

# FLAG FOOTBALL



CREATING CONFIDENCE, CHARACTER & CHAMPIONS

## 1st – 6th Grade

First Eligible Practice Date: August 23

Games: September 7 - October 5

Game Days: Wednesdays & Saturdays

End of Season Tournament: October 8 & 12

## League Features

- Numbered NFL themed jerseys
- 2 weeks practice time prior to regular season games
- 8 regular season games with 2-day Football Frenzy Tournament

### What You Will Need

- Mouth Guard
- Cleats
- Water Bottle

### Registration Details

**Opens: June 13th**

**Deadline: July 31st**

(\$20 late fee for registrations received after 7/31)

(\$5 off if registered by 7/2)

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**MEMBERS \$65 NON-MEMBERS \$85**

## FLAG FOOTBALL AT THE YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX

Register your child based on their grade of the 2022-2023 school year

Grades 1 & 2     Grades 3 & 4     Grades 5 & 6

T-Shirt size- Youth or Adult:    Small    Medium    Large    X-Large    XXL

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Head Coach     Volunteer Assistant    Coach Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Coach Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

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I understand and agree that these materials shall become property of the Stateline Family YMCA and will not be returned.

I understand and agree that my child's entire last name will not be used (unless a last initial is completely necessary).

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## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>June 13</b>	Registration Begins
<b>July 31</b>	Registration Deadline
<b>August 3</b>	Mandatory prospective coaches meeting 6pm held via Zoom. A link will be emailed to coaches.
<b>August 17</b>	Players should have received a call from coach with team info
<b>August 22</b>	Practices can begin this week
<b>September 7</b>	Uniform hand out and “scrimmage games”
<b>September 10</b>	Season Games Begin
<b>October 5</b>	Season Games End
<b>October 8 &amp; 12</b>	End of Season Tournament (all teams will participate)

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What programs are offered for each age group?

**Flag Football (Grades 1-6):** All players in grades 1-6 can expect to participate 2-3 times per week. There will typically be 2 games per week on Wednesday and Saturday's and 1 practice per week. Games will consist of smaller sized football fields with game play of 6 vs 6. All players will be eligible to run routes. There will be very minimal contact allowed. Coaches will be required to play all players 50 percent of the game and rotate players to different positions throughout the season. All games will be officiated by 1-2 YMCA referees. Games will also be played with a smaller size football. The YMCA will provide players with a team jersey and a flag for game-days. Each session will last about 45 minutes with a 5 minute warmup before games, two 16 minute halves and a 5 minute half-time in between. Grades 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> will NOT keep score in games. Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> will keep score during games and league standings. Each team will have 8 games plus an end of season tournament.

### What age groups does YMCA Flag Football serve?

Our leagues are for players Grades 1 - 6. Register your player by the grade they will enter in the fall of 2021 . No player is allowed to "play up" or "play down" a division. Divisions will be broken down as 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade.

### When does registration begin and where can I register?

Registration officially opens June 14 for flag football. You can register at the Ironworks Branch (501 Third Street Beloit), Roscoe Branch (9901 Main Street Roscoe), or online at [www.statelineymca.org](http://www.statelineymca.org). The registration deadline for flag football is July 30th.

### What do the programs cost?

Grade Level Member- \$65

Grade Level Non-Member- \$85

-\$5 off if registered by July 2<sup>nd</sup>

-\$20 late fee if registered after

### Do you offer financial assistance?

Yes! If you are in need of financial assistance, you may apply at the YMCA. To ensure that the paperwork is completed on time, we ask that the financial assistance paperwork is in by **July 16th**. To be granted financial assistance we will need the previous year's tax form, or a letter of non-filing, 1 month of paystubs, and all federal and state aid you receive ( S.S.I., Food Share, etc.)

### What does the player fee cover?

Each's fees portion of the expenses we incur to operate our leagues (team equipment, uniforms, referees, grounds crew wages, grounds-keeping equipment, concession stand supervisors, janitorial services, etc.).

Our fields are maintained daily and are some of the best in the Midwest. We also have a concession stand, clean bathrooms, and field lights for Wednesday night games

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **Where are the games played?**

All league games are played at our facility at the YMCA Youth Sports Complex located at 3301 Prairie Ave., Beloit.

### **When does the season start, and how long does it last?**

Teams are formed in early August. Your coach will contact you by August 17<sup>th</sup> with practice and team information. Practice is allowed to begin the week of August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Games will begin on September 7<sup>th</sup> with scrimmage games. The first real game will take place on September 10<sup>th</sup>. The season will officially wrap up with Championship games on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **How are Teams Formed?**

All teams are formed by schools and or district as much as possible. We will NOT accept any requests to be with certain players or coaches if they do not attend the same school.

### **When are Games Scheduled?**

Games on Wednesday night's will begin anywhere from 5:30 -7:30 pm. Games on Saturday's will begin anywhere from 9:00am -1:00 pm. Teams will meet and practice for the first 2 weeks before game play begins. All teams will play a minimum of 8 games along with an end of season tournament. The season will run from September 8<sup>th</sup> until October 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **When does my player practice?**

Our coaches are all volunteers. They all have their own unique schedules and other commitments. With this in mind we let our coaches set their own practice schedule and location. Your coach will notify you of practices once teams are formed and they make initial contact.

### **Are Volunteer Coaches Needed?**

**Yes! All of our programs are growing rapidly in size. With that, there is an increasing need for volunteer head and assistant coaches. We rely on volunteer coaches to help our programs run smoothly. If you are interested please attend the coaches meeting that is scheduled for August 5<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at the Beloit YMCA to be signed up. By having enough coaches right away this will ensure the season gets kicked off on time and will help with the coordination and organization of the league. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT! We will provide all of our volunteer coaches with practice equipment, drills and practice plans, practice space, schedules, league rules, and rosters with contact information. The Sports Director will also be in constant contact with coaches to give advice, share resources or answer any questions.**

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### ***Do parents need to volunteer in the concession stand?***

Our concession stand is fully staffed. However we would love to have any volunteers that are willing to help.

### ***Does my player need to buy any equipment to play?***

The YMCA supplies all our teams with the practice equipment. We also supply all our players with a team shirt. YMCA players will need to supply their own shoes/cleats and mouth guards.

### ***Do I need to pick up my child's uniform?***

No, uniforms are given directly to your coach on September 7<sup>th</sup> during our first scrimmage. Uniforms run true to size.

### ***When is picture day?***

Picture day for all teams will take place on a Saturday during the season and is currently being scheduled

### ***Where are the games played?***

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## YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX

# COMMITMENT TO CHARACTER

## YOUTH SPORTS TASKFORCE



### Core Values

**Caring** - We expect athletes, coaches, officials, and parents to remain committed to their team, teammates, themselves, and the integrity of the sport while at practice, before, during, and after games, and at all times. Sports, at their core, are about commitment.

**Honesty** - We are dedicated to an equal and fair standard. This happens when athletes, coaches, officials, and parents are honest at all times. In the end, cheaters never win and winners never cheat.

**Respect** - We expect all athletes, coaches, officials, and parents to be treated with dignity at all times. The experience is the focus, not the outcome.

**Responsibility** - We hold athletes, coaches, officials, and parents responsible for their actions. It is vital that everyone is following the rules and conducting themselves with, Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility at all times.

### 4 Player Values

**Caring** – I will demonstrate caring to my sport and my teammates by practicing and playing to the best of my ability at all times.

**Honesty** – I will live out honesty by playing by the rules and don't complain to the officials.

**Respect** – I will be respectful to my teammates, the coaches, and the officials by treating them how I would like to be treated.

**Responsibility** – I understand that actions have consequences and I pledge to take accept the consequences for my actions at all times.

### 4 Coach Values

**Caring** – I will show my players I care by being prepared for practices and games.

**Honesty** – I demonstrate honesty by upholding the rules regardless of the outcome.

**Respect** – I will respect each player and strive to help players development individually and as a team. I will ensure that all players are respected by myself, teammates, and parents and ensuring everyone has equal opportunity to learn and develop is one of my most important role as a coach.

**Responsibility** – I understand the responsibility of being a coach and the impact my choices have on players and parents. I am a role model for all players and parents and I will not only follow the rules, I will uphold them at all times.

### 4 Parent Values

**Caring** – I will show my player that I care and support him/her by encouraging development both on and off the field /court.

**Honesty** – I will be a good role model for my player and their teammates by demonstrating honesty regardless of the outcome.

**Respect** – I will respect all players, teammates, coaches, and officials at all times and understand that this level of play is focused on fun, fair play, and development.

**Responsibility** – I understand that my player will demonstrate the same level of responsibility I have. Therefore, I will follow the rules and policies for the sport in which my player is participating in and will accept responsibility for my actions.