

Parents Information Page

Parental Responsibilities:

Provide transportation to all games and practices.

Ensure your child is at all games and practices.

Notify coaching staff if your child will not be at a practice or game.

If your child's team advances to Regionals, you will be financially responsible for travel, lodging, meals, and any fees.

If you have a problem with a coach, take it to the coach, not to the other parents.

If you are not satisfied with the result, contact the Athletic Director for football and the Cheer Director for cheerleading.

Please read our Grievance Procedure for more information.

Provide VPW with all necessary forms by the first week of practice. Including ALL report cards from the previous school year.

Practices:

Practices can officially start on Monday, August 1st.

Head coaches will contact participants about 2 weeks prior to the start of the season with practice schedules and locations.

Football practices are initially 10 hours per week until school starts. After school starts, practices can only be 6 hours per week.

Cheerleading practices will be 6 hours per week before and after school starts.

All practices are limited to no longer than 2 hours a day.

Games:

All teams will play 7 regular season games and will end on October 9th.

Competitive-level teams (Junior Pee Wee and up) can continue on through the playoffs which end with Nationals in December.

Cheerleaders should be at every game to give their support to the football players and football players should go to the Cheer Competition in October to give their support to their cheerleaders.

Travel:

There is travel for competitions and games. Regular season games are played in Northern Indiana (Portage, Schererville, Gary, etc).

Post season games and competitions are played at the Regional level and can be much further away (Michigan, Missouri, Illinois, and Ohio).

For teams fortunate enough to make it to Nationals, you will be traveling to Walt Disney World in Florida.

As parents, you will be fully responsible for travel expenses.

Football:

Football players will be provided with uniforms and protective equipment such as helmets and padding. Parents will be responsible for cleats, mouthpieces, and protective cups. Players should be prepared to bring plenty of water to games and practices.

Cheerleading:

Cheerleaders will be provided with their uniforms. Parents will be responsible for shoes, hair bows, and briefs. These items will be ordered through VPW. Cheerleaders should be prepared to bring plenty of water to games and practices.