## **For Parents**

## Football will make you a better person.

But it takes work. Parents should know that football is a big commitment, for both you and your child. Practices take place 2 to 3-nights a week – *outdoors, in all conditions* (*except lightning*), with 1 game day per weekend during the season. If you can make the commitment, your child will learn about teamwork by playing on the ultimate team game. There is a position on the football field for everybody – no matter how big or small, fast or slow. If your child is between grade 3 and 9 and lives in the Stettler area, they can play for Stettler Minor Football!

Practices vary for the different age groups. Spring Camp begins in May and runs until the second weekend in June. The fall season starts back in August, prior to returning to school and runs until the end of the season mid to late October. Playoffs offer the opportunity to play as late as mid November.

## Parental Concerns

Communication is crucial in any organization, and it is important that parents are aware of whom to direct a question, concern, or comment.

Coaches, who are volunteers, have made a large commitment to teach your child how to play football. They are expected to come to practice prepared to coach their players. In order for this limited time to be used most effectively, please do not expect to discuss matters with the coaches before or during a practice. If you must address a concern with someone at a practice or game, please approach the team manager. This person is generally the most knowledgeable, and by doing so, it is less disruptive to the activity on the field. All formal complaints must be submitted on the SMFA Complaint Form and submitted to the President , who will address the issue at the monthly Board of Directors Meeting.