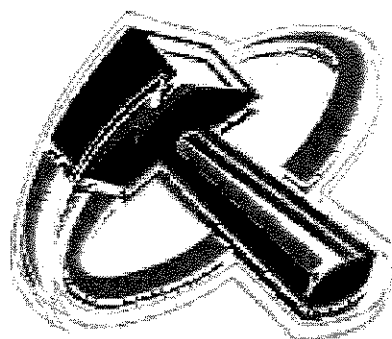


# **WOODSTOCK THUNDER**



## **Tackle Football**

### **2010 WELCOME AND INFORMATION PACKET**

Welcome to the Woodstock Thunder Youth Football Organization. This information packet has been put together to help answer questions you may have for the 2010 season. Please take this information with you once you complete registration. The Registration forms, which you will need to fill out, are located at the end of this packet. Should you have questions that are not answered in this packet, please speak with one of the WYF volunteers or coaches at registration. You can also visit the Woodstock Youth Football web site @ [www.wtyfc.com](http://www.wtyfc.com) for more info. Once again, the Woodstock Youth Football organization welcomes you.

The Board Members for this year is comprised as follows:

<b>John Deignan</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Keith Bein</b>	<b>Vice President</b>
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<b>William Martys</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Kate Detwiler</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Mike Nihan</b>	<b>VP of Football</b>
<b>Kelly Bush</b>	<b>VP of Cheerleading</b>

### Organization Info

The WYF are members of the Chicagoland Youth Football League, or TCYFL. The TCYFL is made up of teams from Northern Illinois.

The WYF football teams are divided into 5 levels or divisions: Bantam, Featherweights, Middleweights, Lightweights, and Heavyweights. The different levels are determined by age and weight as described below. The TCYFL has a Saturday and a Sunday league, which are a competitive league with playoffs for each level. For more information on the TCYFL, visit the TCYFL Web site at [www.tcyfl.net](http://www.tcyfl.net).

## **Our Divisions are divided as follows:**

- **Bantams**

- o The Bantam division is made up of players 7 and 8 years of age. Maximum weight for the Bantam division is 87 lbs.

- **Featherweights**

- o The Featherweight division has a maximum age of 10 years old. Maximum weight for the Featherweight division is 97 lbs.

Younger Heavier- up to 117lbs

- **Middleweights**

- o The Middleweight division has a maximum age of 12 years old. Maximum weight for the Middleweight division is 107 lbs.

Younger Heavier- up to 127lbs

- **Lightweights**

- o The Lightweight division has a maximum age of 14 years old. Maximum weight for the Middleweight division is 123 lbs.

Younger Heavier- up to 143lbs

- **Heavyweights**

- The heavyweight Division has a maximum age of 14 years old. There is no maximum weight limit for the Heavyweight division.

Please speak to a Woodstock Youth Football Board member if you have any questions concerning any of these exceptions. Also, for more information, go to <http://www.tcyfi.net>

## Registration

Registration prices are as follows:

- Tackle Football Registration Fee \$225.00 and \$200.00 for each additional child. Make payment out to Woodstock Youth Football.

We also will require an equipment deposit fee.

This can be paid by check or credit card. Your check or credit card will not be deposited or run unless the equipment is not turned in.

The Registration Fee is the basic fee for playing football, and covers the costs of providing equipment, insurance, fields, etc. for the players. Players may register by attending one of the registration sessions. Should a player miss the registration sessions, the player may sign up by contacting someone through the web site.

## Equipment

The WYF will provide almost all of the equipment that your player will need for tackle football. The THUNDER will provide:

- NOCSA Approved Helmet
- Shoulder Pads
- Hip, Thigh, Knee, and Butt pads.
- Girdle
- Practice Pants
- Practice Jersey
- Game Pants
- Game Jersey
- Belt
- Mouth guard

The player is expected to provide football shoes, athletic supporter, and cup. ALL male players are required to wear an athletic supporter and cup.

The WYF take great pride in the equipment that they provide, and go to great expense each year to make sure that equipment is in good condition. We ask that you please take care of the equipment provided to you. The WYF do not allow players to modify equipment, such as cutting sleeves out of practice jerseys. Should a player lose or damage equipment, outside of normal wear and tear, the player will be required to replace the equipment at his/her expense.

When caring for the equipment provided by the WYF, please follow these guidelines:

- Helmet, Shoulder Pads, Knee Pads: Wipe down with a damp, soapy cloth and wipe dry.
- Practice pants, and practice jersey: Machine wash in warm or hot water, tumble dry.
- Game Pants, Game Jersey, Girdle: Machine wash in cold water, tumble dry.

## Practice

The WYF will start practice in late July, 2009. Players will be contacted via postcard about practice dates and parent meetings. In the event that the WYF player should elect to quit WYF Football after August 1, 2009, the WYF will not refund any registration fees.

The goal of the WYF organization is to teach your child the fundamentals of tackle football, team skills, and, above all, good sportsmanship. The W.Y.F play in a competitive tackle football league, against teams from other towns and villages. The WYF hold practice four-five nights per week at the beginning of the season, and three nights per week once the season starts. The WYF coaches will determine what nights they will practice once the season begins. WYF coaches may hold Saturday practices at their discretion. The first ten hours of practice will be held without pads, per IHSA rules. Players will need to have their helmet and practice jersey for the first ten hours. On the first day of practice, all players should come to practice wearing their full practice outfit, including all pads. Practices sites and times will be announced in July 2010.

All players must be covered by a health plan.

## Miscellaneous Items

The WYF are a not for profit organization, and as such are run by volunteers. When you register your child, you will be required to sign up for a volunteer session. There are several areas that you may choose, including working concessions, team parent, pictures, chain gang, etc.

The WYF will also hold a MANDATORY Parents Meeting in late July. You will be notified by mail of the actual date. Please plan to attend, since you will be given important information about the upcoming season.

The WYF have always prided themselves on being a quality organization. You and your player will be required to sign the codes of conduct at the Registration and/or Parents Meeting.

The WYF are doing this to ensure that we educate and communicate to both players and parents what we consider to be appropriate behavior, both on and off the playing field, and make sure that we have your agreement that you will conduct yourselves appropriately.

With all of this in mind, we would like to welcome you to the WYF. If you have questions, feel free to contact the WYF coaches, or Board Members at the e-mail addresses listed below, or drop us a line to the Woodstock Youth Football via the Web site.

Web site: [www.wtyfc.com](http://www.wtyfc.com)

Thank you for allowing your child to participate in one of the premier youth football programs in the State of Illinois, and most of all....

# **WELCOME TO THE WOODSTOCK YOUTH FOOTBALL**

**REGISTRATION TO PLAY YOUTH FOOTBALL - 2010**  
**WOODSTOCK THUNDER YOUTH FOOTBALL. REGISTRATION FORM**

Player Name/ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Mo. /Day / Yr. \_\_\_\_\_

League Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents: Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address City State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School Child will Attend in 2010/School District: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade player will be in on 9-1-10 \_\_\_\_\_

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

I/We, the parents or legal guardian of the above named candidate for participation in the Woodstock Youth football also referred to herein as Thunder Youth Football, hereby give my/our approval to participate in any and all Tri-County Youth Football League and WYF Youth Football. Activities, including transportation to and from the activities.

I/We also authorize the WYF Youth Football to keep copies of information provided to it in both paper and electronic form. I/We know that participation in Football may result in serious injury, and that protective equipment does not prevent all injuries to players, and do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless the local Tri-County Youth Football League, the WYF Youth Football. The organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants and persons transporting my/our child to and from activities for any claim arising out of any injury to my/our child, whether the result of negligence or for any other cause, except to the extent and in the amount covered by accident or liability insurance. I/We agree to return upon request the uniform and other equipment issued to my/our child in as good a condition as when received except for normal wear and tear, and within the timeframes established by the WYF Youth Football.

I/We agree to provide a certified birth certificate of the above named candidate to League Officials.  
Parents \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Player: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLAYERS INFORMATION**

Approximate Player Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Player helmet size: \_\_\_\_\_

Jersey Size: S \_\_\_\_\_ M: \_\_\_\_\_ L: \_\_\_\_\_ XL: \_\_\_\_\_

Pant Size: S \_\_\_\_\_ M: \_\_\_\_\_ L: \_\_\_\_\_ XL: \_\_\_\_\_

Shoulder Pads Size: S \_\_\_\_\_ M: \_\_\_\_\_ L: \_\_\_\_\_ XL: \_\_\_\_\_

Girdle Size: S \_\_\_\_\_ M: \_\_\_\_\_ L: \_\_\_\_\_ XL: \_\_\_\_\_

**TCYFL YOUTH FOOTBALL**

I/We do hereby for myself/ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators waive, release and forever discharge any and all rights and claims for damages which we may have or which hereafter accrue to our child, against the Tri-County Youth Football League, Inc., the WYF Youth Football, and the sponsors, the administrators of the playing field, or all their respective officers, directors, volunteers, agents or representatives, successors, and/or assigns for any and all damages which may be sustained and suffered by our child in connection with his/her said association with or entry and/or arising out of his/her traveling to, participation in, and return from said League games or exhibitions conducted during the season, practices attended and any and all other , WYF Youth Football functions attended. By signing our/my signature below, I/we are fully aware that we are responsible for all injuries that may occur to our child during the Tri-County Youth Football League, Inc. season and practices therefore. I/We hereby acknowledge that the league recommends, but does not require a thorough physical exam prior to participation.

Father Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Minor Waiver/Release Form

## RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR MINOR PARTICIPANTS READ BEFORE SIGNING

IN CONSIDERATION OF \_\_\_\_\_, my minor child/ward being allowed to participate in the WOODSTOCK YOUTH FOOTBALL program, I agree to this release of liability for he/she to participate in any way in the WOODSTOCK YOUTH FOOTBALL (herein also referred to as the "WYF") program, related events and activities of the WYF. The undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1. The risk of injury to my child from the activities involved in these programs is significant, including the potential for permanent disability and death, and while particular rules, equipment and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of injury does exist; and,

2. FOR MYSELF, SPOUSE, AND CHILD, 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 CHILD, and,

3. I willingly agree to comply with the program participation. If I observe any unusual significant concern in my child, in the program itself, I will remove my child from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,

4. I, for myself, my spouse, my child and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE WOODSTOCK Youth Football Program, its directors, officers, volunteers, and other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event (herein collectively referred to herein as the "Released Parties") from any and all liability whatsoever, WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH OR OTHER DETRIMENTAL EVENT ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE AND/OR WILFUL ACTS OF THE RELEASED PARTIES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

5. I, for myself, my spouse, my child and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS all the above Released Parties from any and all liabilities incident to my or my child's/ward's involvement or participation in these programs, EVEN ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE OR WILFUL ACTS, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTIONS OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

X \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent/Guardian Signature) (Print Name) (Date)

### UNDERSTANDING OF RISK

I understand the seriousness of the risks involved in participating in this program, my personal responsibilities for adhering to rules and regulations, and accept them as a participant.

X \_\_\_\_\_

(Participant Signature) (Print Name) (Date)

## Woodstock Youth Football Parent and Participant Code of Conduct for 2010

This Code of Conduct was developed to insure an environment that encourages good behavior, fair play, respect, and fun. WOODSTOCK YOUTH FOOTBALL organization requires all parents and participants to support and actively practice this Code of Conduct. Under this Code of Conduct, Parents and Participants shall:

- 1. Play Fair.** Fair play means respect. Winning is without value if victory has been achieved unfairly or dishonestly. Cheating is easy, but brings no pleasure in the game. Playing fair requires courage and character. It is always more satisfying. Fair play always has its rewards, even when the game is lost. Playing fair earns you respect, while cheaters are detested. Remember: it is only a game, and games are pointless unless played fairly.
- 2. Observe the Rules of the Game.** All games need rules to guide them. Without rules, there would be chaos. The rules of football are simple and easy to learn. Make an effort to learn them, so you understand the game better. They are designed to make the game fun to play and fun to watch.
- 3. Respect Opponents, Teammates, Game Officials, Volunteer Coaches, Board Members, and Spectators.** These people have the same rights as you, including the right to be respected, and are also a part of the game. Without opponents, there can be no game. Do not criticize players, an opposing team or its players, coaches, cheerleaders, or fans by word of mouth or by gesture, but reserve constructive criticism for later, in private. Spectators give the game atmosphere. They want to see the game played fairly, but must also behave fairly themselves. As a parent, I agree to not go on the playing field, to not criticize officials, coaches, players or opposing players, and I agree to not make any physical touching of any opposing team members or Thunder team members.
- 4. Not Criticize Game Officials.** Game officials are there to maintain discipline and fair play. Accept decisions made by game officials as being fair and made to the best of their ability. Players and coaches must accept responsibility for their own actions and behavior.
- 5. Play to Win.** Winning is the object of the game. Never set out to lose. If you do not play to win, you are cheating your opponents, deceiving those who are watching, and fooling yourself. Never give up against stronger opponents, but never relent against weaker ones. It is an insult to any opponent to play at less than full effort. Play to win until the final whistle.
- 6. Accept Defeat with Dignity.** Nobody wins all the time. You win some, and you lose some. Learn to lose graciously. Don't seek excuses for defeat; genuine reasons will always be self-evident. Congratulate the winners with good grace. Don't blame the game officials or anyone else. Decide to do and be better next time.
- 7. Observe the Rules and Restrictions of the Locations at which we play.** Please refrain from the use of tobacco, alcohol, or illegal substances, at all Woodstock games and practices. Avoid those things that impair your ability to make good judgments in the things that you do.

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Participant (Print Name) Parent (Print Name)

Participant (Signature) Parent (Signature)

WOODSTOCK YOUTH FOOTBALL

Emergency Medical Treatment Authorization and Information

Participant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Physician Name \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Physician Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Medical Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Policy Holder Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note any known medical conditions, medications, or allergies that Participant has or any special considerations that coaches should know about

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

As the Parent/Legal Guardian of the above named participant, I/We do herewith authorize treatment by the local emergency medical service and/or a qualified and licensed medical physician, nurse, or Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) in the case of an emergency which, in the opinion of the ambulance/emergency service and/or attending physician, nurse, or EMT may endanger the named participant's life, causing disfigurement, physical impairment or undue discomfort if delayed. This authority is granted while a reasonable effort is being made to contact me at the above emergency contact phone number. This form is completed and signed of my own free will and with the sole purpose of authorizing medical treatment under emergency circumstances in my absence.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

WOODSTOCK YOUTH FOOTBALL  
2010 Media Release  
Media Release

I, the undersigned, give the WOODSTOCK YOUTH FOOTBALL  
Organization permission to use my child's or ward's name and image in  
any media or published format.

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Exclusions: \_\_\_\_\_

## Woodstock Youth Football Volunteer Form

Like most youth sports organizations, the WYF depend on support from individuals volunteering their time to help with various functions that are required for putting on the games. The WYF ask that parents volunteer to support the organization by selecting at least one of the functions listed below, and that they be available for two (2) dates per season. Once the game schedules and teams are set, you will be contacted regarding scheduling a time to fulfill your obligation. Thanks in advance for your support.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please place an X in the box next to the function(s) you would like to volunteer for. If you select a position that requires some training, we will make sure that you get it.

Team Parent – Works with the Coaches to make sure that team communications get to parents; such as maps, game time changes, or team functions, etc...	Field Set Up/Tear Down – Sets up down markers, field markers, and chains. Takes down field equipment after game and puts it away. Helps with striping the game and practice fields as required.
Water Person – Responsible for making sure that the water coolers and ice are provided and filled for each game, home and away.	Chain Gang – Works the chains on the sidelines during home games. You can work the game before or after yours if you would like.
Game Announcer – Announces at home games.	Game Reporter – Responsible for writing game summary that can posted on team Web site.
Time/Scorekeeper – Responsible for running the clock and keeping the score at home games. (we will train)	Game Photographer - Takes pictures and sends them to Webmaster for Web site.
	Game Videographer – Video tapes games for coaches.
Field Marshall – This person is the single point of contact at the game field for home games. The Field Marshall administers the weigh-in for the teams, calls an ambulance when needed, calls police if needed, and makes sure that things flow smoothly (will need to be present at minimum of 3 games).	Concessions Manager – At the game either immediately preceding or proceeding your child's game, you will help with running the concessions stand and/or setting up or tearing down the concessions stand.