

WHEELER BEARCAT YOUTH FOOTBALL AND CHEER

2022 Season Information

There will be in-person sign-ups but limited dates in April with last effort in May at Equipment Fitting. We are encouraging you to please sign-up via online.

When signing up online please upload the birth certificate of each child participating.

Registration is \$175 per child for football and cheer

Volunteer fee \$25 per child. If you volunteer the fee will be returned to you. For example, for one child if you volunteer for a game at the concession stand the fee will be returned. If you have 2 children participating and volunteer for 2 games in the concession stand the fee will be returned. Volunteer opportunities will be posted for you to sign-up.

Mandatory Fundraiser is \$100 per family (this is considered our sibling discount). For example if you have one football and one cheer you only pay \$100, not \$200. This will be due at time of equipment fitting at which time you will receive the raffle fundraiser. If you sell all the tickets then you receive your \$100 back.

Football age is from 7 to 12, but can not be in 7th grade. Then the teams are 8u, 10u and 12u teams. To determine which level your player is it will be by what age they are October 15, 2022. For example, your child is 8 on first day of practice but turns 9 on September 15th, your child would then play on 10u. If you have concern or further questions on the age requirements please reach out to Kelly Miller, contact information below.

Items Provided for Football

- Helmet, Shoulder Pads, Game Day Pants (These will need to be returned)
- Game Jersey and Game Day Socks (These you keep)

Items Needed for Football

- Practice Jersey, Practice Pants, Football Cleats

First Football Practice will be August 1st at Wheeler High School practice field, west side of school, time TBD, but will not start before 5:30pm. Practice will be 5 days a week, Mon. thru Fri. for the first 2-weeks. Then 10u and 12u will be 3-days and 8u 2-days. These days will be determined by the head coach and announced to the parents prior to the 1st practice.

First game will be Saturday Aug. 27th and each Saturday thereafter with the last game being played on October 15th. There is no game on Labor Day weekend. Yes, there is travel to away games and home games will be played a Wheeler High School main football field.

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First Cheer Practice will be August 1st at the Wheeler High School Field House from 6-7pm only. This will be for the parents and the girls. We will be going over our rules and have our welcome meeting. Practices will be held 3 days a week from 6-7:30. Those days will be determined closer to the first practice date. Cheer holds closed practices.

Items provided for cheer

- Uniform and Poms (These will need to be returned)
- Cold weather uniform (This you keep)
- Bows (These you keep)

Items needed for cheer

- WHITE cheer shoes for games, for practice wear other tennis shoes. No sandals or flip flops.
- Weather appropriate practice clothing
- Towel, or small blanket, for stretching
- Water, or gatorade. No pop. Please bring enough for 1 ½ hour.

** Any questions regarding Cheer, or the requirements, please reach out to Melissa Miller, contact information below.

*** CHEER is ages 5-12. I have determined that there will be 2 teams this year to support the skill levels more appropriately.

Football Questions Contact Kelly Miller – (219) 775-2765 or kellym2765@yahoo.com

Cheer Question Contact Melissa Miller – (219) 613-3468 or melissa.miller1@fnf.com

