

# 2023 SPRING FLAG FOOTBALL FAQs PRISMA HEALTH FAMILY YMCA

REGISTRATION FROM March 13<sup>th</sup> – April 5<sup>th</sup> LATE REGISTRATION April 6<sup>th</sup> – April 10<sup>th</sup> GAMES FROM May 13<sup>th</sup> – June 17<sup>th</sup>

PRACTICES START week of May 1st

#### WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD BRING?

AGE	PRACTICE LOCATION	GAME LOCATION	CLEATS	MOUTH GUARD	DRESS	WATER BOTTLE	Football
4-5 & 6-7	YMCA Program Center (YPC)	YMCA Program Center (YPC)	Highly recommended	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Peewee size
8-9 & 10-11	YMCA Program Center (YPC)	YPC and other Greenville Y's	Highly recommended	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Junior size
12-14	YMCA Program Center (YPC)	YPC and other Greenville Y's	Highly recommended	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Youth size

# WHAT IS PROVIDED IN MY REGISTRATION FEE? MEMBERS - \$75, POTENTIAL MEMBERS - \$110

The YMCA is committed to providing the highest quality program for you and your family. Staff is provided to oversee all operations of the practices and games. Referees are trained in rules and regulations of flag football. Fields are maintained and kept in safe and presentable conditions. Additionally, your child will be provided with a team jersey. Every child will receive an end of the season medal. Six games are scheduled.

Any additional jersey ordered for a participant after the initial jersey order will be a \$12 fee.

# NO TOBACCO/DRUGS/ALCOHOL AND NO PETS ON PROPERTY

We appreciate your understanding of these policies.

**DOES THE YMCA GUARANTEE MY REQUESTS?** The YMCA cannot guarantee any requests that are made for days, times, coaches, etc. We try our best to accommodate all requests.

# WHAT AGE GROUP SHOULD MY CHILD BE IN?

Your child should be in an age group based on their age on the first day of practices. Example: If the child is 5 at the time of registration, but turns 6 before the first day of practices, the child would need to play in the 6–7 age group. If you feel your child can play in an older age group, you must speak with the director before the child will be moved up.

# WILL THE YMCA COMMUNICATE INFORMATION WITH ME?

Yes, but the primary form of communication is through an online program called Playerspace, @www.playerspace.com. Playerspace will have your schedule, practice times and days, Team/Coach information. Please be sure to make an account. You can also download the Playerspace App to your mobile device. The YMCA will communicate practice schedules, game schedules, and other important information throughout the season.

# WHEN/WHERE SHOULD I HEAR FROM THE COACH?

Coaches are expected to review their rosters and contact their players by the week of April 24<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Tyree Mathis at <u>tyree.mathis@ymcagreenville.org</u> or Erica Snyder at <u>erica.snyder@ymcagreenville.org</u> if you have not heard from your coach by April 28<sup>th</sup>.

# PRACTICE INFORMATION

Practices begin the week of May 1st.

- The 4-5 year old age group will have a one time intro practice before the season starts. Those practices will be either the week of May 1<sup>st</sup> or May 8<sup>th</sup>. We will reach out to coaches with those assigned days and times.
- Ages 6-14 will have practices at 5:30pm or 6:30pm on Monday Friday, once a week. Coaches will choose the practice time/day for their team. Practices will be at YPC.

# WHEN WILL THE GAMES BE PLAYED?

- Ages 4–5 will have games on Saturday mornings and possibly 1 or 2 weeknight games. Their games will start on May 13<sup>th</sup> and end on June 17<sup>th</sup>. They will practice for 15mins and then play a 40 minute game. Games will be at YPC
- Ages 6-7 will have games on Saturdays and possibly 1 or 2 weeknight games from May 13<sup>th</sup> and end on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Games will be at YPC.
- Ages 8-14 will have games on Saturdays and possibly 1 or 2 weeknight games starting at 5:30 or 6:30pm from May 13<sup>th</sup> and end on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Games will be at the YMCA Program Center and/or any of the other YMCA branches in Greenville such as Caine Halter YMCA, Eastside YMCA, and George I. Theisen YMCA.
- <u>NOTE</u>: If we don't have enough teams to create a league, games will be played on Saturday's against other YMCA branches in Greenville such as Caine Halter YMCA, Eastside YMCA, and George I. Theisen YMCA.

#### WHAT ABOUT INCLEMENT WEATHER AND CANCELLATIONS?

 Practices/Games: The Sports Director or Sports Specialist will call practices/games under severe weather (lightning, thunderstorms, tornado watch), ongoing hard rain, snow/ice, and/or any possible weather threats. <u>Otherwise, any other weather conditions such as small rain showers will be at the discretion of the coach</u>. This is for all ages. <u>Please get a contact list of the Head Coach</u>, <u>Assistant Coach</u>, and <u>Team parent</u> <u>to see if practice is called off</u>. If the YMCA does call off practices/games, the decision will be made by 5:00pm for weekdays and 8:00am on Saturdays. Everyone will receive a notification through playerspace. After this time all decisions will be made at the field and information will be given to the Member Services desk at the YMCA. Always check with your coach to see if it's cancelled.

# WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL PICTURES?

After the game schedule has been created, we will send it to the photographer and he will develop a picture schedule. As soon as we get this, we will pass it along to coaches and parents through email. PortraitEFX is the photography company. After your picture day has passed, they will process all orders and mail them out within a 3-4 week time period. Any inquiries regarding problems with picture orders or not receiving your pictures should be sent to Todd Rogers at (864) 616-7999 or trogers@portraitefx.com.

#### **IS THERE AN END OF SEASON PARTY?**

Medals will be given to coaches before the end of the season. It is up to coaches to pass them out after the last game or at a party. If you would like your team to have a party to pass out medals, get with your coach and/or team parent to help set one up.

#### **IS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE?**

Yes, please ask the front desk for the paperwork needed to apply for financial assistance. Please allow at least 10 business days for this process. For questions on this process, please email at <a href="mailto:yassist@ymcaqreenville.org">yassist@ymcaqreenville.org</a>.

#### HOW CAN I GET A REFUND/ CREDIT?

**Refund Policy-**

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DATE	REFUND/CREDIT			
March 13 <sup>th</sup> – April 10 <sup>th</sup>	A full refund will be issued			
April11 <sup>th</sup> – April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Credit or refund minus \$20			
May 1 <sup>st</sup> and after	No refund. (Unless emergency and/or			
	doctor's note)			

# HAVE A QUESTION NOT LISTED HERE?

Please direct all questions and concerns to:

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