

Waukesha Youth Football, Inc.
P.O. Box 4005 Waukesha, Wisconsin 53187-4005

November 1, 2011

Dear parents and Legal Guardians of Prospective WYF Participants:

The Waukesha Youth Football, Inc. ("WYF") is accepting registrations for the 2012 fall football season. WYF is entering its 25th season of offering competitive tackle football to children, who reside within the Waukesha School District, the opportunity to play competitive tackle football. Each High School District will offer 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade tackle football programs. The number of teams in each High School District will depend on registration numbers. The teams will play an eight game schedule on Saturdays in the fall. WYF also offers a cheerleading program for the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades in each of the High School Districts.

WYF supplies all equipment necessary to participate in the football program with the exception of shoes, socks, mouth guard and athletic supporter. Each team carries a maximum of 30 players. Cheerleader uniforms are provided except for shoes. Each program carries a maximum of 20 cheerleaders.

No participant may play or practice once he or she reaches 15 years of age, even if participant turns 15 during the football season. No fees will be refunded for partial seasons played.

A complete physical examination for first year participants by a licensed medical physician is required prior to the start of practice in early August 2012. Participants passing such physical examination and filing a report, signed by a licensed medical physician, with WYF prior to participants practice are eligible for the football program. Football participants practice on an average of 4 days each week. This is a competitive football program that ensures that all boys will play in every game; while taking into account the importance of school, church and family life taking priority over football. Cheerleader participants generally practice about 2-3 times a week. Physical forms are required by August 1st.

Registration is taken on a "first come, first served basis". There are no tryouts. No one will be rejected from the program unless we receive more than 30 participants per team in each High School District. Returning participants will be given priority on the rosters as long as the registration form and appropriate fee are received by WYF prior to February 1, 2012. The registration fee is \$125.00 per Football player and Cheerleader and will be \$150.00 after March 15, 2012. Each participant will be required to participate in the raffle ticket fundraiser. Each individual will be required to sell raffle tickets. A family with a one (1) child in the program will sell \$150 of tickets, those with two (2) children will sell \$ 250 of tickets and those with Three (3) will sell \$ 325. Each Cheerleader will sell \$100.00 of tickets.

There will be an orientation meeting the First week of May 2012. This meeting will enable you to receive answers to any and all questions that you might have. It is required that at least one legal guardian attend this meeting.

You will be notified by mail when and where the meeting will take place.

Please review the attached Registration Form and the Program Stipulations on the reverse side of the Registration Form.

A completed Registration Form signed by a Legal Guardian and the registration fee for each participant may be sent to the address above.

SEE PROGRAM STIPULATIONS

WAUKESHA YOUTH FOOTBALL, INC. ("WYF") PROGRAM STIPULATIONS

- All obligations by the Participant and Legal Guardian(s) must be met before the Participant will be allowed to participate in WYF activities.
They are:
 - Registration fee paid.
 - Fund raising obligations are complete.
 - Passing Physical Examination Report and completed Registration Form are on file with WYF.
- Parental and Legal Guardian participation is required to make this program operate. Please make sure Volunteer Choices were circled on the front of this form.
- Legal Guardians are responsible for gathering information. The officers of WYF are also volunteers and make every effort to get information to the Participants and Legal Guardians. Please help out.
- The Participants are expected to be in attendance at all practices and games. Prior communication with coaches is necessary to excuse absences. We recognize Family, Church and School have priority over football.
- Coaching concerns and complaints are to be directed to the officers of WYF only! Confronting coaches directly will cause the Participant to be released from the program.
- Refunds will not be given after May 15, 2012, except for the following reasons.
 - Family moves from the area.
 - Participant does not pass physical exam.
 - All approved refunds will be processed after September 15, 2012.
- No Participant may be 15 years of age or older. Any Participant reaching the age 15 during the football season will automatically and immediately on the day of their fifteenth birthday become ineligible from further participation in the WYF program.
- All Legal Guardians for a Participant must sign the Registration Form. The Registration Form serves as a Consent and Release Form.
- By signing the registration form, the legal guardian accepts responsibility for primary insurance covering any and all medical bills resulting from football activities. WYF only carries a supplement insurance policy to cover expenses not covered by the primary insurance.

Waukesha Youth Football Code of Conduct

Parents and Players Version

Adopted from US Lacrosse

Players, coaches, officials, parents and spectators are to conduct themselves in a manner that “Honors the Game” and demonstrates respect to other players, coaches, officials, parents and fans. In becoming a member of the football community an individual assumes certain obligations and responsibilities to the game of football and its participants. The essential elements in this “Code of Conduct” are HONESTY and INTEGRITY. Those who conduct themselves in a manner that reflects these elements will bring credit to the sport of football, themselves, their team and their organization. It is only through such conduct that our sport can continue to earn and maintain a positive image and make its full contribution to amateur sports in the United States and around the world. Waukesha Youth Football supports the following behaviors for those who participate in the sport or are involved in any way with Waukesha Youth Football. The following essential elements of the “Code of Conduct” must be followed:

- Sportsmanship and teaching the concepts of fair play are essential to the game and must be taught at all levels and developed both at home and on the field during practices and games.
- The value of good sportsmanship, the concepts of fair play, and the skills of the game should always be placed above winning.
- The safety and welfare of the players are of primary importance.
- Coaches must always be aware of the tremendous influence they have on their players. They are to strive to be positive role models in dealing with young people, as well as adults.
- Coaches should always demonstrate positive behaviors and reinforce them to players, parents, officials and spectators alike. Players should be specifically encouraged and positively reinforced by coaches to demonstrate respect for teammates, opponents, officials and spectators.
- Player should always demonstrate positive behavior and respect toward teammates, opponents, coaches, officials, parents and spectators.
- Coaches, players, parents and spectators are expected to demonstrate the utmost respect for officials and reinforce that respect to players/teammates. Coaches are also expected to educate their players as to the important role of football officials and reinforce the ideal of respect for the official to players/teammates.
- Grievances or misunderstandings between coaches, officials or any other parties involved with the sport should be communicated through the proper channels and procedures, never on or about the field of play in view of spectators or participants.
- Officials are professional and are therefore expected to conduct themselves as such and in a manner that demonstrates total impartiality, courtesy and fairness to all parties.
- Spectators involved with the game must never permit anyone to openly or maliciously criticize badger, harass or threaten an official, coach, player or opponent.
- Coaches must be able to demonstrate a solid knowledge of the rules of football, and should adhere to the rules in both the letter and the spirit of the game.
- Coaches should provide a basic knowledge of the rules to both players and spectators within his/her program. Attempts to manipulate rules in an effort to take unfair advantage of an opponent, or to teach deliberate unsportsmanlike conduct, is considered unacceptable conduct.
- Eligibility requirements, at all levels of the game, must be followed. Rules and requirements such as age, previous level of participation, team transfers, etc, have been established to encourage and maximize participation, fair play and to promote safety.

Player Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

“HONOR THE GAME”