



### **Matt Dominguez Donates Football Camp Proceeds to KidSport™**

Nearly 200 high school football athletes in Saskatchewan had the opportunity of a lifetime this spring to learn from the professionals at the 2009 Matt Dominguez Football Camp.

Now, thanks to a generous donation by Matt Dominguez to KidSport™, even more Saskatchewan children will have the opportunity to participate in sport. Dominguez has donated \$4,000 in proceeds from the 2009 Matt Dominguez Football Camps to KidSport™, a children's charity that provides underprivileged children with the opportunity to participate in community sport programming. Through KidSport™, the donation will help children involved in the Regina and Saskatoon Minor football leagues.

For Dominguez, supporting KidSport™ is a worthwhile cause. "I like to help out the kids who don't have the money to play. If I can help just one kid, it's worth it," he says, adding that he has a personal connection with the charity. "Sponsoring KidSport™ is one way for me to give back because, growing up, I was one of the underprivileged

kids.” It was a charity similar to KidSport™ that provided the former CFL star with his start in sports.

Besides sponsoring KidSport™, Dominguez is also giving back by sharing his football expertise with our province’s youth at his annual football camps. He started the two football camps, now in their second year, when he noticed that the province had no high school camps for players of all abilities.

This year’s camps were held April 18-19 in Saskatoon and May 2-3 in Regina, and brought together nearly 200 youth ages 15-17. During the camps, designed for both experienced and new players, the youth were divided into different groups based on their playing positions.

The youth then met with the camp coaches – all current or former CFL players, to learn the fundamentals of their positions. Dominguez led the camp as head coach. Other camp coaches included Saskatchewan Roughriders Marcus Adams, Wes Cates, Jason Clermont, Chris Getzlaf, Gene Makowsky, and Jeremy O’Day. Two Montreal Alouettes also served as coaches in this year’s camps – former Saskatchewan Roughrider Reggie Hunt and University of Saskatchewan product Paul Woldu.

With the success of the past two years, Dominguez wants to continue to hold camps in the future.

“It lots of work, but tons of fun,” he says, adding that his wife Jennifer plays a major role in the camp’s success. She single-handedly manages the camp’s administrative work, follows up on sponsorships, processes registrations, and arranges information for the website.

For more information about the camp, visit [www.mattfootballcamp.com](http://www.mattfootballcamp.com).