

WARRIORS FOOTBALL

WISCONSIN INDEPENDENT YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE (WIYFL)
Associate Members of the WI All-American Youth Football League (WIAAYFL)

PROGRAM: Established in 1996, the WIYFL was the first youth football program in Waukesha to provide an opportunity for players in the 5th and 6th grade to play tackle football. In 2007 the 3rd/4th grade level was added. This is a full contact football program, designed to develop players at an instructional level of play. All players receive quality playing time, with a safety first attitude. Playing time is directly related to the players participation and effort in practice. Again, this is a tackle football program, **PLAYERS AND PARENTS SHOULD UNDERSTAND THERE IS A RISK OF INJURY.** However, the risk of injury is greatly reduced through a proper training and practice program, with specific rules intended to increase the safety for all players. (i.e. A weight limit is placed on all **Offensive backfield and receiver positions**). Players over the weight limit can still play, but not as an offensive back or receiver. Because of insurance provisions players must be in grades 3 through 6 (age 12 and under all season). During the first week of practice all players go through a required conditioning, agility, and technique program to prepare them for the contact involved in football. During this time players are given the opportunity to try various positions, but remember the needs of the team will come first and the rules may effect where the player may play on offense. Separate teams for 5th and 6th grade players will be established and compete in the WIAAYFL, the top youth football league in the State of Wisconsin. The 3rd and 4th grade players will be part of our Learning League teams. These teams will attempt to have a lower player to coach ratio to insure the younger players receive the proper training. By March 1st, sufficient numbers to safely field teams, at the 5th and 6th grade, must be registered to commit to the WIAAYFL for play in the fall.

Register before February 15th and save \$50.00!

PURPOSE: The purpose of WIYFL is to provide a positive football experience for players through PARTICIPATION. It is our goal that each player learn the basic football skills, techniques, and experience needed to better prepare them for their next level of football. Additional goals of the program include the development of such qualities as; Sportsmanship, Discipline, Confidence, and Ability.

PRACTICE AND GAMES: Practice will start on the second Saturday in August. Practice before school starts are generally 4-5 days a week. Once school starts teams practice a maximum 3 days a week (two days for the 3rd/4th grade). Weekday practices will generally be from 5:00-6:30p and Saturday practice from 9-12p. An annual multi-team scrimmage is held two weeks after the start of practice. All league games will be played on Saturdays, between 9:00a & 3:00p, starting after Labor Day and ending in late October, followed by our annual Awards Ceremony to recognize all team players and coaches.

EQUIPMENT: The WIYFL will provide for each players use: Football Helmet (NOC-SAE certified), Shoulder Pads, Game & Practice Jerseys, Game & Practice Pants w/Pads and mouthguard. Players must provide their own football or soccer shoes, athletic supporter and any additional pads they may desire for safety (ie. hand, forearm pads). Players are issued appx. \$275.00 in equipment to play. The equipment is upgraded and maintained annually to provide the players not only safe equipment, but the look of champions!

COST: Take advantage of our discounted **Early Registration Fee of \$150.00, if paid in full and postmarked by February 15th.** After February 15th the registration fee is \$200.00, due in two installments. A non-refundable \$100.00 fee must accompany the players registration form, the remaining balance of \$100.00, must be paid by **August 1st. Registrations received after April 1st are subject to a \$50.00 late fee.** Refunds are made only if the program is unable to place a player on a team, the player moves out of the program boundary area, or is medically unable to participate prior to the first day of practice (medical statement required). Any request for a refund is handled case by case at the discretion of the WIYFL Board. If approved, a \$25.00 service fee will be applied and subtracted from any refund amount. Fees cover the cost of equipment use, league fees, game officials, liability insurance, game field and coaching equipment, certification/maintenance of equipment, field rental, and other costs related to operating the program. The overall cost to play in our program is the lowest in the area. Consider our referral program (next page) to play football for little or no cost.

COACHING: We are always looking for good coaches. All coaches in the WIYFL are volunteers who wish to have a positive impact on young players. Many of our coaches have been with the program for years and do not have players in the program. All WIYFL coaches are required to be ASEP, PACE, NFHS, NYSCA, or WYSCO certified and require a background check. Coaches are also required to attend training sessions with the Program and Coaches Coordinators and are encouraged to attend off season clinics. Our coaches develop the basic concept of being a **TEAM**, through **“The Warriors Way” - “Hard work, Teamwork, Pride”**. Coaches will also develop team rules which are fair for all participants. These rules will help maintain order and discipline. Coaches will give each player on their team a written copy of the team rules. The only standard rules for all WIYFL teams are: (1) Players must attend scheduled practices to guarantee their playing time. The general rule is, “Miss a practice, miss a minimum of a quarter in the game” (2) Players are required to wear all issued equipment from the WIYFL. Those interested in coaching should contact the Program Coordinator. Quality coaching is a high priority, those interested must be willing to commit the necessary time to his/her team and players.

FUND RAISING: There are **No Mandatory Fund Raising** activities (i.e. raffle tickets, candy, pizza, etc.), however, those wishing to help in the concession stand or through other contributions of time or products is appreciated and will help keep our player cost reasonable. We do have an annual “Grab Bag” Fund Raiser helps support our **Scholarship Program**. If you or your employer can help with items for the Grab Bags (i.e. product overstock, discontinued, discounts, promotional items) please contact the program Coordinator.

QUESTIONS/COMPLAINTS/DISPUTES: It is important that open communication take place about any problem. Players or parents who have any concern about the program or policies should talk to their respective Head Coach about the problem first. If a satisfactory solution is not reached then the Program Coordinator should be contacted. Program Coordinator 2009: Jim Grisaffi (547-8997)

WIYFL Referral Program

PLAY FOOTBALL FOR FREE!

Warriors Football has developed a player referral opportunity for registered players. This referral program offers the opportunity to players to play football at little or no cost. We believe our greatest resource for promoting Warriors Football are those players and parents who have experienced "The Warriors Way". Help promote the program, and at the same time reduce the cost for your players participation. In 2008 \$420.00 was returned to parents for 28 referrals who joined the Warriors.

Here's how the referral program works:

- Your player must register with the WIYFL and have paid the full registration fee to be eligible to participate in the referral program.

- After your player is registered. You will receive an additional "Participant Application Form" to distribute to friends, classmates, or neighbors. The forms are also available for download on the WIYFL web site at : www.wiyfl.aayf.org. The player must put his name on the application form in the "referred by _____" portion (sample below) prior to distribution.

"AMOUNT PAID _____ CK# _____ DATE _____ Referred by: Tomy Player "

- Request that the referred player/parent use the "Participant Application Form" with your players name in the "referred by" portion of the form. Once a player application is received in the WIYFL office no "referred by" will be added, and is ineligible for a rebate.

- Rebates will only be made for "new" referred players to the WIYFL program. Players who have previously been registered to play in the WIYFL are not eligible to be considered as a referral.

- Referrals must be registered by April 1st and have paid at minimum the first of the two(2) installment payments to be considered an eligible referral. Its important to get the word out early to new players, and get them registered.

- The referring players parent will receive a rebate of \$15.00 for each referral who registers as required, and is on the WIYFL player roster on September 1st. Any referring player who gets seven(7) or more new players registered, and they are on the WIYFL player roster on September 1st, will receive a full rebate of their registration fee. The total amount of rebate may not exceed \$150.00 registration fee paid. Rebate checks will be mailed out about October 1st.

- Scholarship Players are not eligible to be considered as a referral.

- If you have any questions on this referral program please contact the WIYFL Program Coordinator.

**WISCONSIN INDEPENDENT YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Participant Application Form**

(please print clearly)

STUDENT NAME _____ PHONE _____ FALL 2009 GRADE _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____
SCHOOL _____ BIRTHDAY _____ AGE _____ HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____
FATHERS NAME _____ MOTHERS NAME _____
DOCTOR'S NAME _____ PHONE _____ HOSPITAL _____
PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOUNDARY OF HOME RESIDENCE? _____

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

For the Participant: In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the **WISCONSIN INDEPENDENT YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE (WIYFL)**, the **WISCONSIN ALL-AMERICAN YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE (WIAAYFL)**, related events and activities, the undersigned participant acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1. The risk of injury from the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,
2. **I knowingly and freely assume all such risks**, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
3. I will comply with all rules and regulations of the WIYFL, WIAAYFL and its member organizations (copies of rules and regulations are available upon request from the member organization for which this application is intended); and,
4. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazards during my presence or participation, or if I am injured while participating in this activity, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest coach or team official immediately; and,
5. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, **hereby release and hold harmless** the WIYFL, WIAAYFL, its members, their officers, its coaches, officials, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("Releasees"), **with respect to any and all injury, disability, death**, or loss or damage to person or property, **whether arising from the negligence of the releasees or otherwise.**

I have read this Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntary without any inducement.

Participant's Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

For Parents/Guardians: I hereby authorize my child _____ to participate in the **WISCONSIN INDEPENDENT YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE (WIYFL)**, the **WISCONSIN ALL-AMERICAN YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE (WIAAYFL)** for the 2009 fall season. This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from the negligence of the Releasees.

Further, if emergency medical administration is needed by our child during or resulting from said activity, we authorize any of the coaches or chaperones to authorize any licensed physician or surgeon to administer such emergency medical attention. We further waive any claim, demand, cause or action or assertion of liability against the WIYFL, its officers, coaches and chaperones, because of the administration of emergency medical attention.

I have read this Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntary without any inducement.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

Medical Insurance Information: INSURANCE CO. _____
PHONE _____ GROUP NO. _____ SUBSCRIBER NO. _____

PARENT AND PLAYER COMMITMENT TO PLAY IN THE WIYFL IS AS FOLLOWS:

- * Registration will take place by mail. **Early Registration Fee \$150.00** if paid in full and postmarked by February 15th.
- * **Registration fee after February 15th** and before April 1st is \$200.00 paid in two installments. \$100.00 must accompany completed registration form. The remaining balance of the registration fee (\$100.00) must be **paid by August 1st**.
- * **Registrations received after April 1st are subject to a \$50.00 late fee.**
- * Please make check payable and mail with registration form to: **WIYFL, PO BOX 541 Waukesha, WI 53187-0541**
- * All players must be covered under their families group health insurance. Players must also have an annual Medical/Informed Consent form on file. Forms will be sent after players are registered and must be **returned by August 1st**.
- * Parents are financially responsible for lost equipment or equipment damaged beyond normal wear and tear, at the replacement cost.
- * Players are required to follow all league and team rules.
- * Refunds are made if the program is unable to place a player on a team, the player moves out of the program boundary area, or is medically unable to participate prior to the first day of practice (medical statement required). Any request for a refund is handled case by case at the discretion of the WIYFL Board. If approved, a \$25.00 service fee will be applied, and subtracted from any refund amount.

I SO COMMIT _____ PARENT/GUARDIAN _____ STUDENT _____

AMOUNT PAID _____ CK# _____ DATE _____ Referred by: _____

WIYFL FOOTBALL PROSPECTS

(PLAYERS AND PARENTS PLEASE COMPLETE)

PLAYER _____ PHONE _____

SCHOOL _____ **FALL 2009** GRADE _____ HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____

HOME RESIDENCE IS IN WHICH HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOUNDARY? _____

FATHER _____ OCCUPATION _____

MOTHER _____ OCCUPATION _____

E-MAIL _____

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POSITION YOU WANT TO TRY - **OFFENSE**
(CIRCLE)

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POSITION YOU WANT TO TRY - **DEFENSE**
(CIRCLE)

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LB

LB

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SPECIALITIES - KICKER PUNTER LONG SNAPPER HOLDER X-POINT FIELD GOAL
(CIRCLE)

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN ATTENDING A SUMMER FOOTBALL CAMP? YES NO MAYBE

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO PLAY FOOTBALL NEXT SEASON?

NAME _____ SCHOOL _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ **FALL 2009** GRADE _____ EMAIL _____

COACHES NEEDED:

If you are willing and have the necessary time available to participate as a Coach, please fill out the portion below (A coaches questionnaire and requirements will be sent to prospective coaches).

NAME _____ PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

PARENTS: HELP!

This program is entirely volunteer oriented. No parent is required to volunteer to help, however, the program cannot succeed without everyone pitching in somewhere. There are many areas your help is needed; Concessions, Product Donations, Game Clock Operator, Down and Distance Markers, Field Set-up/take down, Team Manager, Promotions, Corporate Contributions. Please contact your teams Head Coach or Program Coordinator to offer assistance.