

WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE INC.
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ARTICLE I - NAME & OBJECTIVE

SECTION 1 - NAME:

THE NAME OF THE CONFERENCE WILL BE THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE INC. ABBREVIATED WVJFC, INC.

SECTION 2 - OBJECTIVE:

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE WVJFC, INC. IS TO MAINTAIN A PROGRAM OF SUPERVISED FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING FOR CHILDREN WITH THE FOLLOWING OBJECTIVES:

1. CHARACTER
2. CITIZENSHIP
3. MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH
4. SPORTSMANSHIP

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 – MEMBERS:

THE WVJFC, INC. WILL BE COMPOSED OF TEAMS LOCATED IN THE WYOMING VALLEY AND ITS SURROUNDING AREAS.

SECTION 2 – ADMISSION:

ADMISSION INTO THE WVJFC INC MUST BE, BY AN APPLICATION AND SUBMITTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE BY THE FIRST MONDAY IN MARCH. ADMISSION WILL CONSIST OF A NON-REFUNDABLE MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$300.00 ALONG WITH THEIR APPLICATION. ALL TEAMS JOINING THE CONFERENCE WILL BE COMMITTED TO THE CONFERENCE FOR 3 YEARS.

ANY NEW TEAM SEEKING ADMISSION INTO THE WVJFC, INC. MUST BE ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE ITS ABILITY TO FIELD 2 OF THE 4 TEAMS AND TO FURNISH ITS MEMBERS THE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED AS HEREAFTER SET FORTH IN ARTICLE V SECTION 2 - EQUIPMENT.

ANY NEW TEAM SEEKING ADMISSION TO THE WVJFC, INC. MUST PRESENT CURRENT BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR THEIR OFFICERS, HEAD COACHES AND CHEERLEADER ADVISORS.

ANY TEAM JOINING WVJFC, INC. WILL BE ON PROBATION FOR THEIR FIRST YEAR IN THE CONFERENCE. AFTER THE FIRST YEAR A VOTE OF ALL STANDING FULL MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE WILL BE CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE IF THE NEW TEAM WILL BECOME A FULL MEMBER OF THE CONFERENCE. A 2/3 MAJORITY FAVORABLE VOTE IS REQUIRED FOR A TEAM TO COME OFF PROBATION AND BECOME A FULL MEMBER OF THE CONFERENCE. IF A TEAM DOES NOT RECEIVE THE 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO STAY IN THE CONFERENCE. NO MONIES WILL BE REFUNDED IF A TEAM DOES NOT SUCCESSFULLY PASS THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD.

CONFERENCE OFFICIALS WILL DO A HISTORY/BACKGROUND CHECK ON APPLYING ORGANIZATION TO ENSURE THAT THEY CAN COMPLY WITH CONFERENCE REQUIREMENTS.

SECTION 3 - WITHDRAWAL OF A TEAM:

ANY TEAM REQUESTING TO LEAVE THE CONFERENCE FOR ANY REASON MUST SUBMIT, IN WRITING, A WRITTEN LETTER TO THE CONFERENCE PRESIDENT NO LATER THAN MARCH 1ST. IT MUST ALSO STATE THEIR REASONS FOR LEAVING. THEIR DECISION TO LEAVE WILL BE THE SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY THE CONFERENCE. IN THE EVENT A TEAM REQUESTS TO LEAVE AFTER MARCH 1ST, THE ORGANIZATION MUST PAY THE FOLLOWING FINES:

1. A \$300.00 WITHDRAWAL FEE
2. A \$600.00 FINE EQUATING TO ONE YEAR'S WORTH OF DUES TO THE CONFERENCE
3. A FINE EQUATING TO THE COST OF THE INSURANCE FOR THE TEAM AT THE TIME OF NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL (TO BE DETERMINED BY THE CONFERENCE TREASURER)

SECTION 3A – REMOVAL OF A TEAM:

THERE CAN BE A REMOVAL OF A TEAM WITH A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. IF FOR ANY REASON A TEAM DISOBEYS THE BY-LAWS OF THE CONFERENCE OR IF A TEAM DOES NOT PAY THEIR DUES FOR MORE THAN 2 MONTHS ON THE 3RD MONTH THE BOARD CAN HOLD THAT TEAM ACCOUNTABLE AND WITH A MAJORITY VOTE REMOVE THEM FROM THE WVJFC.

SECTION 4 - EXISTING MEMBERSHIPS:

ALL EXISTING MEMBERS MUST PAY THE ANNUAL ALL-STAR GAME FEE OF \$150.00. FAILURE TO PAY THE ALL STAR DUES WILL RESULT IN A \$10.00 PER MONTH FINE AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY OF APRIL.

SECTION 4A – MONTHLY DUES:

ALL EXISTING MEMBERS MUST PAY THEIR MONTHLY DUES AT THE SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING. AMOUNT DUE IS \$50.00.

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS AND DUTIES

SECTION 1 – GOVERNMENT:

GOVERNMENT OF THE CONFERENCE WILL BE VESTED IN A BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SECTION 2 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WILL CHOOSE THE OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE ANNUALLY. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD EVERY YEAR AT THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

SECTION 3 - MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL BE COMPOSED OF THE PRESIDENT FROM EACH TEAM HOLDING A MEMBERSHIP IN THE CONFERENCE. THE PRESIDENT MAY DESIGNATE AN ALTERNATE BY WRITTEN PROXY TO ACT ON HIS/HER BEHALF AT ANY REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OR SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL ELECT A PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER, AND WILL APPOINT A PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER, HEAD CONFERENCE OFFICIAL AND A COMMISSIONER. EACH OFFICER SHALL HOLD HIS/HER OFFICE FOR 1 YEAR AT WHICH TIME THEY CAN BE RE-ELECTED OR IN THE CASE OF THE COMMISSIONER, PUBLIC RELATIONS AND HEAD CONFERENCE OFFICIAL REAPPOINTED BY VERBAL OR BY SECRET WRITTEN BALLOT. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT PROVISIONS OF THESE BY-LAWS AND THE CONSTITUTION, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL IMPOSE SUCH PENALTIES AND FINES AS PROVIDED HEREAFTER.

ANY MEMBER MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT ANY MONTHLY MEETING.

SECTION 4 – VOTING:

EACH TEAM REPRESENTED IN THE WVJFC, INC SHALL HAVE ONE VOTE. ONLY THE DULY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF EACH ORGANIZATION MAY VOTE ON ANY MOTION BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING OR A SPECIAL MEETING. IF THE ORGANIZATION’S PRESIDENT IS NOT IN ATTENDANCE AT THE MONTHLY OR SPECIAL MEETING, HE/SHE MAY VOTE BY WRITTEN PROXY. IF THE PRESIDENT IS NOT PRESENT AND IF A PROXY IS NOT PRESENT, THE ORGANIZATION MUST ABSTAIN FROM VOTING ON THE MOTION.

SECTION 5 – PRESIDENT:

THE PRESIDENT SHALL CONDUCT ALL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD AND SHALL JOINTLY WITH THE SECRETARY EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS AND SHALL HAVE GENERAL AND ACTIVE MANAGEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE CONFERENCE IN THE EVENT OF A TIE THE PRESIDENT WILL CAST THE DECIDING VOTE FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORGANIZATION.

SECTION 6 - VICE-PRESIDENT:

THE VICE-PRESIDENT SHALL HAVE ALL THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT IN THE ABSENCE OR DISABILITY OF THE PRESIDENT.

SECTION 7 – SECRETARY:

THE SECRETARY SHALL JOINTLY, WITH THE PRESIDENT, EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS AND PERFORM ALL DUTIES AS MAY BE ASSIGNED TO HIM/HER. THE SECRETARY IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING ANY AND ALL ABSENT REPRESENTATIVES WHEN THE BY-LAWS ARE BEING CHANGED, ADDED, OR AMENDED. GAME SCHEDULING WILL BE ARRANGED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE CONFERENCE AND WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE MAY MEETING TO ENSURE FIELDS ARE OBTAINED.

SECTION 8 - TREASURER:

THE TREASURER SHALL HAVE THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF ALL FUNDS OF THE CONFERENCE AND SHALL DEPOSIT THE SAME IN THE NAME OF THE CONFERENCE IN SUCH BANKS AS THE BOARD MAY SELECT. THE TREASURER AND THE PRESIDENT SHALL SIGN ALL CHECKS OF THE CONFERENCE. THE TREASURER SHALL ALSO KEEP THE FINANCIAL RECORDS AND SHALL PERFORM ALL OTHER DUTIES INCIDENTAL TO HIS/HER OFFICE.

SECTION 9 – HEAD CONFERENCE OFFICIAL:

THE HEAD CONFERENCE OFFICIAL OF THE CONFERENCE MUST BE A PIAA REGISTERED FOOTBALL OFFICIAL. HE WILL BE IN CHARGE OF ALL OFFICIALS AND AS SUCH WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GAMES, ASSIGNMENTS AND ACTIONS. HE WILL ACT AS A RULE INTERPRETER FOR THE CONFERENCE. IT WILL BE THE HEAD CONFERENCE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO INFORM THE CONTRACTED PIAA OFFICIALS OF THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE REGARDING BY-LAWS AND RESPONSIBILITIES. (APPOINTED POSITION, APPOINTMENT TO BE MADE AT NOVEMBER MEETING)

SECTION 10 – COMMISSIONER:

COMMISSIONER WOULD ACT AS LIAISON WITH PIAA, RESPONSIBLE FOR ADDRESSING ALL SCHEDULING/POTENTIAL OFFICIATING ISSUES WITH THE HEAD CONFERENCE OFFICIAL. (APPOINTED POSITION, APPOINTMENT TO BE MADE AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING)

SECTION 11– CHEER DIRECTOR:

CHEER DIRECTOR OF THE WVJFC, INC. MUST BE AACCA CERTIFIED. CHEER DIRECTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR COMMUNICATING AND ENFORCING ALL WVJFC CHEER RULES LOCATED IN APPENDIX (C). ALL CHEER ADVISORS OR THEIR PROXIES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ALL CHEER MEETINGS. MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE LAST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH. (ELECTED POSITION, ELECTION TO BE HELD AT JANUARY MEETING BY ORGANIZATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES) .

SECTION 12– PUBLIC RELATIONS:

THE PERSON APPOINTED TO THE PUBLIC RELATIONS POSITION SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVERTISING FOR NEW TEAMS AS REQUESTED BY THE BOARD. THEY ARE ALSO TO OBTAIN ALL SCORES AFTER EACH GAME ON SUNDAY, AND TO KEEP TRACK OF THE STANDINGS OF EACH TEAM IN THE CONFERENCE.

SECTION 13 – RESIGNATION OF AN OFFICER:

A MEMBER OF THE BOARD MAY RESIGN AT ANY TIME BY RENDERING WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF HIS/HER DESIRE TO DO SO TO THE SECRETARY OF THE CONFERENCE. THE RESIGNATION SHALL BE EFFECTIVE AT SUCH TIME AS THE SUCCEEDING MEMBER SHALL BE APPOINTED.

SECTION 14 - REMOVAL OF AN OFFICER:

ANY OFFICER OF THE CONFERENCE MAY BE REMOVED BY THE BOARD WHENEVER THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CONFERENCE SHALL BE SERVED. A MOTION BY THE BOARD AND APPROVAL BY A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD AT A SPECIAL MEETING CAN MAKE THE REMOVAL.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES

SECTION 1 – QUORUM:

AT LEAST ONE OFFICER AND MORE THAN HALF OF THE EXISTING MEMBERS MUST BE PRESENT TO CONSTITUTE A QUORUM AND CONDUCT THE BUSINESS OF THE CONFERENCE.

SECTION 2 - REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS:

THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL MEET ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE CONFERENCE, AND IN THE EVENT THAT SUCH DAY IS A LEGAL HOLIDAY, SUCH MEETING SHALL BE HELD ON THE NEXT SECULAR DAY NOT A LEGAL HOLIDAY OR AT SUCH TIME AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD. MEETINGS HELD DURING THE PLAYING SEASON SHALL BE HELD AT 8:00 PM. MEETINGS SHALL BE ATTENDED BY NO MORE THAN 2 MEMBERS OF EACH TEAM IN ADDITION TO THE TEAMS PRESIDENT. ALL MEETINGS SHALL BE CONDUCTED UNDER ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER.

SECTION 3 - SPECIAL MEETINGS:

SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD MAY BE SCHEDULED BY APPROPRIATE RESOLUTION WITH THE BOARD FIXING THE TIME, PLACE AND DATE OF SUCH MEETING. SPECIAL MEETINGS CAN ONLY BE CALLED BY THE PRESIDENT UPON THE REQUEST OF ANY 2 OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. SUCH MEETINGS MUST BE DULY PUBLICIZED OR NOTED. ALL PRESIDENTS MUST BE NOTIFIED BY THE SECRETARY REGARDING REQUEST.

SECTION 4 – TREASURY AUDIT COMMITTEE:

THE TREASURY AUDIT COMMITTEE WILL CONSIST OF THE OUTGOING TREASURER, THE NEWLY ELECTED TREASURER AND 2 APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AN AUDIT OF ALL WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS MUST BE CONDUCTED EVERY YEAR BY THIS COMMITTEE, WITH THE FINDINGS BEING PRESENTED AT THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED FEBRUARY MEETING. IF A NEW TREASURER HAS NOT BEEN ELECTED, THE TREASURY AUDIT COMMITTEE WILL CONSIST OF THE TREASURER, THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND TWO APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AN AUDIT OF ALL WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS MUST BE CONDUCTED BY THIS COMMITTEE EVERY YEAR, WITH THE FINDINGS BEING PRESENTED AT THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED FEBRUARY MEETING.

SECTION 5 – BY-LAW COMMITTEE:

A BY-LAW COMMITTEE WILL CONSIST OF THE SECRETARY AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. BYLAW CHANGES WILL BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII BYLAW AMENDMENTS. THE BYLAW COMMITTEE WILL MEET EACH YEAR IN JANUARY TO DISCUSS PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES.

SECTION 6 - RULES MEETING:

THE HEAD CONFERENCE OFFICIAL WILL CONDUCT A PIAA RULES MEETING AT AUGUST'S MEETING OR PRIOR TO THE SEASON. ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH ORGANIZATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING; IF AN ORGANIZATION IS NOT REPRESENTED AT THE MEETING A FINE OF \$50 WILL BE LEVIED.

SECTION 7 – ROSTER MEETINGS:

ALL ROSTERS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE CONFERENCE ON THE DESIGNATED DATES AND MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL ROSTER FORMS PROVIDED BY THE WVJFC, INC. EACH TEAM MUST SUBMIT A COPY OF 12U, 10U, 8U & 6U TEAM FOOTBALL ROSTER TO EACH CONFERENCE OFFICER AND TO EACH TEAMS PRESIDENT, AND A COPY OF THEIR 13U, 11U, 9U, & 7U TEAM CHEER ROSTER TO EACH CONFERENCE OFFICER AND CHEER DIRECTOR.

SECTION 7A – PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING:

EACH TEAM MUST SUBMIT STANDARDIZED WVJFC, INC FORMS (APPLICATION SHEET, COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT, AND HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE) TO THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE, INC. AT THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING HELD ON THE MONDAY PRIOR TO THE FIRST REGULAR SEASON GAME.

THE OFFICERS OF THE WVJFC, INC. WILL REVIEW THE ROSTERS TO ENSURE THAT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA IS PRESENTED. EACH EXCEPTION TO THIS CRITERION WILL RESULT IN A \$50.00 FINE. THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR MISSED CRITERIA AT THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING WILL BE \$300.00 PER TEAM.

ALL PRELIMINARY AND FINAL ROSTERS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. APPLICATION SHEET WITH:
2. FIRST AND LAST NAME
3. FULL ADDRESS
4. PHONE NUMBER
5. BIRTH DATE
6. AGE ON AUGUST 1st
7. FOR FOOTBALL THE CURRENT WEIGHT OF THE PARTICIPANT IS REQUIRED
8. PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S) SIGNATURE
9. A COPY OF THE CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE (IMMIGRATION PAPERS AND BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATES ARE ALSO AN ACCEPTABLE FORM OF BIRTH DATE VALIDATION)
10. A PHYSICAL FROM A TEAM PHYSICIAN OR FAMILY PHYSICIAN. (IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED TO USE PROVIDED FORM FROM THE CONFERENCE.) DOCUMENT MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PHYSICIAN AND INDICATE THAT THE CHILD MAY PARTICIPATE IN FOOTBALL OR CHEERLEADING. A RECEIPT INDICATING THAT THE CHILD WAS SEEN BY A PHYSICIAN IS NOT VALID PROOF THAT A PHYSICAL HAS BEEN CONDUCTED.
11. THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE CONSENT TO TREAT FORM SIGNED BY THE PARTICIPANTS PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S).
12. ROSTERS MUST INCLUDE COACHES AND/OR ADVISORS NAMES AND PHONE NUMBERS. ANY COACH AND/OR ADVISOR LISTED ON A ROSTER MUST HAVE A COMPLETED BACKGROUND CHECK, CHILD ABUSE CLEARANCE AND A SIGNED COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT FORM SUBMITTED WITH THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER. BACKGROUND CHECKS AND CHILD ABUSE CLEARANCES ARE VALID FOR 2 YEARS. COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT FORMS IS VALID FOR 1 YEAR. THE ONLY EXCEPTION TO COACH'S OR ADVISOR'S BACKGROUND CHECKS IS IF THE COACH OR ADVISOR IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS FOR COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT FORM. COACHES OR ADVISORS LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST BE SUPERVISED AT ALL TIMES. THEY CANNOT BE LEFT ALONE WITH THE FOOTBALL PLAYERS OR CHEERLEADERS AT ANY TIME (AT PRACTICE OR AT GAMES). COPIES OF CHEERLEADER ROSTERS FOR PRELIMINARY AND FINAL ROSTER MEETINGS ONLY NEED TO BE GIVEN TO THE CONFERENCE OFFICERS.
13. IT IS MANDATORY THAT EACH COACH MUST COMPLETE THE HEADS-UP CONCUSSION AWARENESS COURSE PROVIDED BY USAFOOTBALL.COM
14. INITIAL PHYSICALS CAN BE SIGNED BY A PA, DO, MD OR CRNP. RELEASEES TO RETURN TO PLAY OR CHEER DUE TO A SUSTAINED INJURY DURING THE SEASON MUST BE SIGNED BY A MD OR A DO.

PRELIMINARY ROSTERS MAY BE IN ALPHABETICAL OR NUMERICAL ORDER AS LONG AS ALL CORRESPONDING PAPERWORK IS IN THE SAME ORDER (ALPHABETICAL OR NUMERICAL).

ALL PRELIMINARY ROSTERS MUST BE TITLED "PRELIMINARY ROSTER".

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ALL OF THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION FOR A FOOTBALL PLAYER, CHEERLEADER OR A COACH, THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE UNTIL ALL PROPER DOCUMENTATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND ALL FINES ARE PAID IN FULL.

IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT EACH COACH/ADVISOR HAS A BADGE, THE NAMES OF THE COACHES/ADVISORS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING. A CORRESPONDING NUMBER OF BADGES, PLUS 3 BADGES FOR THE CHAIN CREW AND 2 PHOTOGRAPHER BADGES, WILL BE GIVEN TO EACH ORGANIZATION AT THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING.

JERSEY NUMBERS ARE NOT REQUIRED AT THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING; HOWEVER, A ROSTER WITH ROSTER NUMBERS IN NUMERICAL ORDER MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE LEAGUE OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF THE FIRST GAME. FAILURE TO PROVIDE A ROSTER WITH JERSEY NUMBERS PRIOR TO THE FIRST GAME WILL RESULT IN \$50.00 FINE PER ROSTER. THIS CHARGE IS ABOVE AND BEYOND THE \$300.00 MAXIMUM FINE FOR PRELIMINARY ROSTERS.

SECTION 7B - FINAL ROSTERS:

THE FINAL ROSTER MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE LAST MONDAY IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST.

THE OFFICERS OF THE WJFC INC. WILL REVIEW THE FINAL ROSTERS TO ENSURE THAT ANY FOOTBALL PLAYERS, CHEERLEADERS AND COACHES THAT HAVE SIGNED UP SINCE THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING AND/OR THOSE THAT DID NOT HAVE VALID PAPERWORK AT THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING HAVE VALID PAPERWORK. IF ANY PARTICIPANT HAS INVALID OR MISSING PAPERWORK, AT THE FINAL ROSTER MEETING (HE/SHE) WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE OR COACH FOOTBALL OR CHEER.

ALL FINAL ROSTERS MUST BE IN NUMERICAL ORDER FOR FOOTBALL AND IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER FOR CHEERLEADERS.

ALL FINAL ROSTERS MUST BE TITLED "FINAL ROSTER".

ARTICLE V - FOOTBALL PLAYERS, COACHES, CHEERLEADERS, ADVISORS AND INSTRUCTORS

SECTION I - PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE THE FOLLOWING AGE ON AUGUST 1st:

- A. CLASS 12U DIVISION – AGES 11 & 12 WITH AN UNLIMITED WEIGHT. (140LB MAX FOR SKILLED POSITIONS)
- B. CLASS 10U DIVISION – AGES 9 & 10 WITH AN UNLIMITED WEIGHT. (125LB MAX FOR SKILLED POSITION IN THAT DIVISION)
- C. CLASS 8U DIVISION – AGES 7 & 8 WITH AN UNLIMITED WEIGHT. (100LB MAX FOR SKILLED POSITION IN THAT DIVISION)
- D. CLASS 6U DIVISION – AGES 5 & 6 WITH AN UNLIMITED WEIGHT. (75LB MAX FOR SKILLED POSITION FOR THAT DIVISION)
- E. ALL AGES ARE TO BE BASED ON AND AUGUST 1ST BIRTHDAY.
- F. EXCEPTIONS TO THE AGE REQUIREMENTS TO BE MADE BY THE BOARD>

ALL DIVISIONS CAN ROSTER UP TO THE NEXT LEVEL IF NEED TO FIELD A TEAM.

PLAYERS MUST WEIGH IN WITH THEIR JERSEY ON AND A FORM OF AN UNDERGARMENT (UNDERWEAR /BOXERS)

THE ORGANIZATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS; DALLAS, FREELAND, KINGSTON, LAKE LEHMAN, MOUNTAINTOP, NANTICOKE, PLAINS, POCONO, POCONO MOUNTAIN, WILKES-BARRE WOLVERINES, AND VALLEY.

NO PLAYER OR CHEERLEADER CAN START PRACTICE WITHOUT A PHYSICAL FORM AS OUTLINED IN ARTICLE IV, SECTION 7A.

IF A PLAYER, CHEERLEADER, ADVISOR OR COACH IS EJECTED FROM A GAME, THE HOME TEAM MUST REPORT THE INCIDENT TO THE WVJFC INC. WHEN THEY REPORT THE SCORES OF THE GAMES PLAYED ON THAT DAY.

THE FORFEITURE OF A GAME AND/OR A BYE CANNOT BE USED BY A PLAYER, CHEERLEADER, ADVISOR OR COACH TO SERVE FOR A 2 WEEK SUSPENSION. A SUSPENDED PLAYER, CHEERLEADER, ADVISOR OR COACH CAN ONLY SERVE THEIR SUSPENSION WHEN THEIR RESPECTIVE TEAM PLAYS WVJFC SCHEDULED GAMES.

ANY PLAYER, CHEERLEADER, ADVISOR OR COACH EJECTED FROM A GAME MORE THAN ONE TIME DURING THE SEASON MUST HAVE HIS RETURN TO ELIGIBILITY DETERMINED AT A REGULAR MEETING, OR IF NECESSARY, A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WVJFC INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 2 - EQUIPMENT:

PLAYING EQUIPMENT FOR EACH PLAYER MUST CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING. IF NOT STATED BELOW PIAA RULES TAKE PRECEDENT:

1. CURRENTLY CERTIFIED HELMET WITH FACE MASK
2. SHOULDER PADS
3. PADDED FOOTBALL PANTS
4. GIRDLE WITH SPINE AND HIP PADS
5. GAME JERSEYS WITH NUMBERS FRONT AND BACK
6. CANVAS TOP SNEAKERS OR LEATHER SHOES WITH MOLDED RUBBER CLEATS
7. MOUTH PIECES
8. VISORS ACCORDING TO A DOCTOR'S SPECIFICATIONS

SECTION 3- INELIGIBILITY OF A PLAYER:

NO PLAYER CAN COMPETE IN THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE IF THEY ARE ASSOCIATED WITH ANY OTHER ORGANIZED FOOTBALL TEAM IN THE CURRENT YEAR OR ROSTERED WITH ANY OTHER ORGANIZED FOOTBALL TEAM IN THE CURRENT YEAR.

SECTION 4 - BOUNDARIES:

ACTIVE RECRUITING IS PROHIBITED

A CHILD MUST RESIDE IN THE AREA WHICH HE/SHE REPRESENTS. IF A BOY OR GIRL PLAYED WITH A TEAM PRIOR TO CHANGING THEIR ADDRESS HE/SHE MAY COMPLETE THEIR ELIGIBILITY WITHIN SAID DIVISION ONLY. (THIS APPLIES TO THOSE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY ON A TEAM ROSTER.) A CHILD CANNOT PLAY OUTSIDE OF THEIR BOUNDARIES WITHOUT BOARD APPROVAL.

SECTION 5 - COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES, ADVISERS, AND INSTRUCTORS:

COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES, ADVISORS AND INSTRUCTORS SHOULD BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE. A COACH, ASSISTANT COACH, ADVISOR OR INSTRUCTOR MAY BE UNDER THE AGE OF 18; HOWEVER, THEY MUST BE SUPERVISED BY A COACH OR ADVISOR OVER THE AGE OF 18 AT ALL TIMES. COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES, ADVISORS, OR INSTRUCTORS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 MAY NEVER BE LEFT ALONE WITH THE SQUAD OR FOOTBALL TEAM. COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES, ADVISORS, OR INSTRUCTORS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 ARE COVERED BY THE LEAGUE INSURANCE.

SECTION 6 - BACKGROUND CHECKS:

MANDATORY BACKGROUND CHECKS MUST BE DONE FOR ALL OF THE COACHES, ASSISTANTS COACHES, ADVISORS, AND INSTRUCTORS ON THE TEAM ROSTERS. ALSO, A MANDATORY BACKGROUND CHECK MUST BE DONE ON ALL ASSOCIATION AND CONFERENCE OFFICERS. THIS RULE DOES NOT APPLY TO COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES, ADVISORS, OR INSTRUCTORS UNDER THE AGE OF 18. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THIS BY-LAW MAY RESULT IN A \$500.00 FINE, SUSPENSION AND/OR PROBATION FOR THE TEAM. IF A TEAM IS FOUND TO VIOLATE THIS BY-LAW AN OFFICER OF THE LEAGUE WILL BE ASSIGNED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE OFFENDING TEAMS. BACKGROUND CHECKS MUST BE COMPLETED EVERY 2 YEARS FOR RETURNING COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES, ADVISORS OR INSTRUCTORS ON THE TEAM ROSTERS.

SEE APPENDIX A FOR THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE'S GUIDELINES FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS. ALL TEAMS MUST USE THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE WEBSITE <https://epatch.state.pa.us> AND <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home>

SECTION 7 –BADGES:

ALL COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES, ADVISORS INSTRUCTORS MUST WEAR LEAGUE PROVIDED ID BADGES DURING GAMES. THE LEAGUE WILL ALSO PROVIDE 3 CHAIN CREW BADGES AND 2 PHOTOGRAPHER BADGES. NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE FIELD. A \$50.00 FINE PER PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE LEVIED AND THE COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES, ADVISORS, AND INSTRUCTORS MUST EITHER LEAVE THE FIELD OR OBTAIN A BADGE. FAILURE TO LEAVE THE FIELD OR OBTAIN A BADGE WILL RESULT IN THE FORFEITURE OF THAT GAME. ADDITIONAL BADGES CAN BE ISSUED WITHIN AN ORGANIZATION: ALL BACKGROUND CHECKS ARE REQUIRED, AND MUST BE APPROVED BY THE WVJFC BOARD MEMBERS. CONFERENCE WILL PROVIDE BADGES TO EACH ORGANIZATION BY THE PRELIMINARY ROSTER MEETING.

ARTICLE VI - INSURANCE AND FINANCES

SECTION 1 – INSURANCE:

ALL ORGANIZATIONS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE INSURANCE FOR ALL OF THEIR RESPECTIVE TEAMS IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WVJFC, INC. FIELD AND PLAYER ELIGIBILITY ARE COVERED IN A GROUP POLICY PURCHASED BY THE CONFERENCE AND PAID FOR ON AN EQUAL BASIS BY EACH TEAM IN THE CONFERENCE.

ALL ORGANIZATIONS ARE REQUIRED TO INFORM THE CONFERENCE WITHIN 48 HOURS OF ANY ACCIDENT OR INJURY INCURRED DURING PRACTICE OR A GAME. THIS PROCEDURE DISTRIBUTED BY THE CONFERENCES INSURANCE CARRIER MUST BE ADHERED TO. VIOLATION OF THIS BY-LAW MAY RESULT IN A \$50 FINE.

SECTION 2 - PLAYOFFS AND SUPER BOWL:

ALL MONIES EARNED FROM THE GATE, CONCESSIONS, 50/50, ETC. AT THE PLAYOFFS AND/OR SUPERBOWL IS THE PROPERTY OF THE HOST TEAM. THE HOST TEAM WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PLAYING OF THESE GAMES, EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS: THE LEAGUE WILL PROVIDE THE TROPHIES AND MEDALS FOR THE PLAYOFFS AND SUPER BOWL. ALSO, THE LEAGUE WILL DO FUNDRAISING TO COVER THE COST OF THE 4 PIAA OFFICIALS FOR THE PLAYOFFS AND SUPERBOWL. EXAMPLE ONE BIG FOUR LOTTERY TICKET AT NO MORE THAN \$5 PER PARTICIPANT, BOTH FOOTBALL AND CHEER. TO BE DETERMINED BY THE WVJFC EXECUTIVE BOARD PRIOR TO THE JUNE MEETING.

ARTICLE VII - PLAYING RULES AND OFFICIALS

SECTION 1 - GUIDELINES:

ALL GAMES WILL BE PLAYED AND SCORED BY THE RULES DOCUMENTED IN THE PIAA RULE BOOK IN AFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE GAME

SECTION 2 – EXCEPTIONS TO PIAA RULES:

- (A) FREE SUBSTITUTION SHALL BE ALLOWED
- (B) THREE TIMEOUTS PER HALF OF ONE MINUTE EACH
- (C) 12U, 10U AND TEAMS SHALL CONSIST OF FOUR QUARTERS OF 8 MINUTES OF PLAYING TIME.
- (D) 6U TEAMS SHALL PLAY 2 – 20 MINUTE HALVES WITH A RUNNING CLOCK.
- (E) HALF TIME SHALL BE 8 MINUTES
- (F) WEIGH-INS WILL BE CONDUCTED AS FOLLOWS:

OFFICIAL WEIGH-INS MUST TAKE PLACE AS DEFINED IN THE BY-LAWS. SEE ARTICLE XII.

- (G) THE OFFICIAL OPENING FOR FOOTBALL PRACTICE IN THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE WILL BE THE SECOND MONDAY OF JULY. THE FIRST WEEK OF PRACTICE IS FOR CONDITIONING PURPOSES ONLY - NO CONTACT IS PERMITTED. EQUIPMENT USED/WORN DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF PRACTICE IS LIMITED TO HELMETS, SHOULDER PADS, SHORTS, MOUTH PIECES AND SPIKES, FULL CONTACT PRACTICES MAY BEGIN ONE WEEK LATER. ANYONE ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONFERENCE FOUND TO HAVE VIOLATED THIS BY-LAW WILL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF \$200.00 AND PENALTIES AS DETERMINED BY THE CONFERENCE BOARD OFFICERS.

TEAMS ARE ALLOWED 1 PRACTICE PER DAY. PRACTICE CAN TAKE PLACE ANY DAY OF THE WEEK (7 PRACTICES PER WEEK IS THE MAXIMUM).

TEAMS MAY BE GIVEN NOTIFICATION TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM A GIVEN SCHEDULED PRACTICE FOR ANY GIVEN DAY DUE TO HEAT, HUMIDITY AND OTHER UNFORESEEN WEATHER CONDITIONS. THIS APPLIES NOT ONLY TO PLAYERS BUT CHEERLEADERS AS WELL. ANY TEAM WHO PRACTICES WHEN NOTIFIED NOT TO, WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$250 FINE, PLUS A \$50 FINE FOR EACH COACH OR ADVISOR INVOLVED. HEAT INDEX IS NOT TO EXCEED 90 AT TIME OF PRACTICE.

- (H) CHEERLEADERS MAY PRACTICE AS OF JULY 1ST.

TEAMS MAY BE GIVEN NOTIFICATION TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM A GIVEN SCHEDULED PRACTICE FOR ANY GIVEN DAY DUE TO HEAT, HUMIDITY, AND OTHER UNFORESEEN WEATHER CONDITIONS. THIS APPLIES NOT ONLY TO PLAYERS BUT CHEERLEADERS AS WELL. ANY TEAM WHO PRACTICES WHEN NOTIFIED NOT TO, WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$250 FINE, PLUS A \$50 FINE FOR EACH COACH OR ADVISOR INVOLVED. TEAMS MAY PRACTICE INDOORS WHEN WEATHER CONDITIONS WILL NOT ALLOW OUTDOOR PRACTICE.

- (I) DURING THE REGULAR SEASON THE ORDER OF THE GAMES MAY BE CHANGED UPON THE AGREEMENT OF THE 2 TEAMS INVOLVED. NO CHANGES CAN BE MADE WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE OFFICERS. THE SECRETARY OF THE CONFERENCE MUST BE MADE AWARE PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULE CHANGE.
- (J) ALL CHEERLEADERS MUST ABIDE BY THE AACCA /WVJFC INC. CHEERLEADING SAFETY GUIDELINES.

- (K) PRE-GAME SHOW WILL ONLY BE PERFORMED BY THE HOME TEAM AND THE HALFTIME SHOW WILL BE PERFORMED BY THE AWAY TEAM. THIS CAN ONLY BE CHANGED IF BOTH TEAMS AGREE UPON IT (EXAMPLE HOMECOMING).

SECTION 3 –DIVISION SPECIFIC REGULAR SEASON RULES:

(A) 12U DIVISION

1. THERE WILL BE NO COACHES ON THE FIELD FOR EITHER 12U TEAM AT ANY TIME AS THEY ARE OFFICIATED BY PIAA OFFICIALS.

(B) 10U DIVISION

1. THERE WILL BE 1 COACH ON THE FIELD FOR EACH 10U TEAM AT ALL TIMES AS THEY ARE OFFICIATED BY PIAA OFFICIALS. COACHES MUST BE 15 YARDS FROM THE LINE OF SCRIMMAGE AND STOP COACHING AFTER THE HUDDLE BREAKS.

(C) 8U DIVISION

1. 8U DIVISION KICKING RULE:

THE TEAM WITH THE BALL MUST DECLARE IF THEY ARE GOING TO PUNT OR KICK A FIELD GOAL OR EXTRA POINT. IF SUCH DECLARATION IS MADE; RUSHING THE KICKER IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

2. THERE WILL BE 2 COACHES ON THE FIELD FOR EACH 8U TEAM AT ALL TIMES AS THEY ARE OFFICIATED BY PIAA OFFICIALS.

3. 8U DIVISION 24 POINT RULE:

- a) WHEN AN 8U DIVISION TEAM HAS 24 POINTS OR GREATER LEAD, THE STARTING BACKFIELD MUST BE REPLACED.
- b) THE STARTING BACKFIELD MAY STAY IN THE GAME AT NON-SKILLED POSITIONS (OFFENSIVE CENTER, GUARD OR TACKLE) AND/OR ANYWHERE ON DEFENSE.
- c) IF NECESSARY, DUE TO INJURY OR LACK OF A SECOND-STRING QUARTERBACKS, THE STARTING QUARTERBACK MAY CONTINUE TO PLAY QUARTERBACK; BUT HE MUST HAND THE BALL OFF. HE CANNOT RUN WITH THE BALL OR THROW A FORWARD PASS.
- d) IF/WHEN THE LEAD BECOMES LESS THAN 24 POINTS THE STARTING BACKFIELD MAY RETURN TO THEIR SKILL POSITIONS.
- e) 8U WILL HAVE A 45 SECOND PLAY CLOCK.

(D) 6U DIVISION

1. 6U GAMES WILL NOT KEEP SCORE.
2. 6U DIVISION KICKING RULE:

THE TEAM WITH THE BALL MUST DECLARE IF THEY ARE GOING TO PUNT OR KICK A FIELD GOAL OR EXTRA POINT. IF SUCH DECLARATION IS MADE; RUSHING THE KICKER IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

3. THERE WILL BE 2 COACHES ON THE FIELD FOR EACH 6U TEAM AT ALL TIMES AS THEY ARE OFFICIATED BY PIAA OFFICIALS.

4. 6U TEAM PARTICIPATION RULE:

CONFERENCE MANDATE THAT EVERY CHILD PLAYS EQUAL PLAYING TIME DURING THE REGULAR SEASON. IT WILL BE THE ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBLE TO MANAGE PLAYERS AND PLAY TIME. FAILURE TO FOLLOW CONFERENCE MANDATE WILL RESULT IN POTENTIAL FINES, SUSPENSIONS AND/OR FORFEITE.

THE 6U TEAM MUST ADHERE TO ALL LEAGUE AND/OR 10U TEAM RULES WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONS, EXCEPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS.

1. INAPPROPRIATE, ILLEGAL, AND/OR SUBVERSIVE ACTIONS AND OR VIOLATIONS OF PIAA RULES ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED. PENALTIES WILL INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO FINES AND/OR SUSPENSIONS FOR ALL PARTIES INVOLVED. ALL GAMES WILL BE MONITORED BY LEAGUE OFFICIALS.
2. THESE RULES MUST BE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL 6U TEAM PARENTS OR GUARDIANS. IF FAN(S) BECOME(S) UNRULY OR DISRUPTIVE DURING A 7U TEAM GAME THE GAME WILL BE STOPPED UNTIL THE FAN(S) CALM DOWN. IF THE FAN(S) DOES NOT CALM DOWN THE LEAGUE OFFICIAL HAS THE AUTHORITY TO TERMINATE THE GAME.
3. EVERY PLAYER MUST BE WEIGHED-IN PER THE WEIGH IN BY-LAWS.
4. 6U TEAM GAMES WILL BEGIN AT 11:15AM.
5. AFTER A COIN TOSS; THE BALL WILL BE PLACED ON THE 50 YARD LINE FOR 6U ONLY.
6. NO PLAYER SHALL LINE UP OVER CENTER. DEFENSIVE LINEMAN MUST LINE UP HEAD UP ON THE GUARD OR BEYOND. DEFENSIVE LINEBACKER (MIDDLE) MUST BE 3 YARDS OFF THE LINE UPON SNAP OF THE BALL.

THERE WILL BE A 45 SECOND PLAY CLOCK FOR 6U AND 8U. ALL OTHER DIVISIONS WILL HAVE A 25 SECOND PLAY CLOCK.

SECTION 4 - FINES AND INFRACTIONS:

1. IF AN ORGANIZATION HAS A ROSTERED 12U-10U-8U-6U- DIVISION AND FAILS TO FIELD A ROSTERED TEAM OF 11 PLAYERS FOR A SCHEDULED GAME THE GAME WILL BE FORFITED. PLAY CAN CONTINUE WITH LESS THAN AN 11 PERSON TEAM BUT WILL BE COUNTED AS A FORFIT. THE SPIRIT OF COMPETING MUST BE MAINTAINED. ANY ILL INTENT TO NOT COMPETE OR ROSTER A TEAM WILL BE DELT WITH BY THE BOARD WITH DISIPLINARY UP TO OR INCLUDING SUSPENSION AND FINES.
2. ALL GAMES WILL BE FORFEITED UNTIL ALL FINES AND COSTS ARE PAID. ALL FINES AND COSTS MUST BE PAID AT LEAST 48 HOURS PRIOR TO GAME TIME.

3. AT ALL CONFERENCE TEAMS EVENTS, NOT MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR VOLUNTEERS WILL BE FINED \$50.00
4. IF A TEAM IS NOT REPRESENTED AT EITHER A MONTHLY MEETING OR A SPECIAL MEETING THAT TEAM WILL PAY A \$50.00 FINE PER INFRACTION
5. EXCEPTIONS MAY BE GRANTED UPON THE VOTE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
6. A FINE OF \$50.00 AND A FORFEITURE OF ALL GAMES WILL BE LEVIED AGAINST ANY HOME TEAM NOT REPORTING GAME SCORES WITH IN 48 HOURS OF THE GAME.

SECTION 5 - OFFICIALS:

A PROTEST AGAINST AN OFFICIAL CANNOT BE MADE BY ANY TEAM MEMBER FOR A JUDGMENT CALL MADE BY AN OFFICIAL.

ONLY AFTER A GAME THERE CAN BE A DISCUSSION BROUGHT IN FRONT OF THE WVJFC BOARD IF SOMEONE FEELS THERE IS A DISCREPANCY IN THE OFFICIALS CALL.

ARTICLE VIII - BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

ALL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE CONFERENCE AT THREE (3) OFFICIAL MEETINGS TO PERMIT DISCUSSION. AFTER THE THIRD PRESENTATION THE FINAL PROPOSAL WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE CONFERENCE AND 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE IS REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL. FROM TIME TO TIME EVENTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES MAY ARISE WHICH WOULD REQUIRE AN IMMEDIATE DISCUSSION. EACH EVENT OR CIRCUMSTANCE WILL BE WEIGHED ON ITS OWN MERITS. A ROLL CALL OF EACH TEAM PRESENT OR NOT MUST BE TAKEN TO MAKE THE DECISION (THE SECRETARY MUST CALL THE ABSENT TEAMS/OR TEAM). ALL DECISIONS MADE MUST BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CONFERENCE. VOTES MUST BE THE MAJORITY RULES. IN CASE OF A TIE THE PRESIDENT WILL MAKE THE TIE BREAKING DECISION. ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL.

ALL WVJFC, INC. MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS BY-LAWS MUST STATE THAT THE WVJFC, INC. BY-LAWS TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY MEMBER ORGANIZATION'S BY-LAWS. THE ONLY EXCEPTION TO THIS BY-LAW IS IF A MEMBER ORGANIZATION'S BY-LAWS ARE MORE STRINGENT THAN THE WVJFC, INC. BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE IX - SCRIMMAGES AND NON-CONFERENCE GAMES

SECTION 1 - SCRIMMAGES:

NO TEAM IN THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE MAY SCRIMMAGE ANY OTHER TEAM THAT IS ON ITS PLAYING SCHEDULE UNTIL AFTER THAT GAME HAS BEEN PLAYED. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS RULE WILL AUTOMATICALLY RESULT IN FINING THE TEAM OR TEAMS INVOLVED \$100.00 EACH.

SECTION 2 - NON-CONFERENCE GAMES:

NON-CONFERENCE GAMES WILL BE PLAYED AS OUTLINED ON THE LEAGUE'S SCHEDULE AND WILL HAVE NO BEARING OR AFFECT ON THE STANDINGS OF THE CONFERENCE. PRIOR TO THE START OF THE REGULAR SEASON AND DURING REGULAR SEASON TEAMS MAY SCRIMMAGE OTHER TEAMS, OTHER THAN THOSE IN THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE. NON-CONFERENCE GAMES WILL BE PLAYED AS A SCRIMMAGE ONLY. THESE GAMES WILL BE COVERED UNDER THE INSURANCE FOR THE SEASON AND THE

OPPOSING TEAMS MUST SHOW THEIR PROOF OF INSURANCE FOR THE PLAYING OF THESE GAMES.

ARTICLE X - HOME TEAM RESPONSIBILITIES

SECTION 1 - CHECK LIST:

PIAA OFFICIALS TO BE PAID PER GAME AT A RATE OF \$50.00 PER OFFICIAL FOR 12U-10U-8U GAMES. PIAA OFFICIALS ARE TO BE PAID PER GAME AT A RATE OF \$45.00 PER OFFICIAL FOR THE 6U GAME. THIS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE YEARLY DEPENDENT ON THE PIAA RATES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON.

A MINIMUM PLAYING FIELDS OF 100 YARDS WITH PROPER VISIBLE MARKINGS ON THE FIELD AS FOLLOWS:

1. MINIMUM GOAL POSTS OF 18' AT EACH END OF THE FIELD
2. EVERY 5 YARDS MARKED WITH HASH MARKS
3. GOAL LINES AND END ZONES
4. TEAM BOX MARKED OFF WITH HASH MARKS
5. FIELD TO HAVE CONSTRUCTION FENCE INSTALLED FROM END ZONE TO END ZONE. IF NOT PLAYED IN A STADIUM
6. FIRST AID KIT AND WATER SUPPLY
7. LEATHER OR COMPOSITE BALLS ANY BRAND THAT IS COMPARABLE AND MARKED AS:
 - 12U TEAM - TDY
 - 10U TEAM - TDJ
 - 8U TEAM - K2
 - 6U TEAM - K2

THE HOME TEAM WILL SUPPLY THE FOOTBALLS FOR THE GAME. IF THE VISITING TEAM CHOOSES TO USE THESE BALLS, THEY MAY DO SO. IF NOT, THEY CAN USE THEIR OWN FOOTBALL: HOWEVER. IF THE TEAMS DO NOT SWITCH THE BALLS AFTER EACH POSSESSION THERE IS NO PROTEST THAT CAN BE LEVIED AGAINST THE GAME.

8. TEN YARD CHAINS WITH DOWN MARKERS OPERATED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULTS
9. A FUNCTIONING CLOCK THAT IS BEING OPERATED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT
10. BENCHES FOR THE PLAYERS
11. HOME TEAM HAS THEIR CHOICE OF SIDELINES
12. AN AMBULANCE IS REQUIRED AT EVERY GAME AND CHEER COMPETITION-SEE ARTICLE X, SECTION 3, BELOW.
13. MODIFICATIONS TO THESE RULES MUST BE BROUGHT UP AT A LEAGUE MEETING AND DISCUSSED AND VOTED ON.
14. THE LEAGUE OFFICIAL WHO HAS 'WEIGH-IN' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE GAME IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING IF THE FIELD IS IN PLAYABLE CONDITION. HIS/HER DECISION REGARDING THE CONDITION OF THE FIELD IS FINAL. IF THERE IS INCLEMENT WEATHER WITHIN 48 HOURS OF A SCHEDULED GAME, THE HOSTING TEAM MUST NOTIFY THE LEAGUE OFFICIAL WHO WILL BE ATTENDING THE GAME TO VIEW THE FIELD AS TO ITS CONDITION AND PLAYABILITY. A DECISION MAY BE MADE AT THAT TIME BY THE LEAGUE OFFICIAL TO RESCHEDULE THE GAME TO A LATER DATE.
15. CHAIN ATTENDANTS MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
16. THE LEAUGE OFFICIAL WILL ENSURE ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE WVJFC BY-LAWS ARE MET.

SECTION 2 - POSTPONEMENTS:

POSTPONED GAMES WILL BE RESCHEDULED BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE (2) TWO TEAMS. THE CONFERENCE OFFICERS AND PRESIDENT MUST BE NOTIFIED.

SECTION 3- AMBULANCES:

AN AMBULANCE MUST BE PRESENT AT ALL GAMES & CHEER COMPETITIONS, THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS. IF FOR ANY REASON AN AMBULANCE MUST LEAVE THE GAME, THEN QUALIFIED EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL (E.G. EMT – PARAMEDIC –PHRN) MUST BE PRESENT AT THE GAME. SHOULD AN AMBULANCE LEAVE A GAME DURING PLAY THE GAME MUST STOP UNTIL EITHER AN AMBULANCE ARRIVES FOR STANDBY OR A QUALIFIED EMERGENCY MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL IS ONSITE TO PROVIDE SUPERVISION FOR EMERGENCY/ROUTINE INJURIES.

ARTICLE XI - PROTESTS AND PENALTIES

SECTION 1- BASIS FOR A PROTEST:

1. ALL TEAMS MUST SHOW UP FOR THE GAME WITH A MINIMUM OF 11 PLAYERS IN FULL EQUIPMENT POSSIBLE PENALTIES. (FORFEIT - SCORE 2-0)
2. USE OF AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER OR PLAYERS AT ANY TIME POSSIBLE PENALTIES. FORFEIT - SCORE 2-0; FINE AND/OR REMOVAL, SUSPENSION OF COACH AND IMMEDIATE REMOVAL OF THE INELIGIBLE PLAYER.
3. TEAM PERSONNEL WHO MAY CAUSE FIGHTING AMONG THEMSELVES, OPPONENTS, OR OTHERWISE ABUSE OFFICIALS OR CONFERENCE OFFICERS. POSSIBLE PENALTIES. FINE AND/OR REMOVAL, SUSPENSION OF COACH(S), ADVISOR(S), SPECTATOR(S) AND/OR PLAYER(S) INVOLVED.
4. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY ARTICLE DEFINED AND DESCRIBED IN THESE BY-LAWS POSSIBLE PENALTIES. FORFEIT - SCORE 2-0; FINE AND/OR REMOVAL, SUSPENSION OF TEAM OFFICER(S), COACH(S), ADVISOR(S) AND PLAYER(S).
5. OFFICIAL PROTEST MUST BE MADE WITHIN 24 HOURS OF END OF GAME OR BY 5PM THE NEXT DAY.

ARTICLE XII - WEIGH IN RULES

1. THE CONFERENCE WILL SCHEDULE A WEIGH IN PRE-SEASON. OVERSIGHT SHALL OCCUR FROM A “WEIGHT COMMITTEE”. THE WEIGHT COMMITTEE WILL CONSIST OF A MINIMUM OF 4 MEMBERS INCLUDING CONFERENCE OFFICIALS AND ORGANIZATION PRESIDENTS. THE WEIGHT COMMITTEE WILL BE FORMED PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED WEIGH IN DURING PRE-SEASON.
2. ALL PLAYERS WILL BE WEIGHED IN PRE-SEASON. SHOULD A PLAYER BE ABSENT FROM A WEIGH IN THAT PLAYER WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN PRIOR TO THE FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON.
3. ALL RESULTS OF THE WEIGH IN WILL BE ANNOTATED ON THE ORGANIZATION’S PLAYER ROSTER. ALL WEIGH IN RESULTS WILL BE SENT TO THE CONFERENCE SECRETARY BY EMAIL OR TEXT FOR PLACEMENT ON THE ORGANIZATIONAL ROSTERS TO ENSURE BASELINE DOCUMENTATION.
4. ONCE A PLAYER IS WEIGHTED IN, THAT PLAYER IS DEEMED ELIGIBLE FOR PLAY FOR THE ENTIRE SEASON INCLUDING SUPER/CHARITY BOWLS, AND PLAYOFFS.
5. PLAYERS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RE-WEIGH FOR SKILLED POSITION DURING THE SEASON.
6. PLAYERS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE INITIAL WEIGHT OR A SKILLED WEIGHT ON THE DAY OF THE GAME. A WEIGHT TEAM REPRESENTATIVE AND THE ORGANIZATIONAL PRESIDENTS OR DESIGNEES MUST BE PRESENT. THE NEW WEIGHT MUST BE FORWARDED TO THE CONFERENCE SECRETARY FOR OFFICIAL ADDITION TO THE TEAM ROSTER. IF NOT, THAT PLAYER WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE FOR PLAY AT THEIR NEW WEIGHT. CONFERENCE SECRETARY IS RESPONSIBLE TO EMAIL FINAL ROSTERS BY TUESDAY OF EVERY WEEK TO ORGANIZATIONAL PRESIDENTS FOR THEIR NEXT UPCOMING GAME. ROSTERS ARE FINALIZED EACH TUESDAY MORNING. ALL PLAYER WEIGHTS ARE CONSIDERED FINAL ON THE TEAM ROSTERS FOR PLAY WHEN SENT. PLAYERS MUST PLAY POSITIONS AS OUTLINED IN SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE XII BASED ON THEIR ROSTERED WEIGHTS.
7. VIOLATIONS OF THIS WEIGH IN POLICY WILL RESULT IN FINES/SUSPENSION AND REMOVAL FROM CONFERENCE.
8. STANDARD AGE AND MAXIMUM WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS:

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE THE FOLLOWING AGE ON AUGUST 1st: **SEE ARTICLE V, SECTION 1-PLAYER ELIGIBILITY.**

- TACKLE TO TACKLE INCLUDES ALL OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE TACKLES, GUARDS AND CENTER/NOSE GUARDS. THESE POSITIONS MUST BE IN A 3-POINT STANCE.
 - SKILLED POSITION INCLUDES EVERYONE ELSE ON OFFENSE AND DEFENSE.
 - DEFENSIVE PLAYERS PLAYING AT THE TACKLE TO TACKLE WEIGHTS MUST PLAY HEADS UP OR INSIDE THE OFFENSIVE TACKLES
9. THE ABOVE WEIGHTS ARE TO BE USED FOR WEIGH INS AND ALL CHILDREN MUST HAVE A JERSEY ON AND SOMETHING ON THE BOTTOM WHEN THEY WEIGH IN.
 10. ALL PLAYERS MUST BE WEIGHED THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS
 11. A PLAYER CAN ONLY BE ROSTERED UP ONE YEAR TO THE NEXT LEVEL. DOUBLE ROSTERING OF PLAYERS IS ONLY PERMITTED DUE TO WEIGHT OR OTHER SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, SUCH AS NOT ENOUGH PLAYERS IN A DIVISION. SEE BELOW:
 - a. 10U CAN DOUBLE ROSTER TO THE 12U DIVISION
 - b. 8U DIVISION CAN DOUBLE ROSTER TO THE 10U DIVISION
 - c. 7 YEAR OLDS MAY ROSTER TO 6U DIVISION IF THEY ARE A FIRST YEAR PLAYER.

ARTICLE XIV - PLAYOFFS

PLAYOFFS AND SUPER BOWL:

1. TOP SIX TEAMS OVERALL WILL MAKE THE PLAYOFFS WITH THE FIRST AND SECOND PLACE TEAMS HAVING A BYE THE FIRST WEEK. THE LOWEST SEEDED REMAINING TEAM WILL PLAY THE NUMBER ONE TEAM AND THE SECOND LOWEST SEEDED TEAM WILL PLAY THE NUMBER 2 TEAM. ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES WILL BE MADE AT A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING. THE HOME TEAM WILL BE THE TEAM WITH THE BEST RECORD AND HAVE A CHOICE OF SIDELINES. THE HOME TEAM WILL HAVE THE PRE-GAME SHOW AND AWAY TEAM WILL HAVE THE HALFTIME SHOW.
2. TIE BREAKERS ARE; OVERALL RECORD, HEAD TO HEAD, STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE, THEN DRAW FROM A HAT. STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE WILL BE DETERMINED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE REGULAR SEASON, AT THIS TIME PLAYOFFS, PARTICIPANTS OPPONENTS WIN AND LOSSES WILL BE TALLIED TO DETERMINE THE STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE.
3. HOME TEAM WILL APPOINT CHAIN GANG VOLUNTEERS FOR PLAYOFFS AND SUPERBOWL GAMES.
4. KICK OFF TIME FOR THE 8U DIVISION WILL BE 11:15 A.M. THE 10U DIVISION KICKOFF WILL FOLLOW. THE 12U DIVISION GAMES WILL START IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE 10U DIVISION GAME; AND THE 12U DIVISION KICKOFF WILL BE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE 10U DIVISION GAME. THE ORDER OF THE GAMES MAY CHANGE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PRESIDENT.

ARTICLE XV -AWARDS

AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN BY THE CONFERENCE TO:

1. SUPER BOWL MEDALS WILL BE HANDED OUT TO ALL THE PLAYERS PARTICIPATING IN THE SUPER BOWL.

2. 1st PLACE AND RUNNER UP TROPHIES

ARTICLE XVI - ROTATION OF PLAYOFFS AND SUPER BOWL

- A. THE SUPERBOWL MUST BE HOSTED AT A HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM.
- B. YEAR ONE – ALL TEAM NAMES WILL BE PUT IN A HAT. THE FIRST TEAM DRAWN WILL HOST THE SUPERBOWL. THE REMAINING TEAM NAMES WILL BE PULLED TO HOST THE PLAY OFF GAMES, TO FILL THE SCHEDULE.
- C. YEAR TWO – ALL TEAM NAMES THAT DID NOT HOST IN THE FIRST YEAR, NAMES WILL REMAIN IN THE HAT. THE FIRST TEAM NAME PULLED WILL HOST THE SUPERBOWL AND THEN ANY REMAINING NAMES WILL HOST THE PLAYOFFS. ONCE ALL TEAM HAVE BEEN SELECTED THEN WE REPEAT THE PROCESS.
- D. ELIGIBILITY TO HOST A POST SEASON PLAY IS CONTINGENT ON THE AVAILABILITY TO SATISFY THE FIELD REQUIREMENTS>

APPENDIX A: WVJFC GUIDELINES FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS

THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR COACHES AND ADVISORS IN THE EVENT A NEGATIVE ITEM APPEARS ON THEIR BACKGROUND CHECK. ALL THE FOLLOWING LISTED ITEMS MUST BE USED FOR DETERMINING THE ELIGIBILITY OF A PARTICULAR COACH OR ADVISOR. IF ANY OF THE BELOW MENTIONED INCIDENTS ARE LISTED ON THE BACKGROUND CHECK, THAT COACH OR ADVISOR IS INELIGIBLE TO COACH WITHIN THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH ORGANIZATION TO FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES TO THE LETTER. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS. ANY VARIANCE FROM THESE GUIDELINES WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AND SHALL RESULT IN SEVERE FINES (\$500) AND OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION (PROBATION).

CONVICTIONS FOR:

- 1. ANY AND ALL FELONIES
- 2. MURDER
- 3. MANSLAUGHTER
- 4. RAPE
- 5. KIDNAPPING
- 6. CHILD ABUSE
- 7. CHILD MOLESTATION
- 8. PEDOPHILIA
- 9. ALL SEX OFFENSES
- 10. PUBLIC LEWDNESS
- 11. CORRUPTION OF THE MORALS OF A MINOR
- 12. DISTRIBUTION, POSSESSION, SALE, INTENT TO DELIVER ILLEGAL DRUGS OR ILLEGALLY OBTAINED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA
- 13. ARMED ROBBERY
- 14. CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON ILLEGALLY
- 15. POSSESSION OF AN ILLEGAL, UNREGISTERED FIREARM
- 16. ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON

17. ASSAULT AND/OR BATTERY IN THE PAST 5 YEARS
18. AGGRAVATED ASSAULT IN THE PAST 5 YEARS
19. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE PAST 5 YEARS
20. DUI- 1 TIME IN THE PAST 3 YEARS, 2 TIMES IN THE PAST 5 YEARS
21. PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS IN THE PAST 3 YEARS
22. VEHICULAR HOMICIDE AS A RESULT OF DUI IN THE PAST 5 YEARS

ANY INDIVIDUAL CHARGED BUT NOT YET CONVICTED OF ANY OR ALL OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED OFFENSES SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY SUSPENDED FROM ANY COACHING OR ADVISORY POSITION AND THAT INDIVIDUAL SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN ANY CAPACITY OF THAT ORGANIZATION UNTIL SAID VERDICT IS DETERMINED.

APPENDIX B: EXCEPTIONS TO PIAA RULES SUMMARY
THESE RULES ARE NOT INFORCED BY PIAA

- TACKLE TO TACKLE INCLUDES ALL OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE TACKLES, GUARDS AND CENTER/NOSE GUARDS
- SKILLED POSITION INCLUDES EVERYONE ELSE ON OFFENSE AND DEFENSE.
- DEFENSIVE PLAYERS PLAYING AT THE TACKLE TO TACKLE WEIGHTS MUST PLAY HEADS UP OR INSIDE THE OFFENSIVE TACKLES AND BE IN A 3-POINT STANCE.
- THERE WILL BE A 45 SECOND PLAY CLOCK FOR 6U AND 8U. THE STANDARD 25 SECOND PLAY CLOCK WILL BE USED FOR 10U AND 12U.
- 12U, 10U AND 8U ~~AND 6U~~ TEAMS SHALL CONSIST OF FOUR QUARTERS OF 8 MINUTES OF PLAYING TIME AND HALF TIME.
- 6U TEAM GAMES WILL BEGIN AT 11:15AM AND ~~FOLLOW THE SAME SANCTIONED RULES AS 9U, 11U AND 13U TEAMS~~ AND SHALL CONSIST OF 2 – 20 MINUTE HALVES (RUNNING CLOCK) WITH AN 8 MINUTE HALF-TIME.
- FREE SUBSTITUTION SHALL BE ALLOWED
- 6U AND 8U DIVISION 24 POINT RULE.
 - WHEN A 6U OR 8U DIVISION TEAM HAS 24 POINTS OR GREATER LEAD, THE STARTING BACKFIELD MUST BE REPLACED.
 - THE STARTING BACKFIELD MAY STAY IN THE GAME AT NON-SKILLED POSITIONS (OFFENSIVE CENTER, GUARD OR TACKLE) AND/OR ANYWHERE ON DEFENSE.
 - IF NECESSARY, DUE TO INJURY OR LACK OF A SECOND-STRING QUARTERBACKS, THE STARTING QUARTERBACK MAY CONTINUE TO PLAY QUARTERBACK; BUT HE MUST HAND THE BALL OFF. HE CANNOT RUN WITH THE BALL OR THROW A FORWARD PASS.
 - IF/WHEN THE LEAD BECOMES LESS THAN 24 POINTS THE STARTING BACKFIELD MAY RETURN TO THEIR SKILL POSITIONS.
- 8U DIVISION KICKING RULE
 - THE TEAM WITH THE BALL MUST DECLARE IF THEY ARE GOING TO PUNT OR KICK A FIELD GOAL OR EXTRA POINT. IF SUCH DECLARATION IS MADE; RUSHING THE KICKER IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED
- 6U DIVISION KICKING RULE

- THE TEAM WITH THE BALL MUST DECLARE IF THEY ARE GOING TO PUNT OR KICK A FIELD GOAL OR EXTRA POINT. IF SUCH DECLARATION IS MADE; RUSHING THE KICKER IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. A PLAYER CAN THROW BALL IN PLACE OF PUNT – WHERE BALL LANDS IS WHERE ITS PLAYED. JBALL CANNOT BE ADVANCED.

➤ 6U GAME RULES

- THERE WILL BE 2 COACHES ON THE FIELD FOR EACH TEAM AT ALL TIMES AS THEY ARE OFFICIATED BY PIAA OFFICIALS.
- AFTER A COIN TOSS; THE BALL WILL BE PLACED ON THE 50 YARD LINE
- 6U CAN NOT LINE UP OVER CENTER. DEFENSIVE LINEMAN MUST LINE UP HEAD UP ON THE GUARD OR BEYOND. DEFENSIVE LINEBACKER (MIDDLE) MUST BE 3 YARDS OFF THE LINE UPON SNAP OF THE BALL

➤ PLEASE HAVE CHAIN CREW READY BEFORE SUNDAY

APPENDIX C: WVJFC COACHES/ADVISORS AND BOARD MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

WVJFC COACHES/ADVISORS AND BOARD MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

I HEREBY PLEDGE TO PROVIDE POSITIVE SUPPORT, CARE, AND ENCOURAGEMENT FOR MY TEAM PARTICIPATING IN THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE, INC. (HEREAFTER KNOWN AS THE WVJFC) BY FOLLOWING THIS COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT PLEDGE:

1. I WILL DO MY BEST TO ORGANIZE PRACTICES THAT ARE INSIGHTFUL AND CHALLENGING FOR ALL MY PLAYERS.
2. I WILL ENCOURAGE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP BY DEMONSTRATING POSITIVE SUPPORT FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS, COACHES, PIAA OFFICIALS, BOARD MEMBERS, CONFERENCE OFFICIALS AND STAFF AT ANY/ALL CONFERENCE SPONSORED EVENTS.
3. I WILL ENCOURAGE A BALANCED LIFESTYLE BETWEEN SPORT, EDUCATION AND OTHER INTEREST.
4. I WILL PLACE THE EMOTIONAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, AND PHYSICAL WELL BEING OF MY TEAM, AND ANY OTHER CHILDREN IN THE CONFERENCE AHEAD OF ANY PERSONAL DESIRES I MAY HAVE.
5. I WILL INSIST THAT MY TEAM PARTICIPATES IN A SAFE AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT.
6. I WILL PROMISE TO REVIEW, AND PRACTICE BASIC FIRST AID PRINCIPLES NEEDED TO TREAT MINOR (CUTS, ABRASIONS, BRUISES, ETC.) INJURIES INCURRED BY MY PLAYERS.
7. I WILL SUPPORT ALL COACHES, PIAA OFFICIALS, BOARD MEMBERS, CONFERENCE OFFICIALS AND OTHERS WORKING WITH MY TEAM, IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE A POSITIVE AND ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE FOR ALL.
8. I WILL ACCEPT THAT STRIVING TO WIN IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN WINNING ITSELF.
9. I WILL ACCEPT MISTAKES AS AN IMPORTANT PART OF LEARNING.
10. I WILL REMEMBER THAT THE OBJECTIVE OF THE WVJFC IS TO MAINTAIN A PROGRAM OF SUPERVISED FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING WITH THE FOLLOWING OBJECTIVES: CHARACTER, CITIZENSHIP, MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH, AND SPORTSMANSHIP. I WILL REMEMBER THAT THE WVJFC IS INTENDED FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF THE CHILDREN, NOT TO FULFILL THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE COACHES, PARENTS OR SPECTATORS.
11. I WILL INSIST THAT MY TEAM TREATS OTHER PARTICIPANTS, COACHES, PIAA OFFICIALS, BOARD MEMBERS, CONFERENCE OFFICIALS, PARENTS AND SPECTATORS, WITH RESPECT, REGARDLESS OF RACE, SEX, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN OR ABILITY.
12. I WILL REFRAIN FROM USING ANY/ALL VULGAR, LEWD OR OBSCENE LANGUAGE OR GESTURES WHILE PARTICIPATING IN, OR WATCHING ANY/ALL CONFERENCE SPONSORED EVENTS.
13. I WILL DIRECT ALL MY COMMENTS AND CRITICISMS OF PARENTS, SPECTATORS, PARTICIPANTS, COACHES, PIAA OFFICIALS, BOARD MEMBERS, AND CONFERENCE OFFICIALS AWAY FROM THE CHILDREN PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERENCE, AND CONDUCT MYSELF IN A CALM, CIVILIZED MANNER WHEN DOING SO.
14. I FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT IF OUR TEAM IS WINNING BY A LARGE MARGIN (THREE TOUCHDOWNS), I WILL MAKE THE APPROPRIATE DECISIONS TO AVOID RUNNING UP THE SCORE ANY FURTHER ON AN OVERMATCHED OPPONENT. THIS INCLUDES PASSING, TRICK PLAYS, LEAVING THE STARTING BACKFIELD IN THE GAME, ETC.

15. I UNDERSTAND VIOLATION OF THESE RULES COULD RESULT IN THE CONFERENCE OFFICERS REVIEWING MY BEHAVIOR, AND TAKING THE NECESSARY ACTIONS, WHICH MAY INCLUDE FINES, SUSPENSION, AND/OR PERMANENT DISMISSAL FROM THE WVJFC.

COACH/BOARD MEMBER SIGNATURE: _____

NAME PRINTED: _____

DATE: _____

NOTE: IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WVJFC, THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND DATED. ADDITIONALLY, A RECENT, "CLEAN" BACKGROUND CHECK MUST BE ON FILE WITH THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE, INC. SEE APPENDIX A OF THE WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE, INC. CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS FOR A LIST OF CONVICTIONS THAT PRECLUDE ANY INDIVIDUAL FROM COACHING IN THE WVJFC. IF A COACH FAILS TO READ AND SIGN THE COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT OR IF A COACH PROVIDES A FRAUDULENT OR INACCURATE BACKGROUND CHECK, HE/SHE WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE RENDERED INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY/ALL CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES. IN ADDITION, BY SIGNING THIS CODE OF CONDUCT PLEDGE, COACHES AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE GUIDELINES SET FORTH ABOVE, AND TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN THE APPROPRIATE MANNER. FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THIS CODE OF CONDUCT, OR VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE GUIDELINES SET FORTH ABOVE, WILL AUTOMATICALLY RENDER THE COACH UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN OR ATTEND ANY/ALL CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES/EVENTS. THE WVJFC CONFERENCE OFFICIALS HAVE THE SOLE RIGHT TO REVIEW AND ENFORCE VIOLATIONS