



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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## **GENERAL QUESTIONS**

### **Q. Are you required to have Residential eligibility to participate?**

A. No, we are a nonresidential organization. Anyone residing anywhere is eligible to register.

### **Q. When does the Season start?**

A. The season starts with registration February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Practice normally begins in early July. We have free camps available early as March.

### **Q. How long is the season? How long are the games? What are the ages?**

A. The season can extend up to 5 months. (July – November) Football ages are 5 –14 years old. The cheer ages are 4-14 years old. The cutoff date is 8/1 for the current season year.

### **Q. Do you have coed squads? Do you need to try out?**

A. We have coed squads for both football and cheer. Your child will not have to try out. Every athlete is placed on their approved level per bylaw upon registration.

### **Q. Can I coach my child? How long is practice?**

A. Yes, if there is an open position, with approval and proper certification you may coach your child's team. Practice time is two (2) hours throughout the season.

### **Q. What are the days of practice? What if a player misses practice?**

A. Practice in the first month is 4 days a week Monday – Thursday. After Labor Day practice is reduced to 3 days a week Tuesday- Thursday. The practice time is 6pm-8pm throughout the season. Your athlete is allowed to miss one (1) practice per week to be eligible to participate in a up and coming season game or tournament. Please speak with your Team Coach and Team Parent if your athlete misses a practice session.

## FINANCE QUESTIONS

### **Q. Is there fundraising to help with the cost of registration?**

A. Yes, fundraising starts February 1<sup>st</sup> of each season and ends August 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Q. What is Team Fundraising?**

A. Team Fundraising is required and mandatory for each family. Team Fundraising helps with the organizational expenditures. Examples include rental of stadium, referees, team banquet, awards etc. We will provide methods for fundraising, and you have a option to buy out. Please check with our Fundraising Manager.

### **Q. Are there payment plans? Do you give scholarships?**

A. Yes, we have payment plans to assist athletes. If the organization is at a positive financial standing, we will offer scholarships. We offer two (2) scholarships per level per division.

### **Q. Can my company pay for my child?**

A. Yes, your company can pay for registration for your child. Additional they may become a sponsor for the organization which is tax deductible. Please request sponsor packet regarding levels and additional information required.

## FOOTBALL QUESTIONS

### **Q. Is there training separately for my child?**

A. Yes, we provide free training camps early as March each season. We also have in-house Certified Sports and Fitness Instructors we can refer you to.

### **Q. How do I determine what team/level my child will be on?**

A. Per League Bylaws your athlete is placed on a level according to their age. The age cut off for each season is August 1<sup>st</sup> of that current year.

## CHEER QUESTIONS

### **Q. Can I purchase a uniform from past members?**

A. If the style of the current team uniform is used in the up-and-coming season. Obtain approval from the Cheer Director to proceed with purchase.

### **Q. How many camps will my child be required to attend?**

A. Camps may vary each season, but it is usually 2-3 camps/competition. Your athlete may also participate in the local city exhibitions. One (1) mandatory competition and one (1) mandatory camp.