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## PFA Talent Search 2023 To Begin Soon

In its second year, Papua Football Academy (PFA), a football academy for Papuan youths sponsored by PT Freeport Indonesia, is set to scout for new students through the "PFA Talent Search 2023".

During Papua Football Academy's first year, the "PFA Talent Search" was held in 3 locations, namely Timika, Merauke, and Jayapura. 477 aspirants participated in selections, with 30 subsequently passing to become PFA's first batch of students.

In addition to passing the football talent search selections, the 30 students were recruited after undergoing psychological tests, a fingerprinting session, and medical checkups.

In its second year, Papua Football Academy's talent search recruitment will be expanded to cover 7 regencies/ cities in 3 provinces: Papua, Central Papua, and South Papua.

"Why the expansion? Certainly, the goal is to afford more Papuan youths with talent in football the opportunity to take part in selections and become a Papua Football Academy player," PFA Director Wolfgang Pikal stated.

The following is a list of the PFA Talent Search 2023 locations and schedules.

### 1. Timika

**Date:** 13-15 May 2023

**Time:** 14.00-17.30 WIT/ Eastern Indonesia Time

**Venue:** Mimika Sport Complex

### 2. Jayapura

**Date:** 19-21 May 2023

**Time:** 14.00-17.30 WIT/ Eastern Indonesia Time

**Venue:** Mandala Stadium

### 3. Nabire

**Date:** 19-21 May 2023

**Time:** 14.00-17.30 WIT/ Eastern Indonesia Time

**Venue:** Kodim Sapta Marga Nabire Field

### 4. Merauke

**Date:** 23-25 May 2023

**Time:** 14.00-17.30 WIT/ Eastern Indonesia Time

**Venue:** Musamus University Field

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### 5. Waropen

**Date:** 23-25 May 2023

**Time:** 14.00-17.30 WIT/ Eastern Indonesia Time

**Venue:** Budi Utomo Waren Field

### 6. Serui

**Date:** 27-29 May 2023

**Time:** 14.00-17.30 WIT/ Eastern Indonesia Time

**Venue:** Marora Stadium

### 7. Biak Numfor

**Date:** 1-3 June 2023

**Time:** 14.00-17.30 WIT/ Eastern Indonesia Time

**Venue:** Cendrawasih Stadium

"Hopefully, future talent search recruitment for Papua Football Academy students can be expanded further to include more locations across Papua. Youths living outside cities wishing to participate in selections should attend the PFA talent Search event taking place in the venue nearest to their respective location," Wolfgang said.

Those aspiring to take part in the PFA Talent Search 2023 may also go online and fill out a form on the Papua Football Academy website ([www.papuafootballacademy.com](http://www.papuafootballacademy.com)) by clicking on "Pendaftaran Seleksi Akademi" ("Academy Selections Registration") on the upper right side.

60 attendees from the 7 PFA talent Search 2023 venues will be selected to participate in final selections to be held in Jayapura from 18 through 23 June 2023 at Mandala Stadium.

They will undergo further selection in football skills, talent and interests, psychology tests, and medical checkups. Subsequently a final 30 aspirants will be selected to join the first batch of Papua Football Academy students in Mimika Sport Complex, Timika.

The criteria for participating in the PFA Talent Search 2023 are as follows:

1. Male
2. Birth date between 3 January 2010 and 31 December 2010.
3. Papuan native as evidenced with birth in Papua or coming from a Papuan clan or tribe.
4. Vaccinated for Covid twice.
5. In good health and fit physical condition (proof of receiving immunization is a plus)
6. Attending school (with proof in the form of a copy of a school certificate/ report card)
7. Copies of a Child/Minor Identity Card (Kartu Induk Anak), a Birth Certificate, a KK Family Registry Card, and KTP national identity card of a parent.
8. Bringing their own football equipment.

Come support and bring about a successful **#PFACariBakat2023** Talent Search 2023 event towards advancing football and the futures of youths in Papua. "From Papua for Indonesia" – end -

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