

# Year ends on a high note for footballer

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## FOOTBALL

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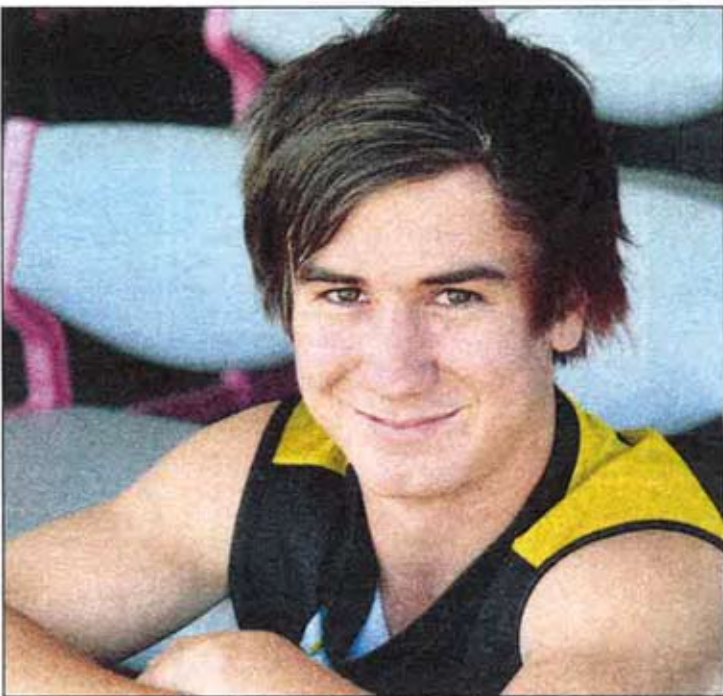
A BUSSELTON footballer is celebrating a successful 2011 after being selected for a State development squad.

South West Academy of Sport student Luke Hutchins has received news he has been named in the WA 16s State Academy's first intake of players.

Designed to develop up-and-coming football players who have the potential to progress into WA Football League senior football and the Australian Football League, the program will have some of WA's brightest young football players participating in special training in Perth.

Luke, a student at Busselton Senior High School, said he was looking forward to being part of the State Academy program.

"I'm pretty excited," the 15-year-old said. "Being part of this



South West Academy of Sport's Luke Hutchins.

program will give me the chance to learn from new coaches and become a better footballer."

SWAS football head coach Jamie Douse congratulated Luke on his early selection into the WA State Academy program.

"We're really rapt for Luke to

have earned early selection in the WA State Academy program – he's a talented young footballer and a great kid," Douse said.

"Luke has earned his selection following outstanding performances at the recent WAFL 15s carnival.