

# 2024 Spring Flag Football FAQ's

REGISTRATION: March 11<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup> LATE REGISTRATION: April 2<sup>nd</sup> – April 8<sup>th</sup> (\$20 Late Fee Applies) SEASON: April 29<sup>th</sup> – June 15<sup>th</sup> GAMES: May 11<sup>th</sup> – June 15<sup>th</sup>

#### WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD BRING?

AGE	PRACTICE LOCATION	GAME LOCATION	CLEATS	MOUTH GUARD	DRESS	WATER BOTTLE	Football
4-5	Caine Halter	Caine Halter and	Recommended,	Required	Comfortably	YES	Preferred.
Coed	Field 2	other Greenville Y's	but not required		(shorts, t-shirt)		Peewee size
6-7	Caine Halter	Caine Halter and	Recommended,	Required	Comfortably	YES	Preferred.
Coed	Field 2	other Greenville Y's	but not required		(shorts, t-shirt)		Peewee size
8-11	Caine Halter	Caine Halter and	Highly	Required	Comfortably	YES	Preferred.
Coed	Field 3	other Greenville Y's	recommended		(shorts, t-shirt)		Junior size
12-14	Caine Halter	Caine Halter and	Highly	Required	Comfortably	YES	Preferred.
Coed	Field 3	other Greenville Y's	recommended		(shorts, t-shirt)		Youth size

#### WHAT IS PROVIDED IN MY REGISTRATION FEE? MEMBERS- \$80, NON MEMBERS- \$115

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 trophy.

#### 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, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Example: If your 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. Your child has the option to play an age level up, but cannot play below their current age.

#### WILL THE YMCA COMMUNICATE INFORMATION WITH ME?

Yes, the primary forms of communication are through email & PlayerSpace. The YMCA will communicate practice schedules, game schedules, and other important information throughout the season via PlayerSpace. Please add the @ymcagreenville.org & @playerspace.com domains to your safe sender list so emails do not go to your junk folder.

#### WHEN SHOULD I HEAR FROM THE COACH?

Coaches are expected to review their rosters and contact their players the week before practice is set to begin. Please contact Michael Shealy at <u>michael.shealy@ymcaqreenville.orq</u> with your child's name and age group, if you have not heard anything.

### PRACTICE INFORMATION

Practices begin the week of April 29th. All practices will be at Caine Halter YMCA.

- Ages 4-7 will practice once per week at 5:30 on Monday-Friday. Coaches will choose the practice day/time for the team they coach.
- Ages 8-14 will practice twice per week at either 5:30 or 6:45 Monday-Friday. Coaches will choose the practice day/time for the team they coach.

#### WHEN WILL THE GAMES BE PLAYED?

• Ages 4 - 14 will have games on Saturdays from May 11<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup>. Games will be at Caine Halter and/or any of the other YMCA branches. <u>We will have one weeknight game during the season</u>.

### WHAT ABOUT INCLEMENT WEATHER AND CANCELLATIONS?

- Practices & Games- the Sports Director will call practices under severe weather (lightning, thunder storms, tornado watch), ongoing hard rain, snow/ice, fields unplayable, and/or any possible weather threats.
- Otherwise, any other weather conditions such as small rain showers will be at the discretion of the coach. This is for all ages. Please get contact information of the Head Coach, Assistant Coach, and Team parent to see if practice is canceled.
- If the YMCA does call off practices or games, the decision will be made by 4:30pm or one hour before practices/games during the week and by 8:00am or one hour before game time on Saturdays. 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. The week before picture day, PortraitEFX will send you an email to order and pre-pay for photos. Any inquiries regarding problems with picture orders or not receiving your pictures should be sent to Todd Rogers at trogers@portraitefx.com.

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

Trophies or 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 trophies, 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. For questions on this process, please contact the Business Service Center at (864) 412-0277 or <u>vassist@ymcaqreenville.orq</u>.

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

DATE	REFUND/CREDIT
March 11 <sup>th</sup> – April 1 <sup>st</sup>	A full refund will be issued.
April 2 <sup>nd</sup> - April 28 <sup>th</sup>	Credit or refund minus \$20
April 29th and After	No refund. (Unless emergency and/or
	doctor's note)

#### HAVE A QUESTION NOT LISTED HERE?

Please direct all questions and concerns to: **Michael Shealy Sports Director** (864) 679-9622 <u>Michael.shealy@ymcagreenville.org</u>