

# SHAKOPEE YOUTH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

## 2011 Team Selection Process

### Flag Teams (1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades)

Teams are selected immediately during player evaluations.

### In-House Tackle Teams (4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grades)

- Sort the top & bottom 24 by weight (Heavyweights/Lightweights) the rest are middle weights. PAY NO ATTENTION TO WHO ARE COACHES AT THIS POINT.
- Sort them by their rankings from the evaluations within those weight classes. If the player missed some or all of the evaluations, the draft committee will place that player in the rankings.
- Player to team selections will be done by a draft committee, not by coaches.**
- Starting with the heavyweights, place kids on teams automatically based on their ranking in a serpentine order (for instance in a 6 team league: 1-2-3-4-5-6-6-5-4-3-2-1-1-2...). If it helps, put their names under a team on a whiteboard as they are assigned for everyone to see. At this point, coaches are not assigned to a specific team.
- Repeat for Lightweights, starting with the team that selected last in the HW1 round.
- Repeat for Middleweights, starting with the team that selected in the middle of the HW1 round.
- At this point go to the board and circle all the head coaches' players on the board. Any head coaches that are NOT on the board add them to a team that does NOT have a head coach. Do not try to juggle assistant coaches at this point. If 2 or more head coaches are on a team then trade them to a team that does not have a head coach by swapping their son for the player in the same exact column of HW1/HW3/LW1 or whatever it may be.
- Do the same for any chosen assistant coaches.
- Look for any further assistant coaches' players on the board. Try to even out the possible assistants across all teams.

NOTE: Be cautious when changing kids that are in the HW1/LW1/MW1 rows. There is usually some difference between the #1-2 and the #5-6. I would sometimes do a 2 person change if you are exchange between teams to keep it even:

*Example: Team 6 needed to trade their LW1 to Team 2. It would go like this:*

*Team 6: gives the current LW1 and LW3 and receives from Team 2 their LW1 and LW2.*

This keeps the total strength of the team about the same. Again.....MINIMIZE any trading when possible, it is good for coaches to work with new coaches.

	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6
HW 1	1	2	3	4	5	6
HW 2	12	11	10	9	8	7
HW 3	13	14	15	16	17	18
HW 4	24	23	22	21	20	19
LW 1	6	5	4	3	2	1
LW 2	7	8	9	10	11	12
LW 3	18	17	16	15	14	13
LW 4	19	20	21	22	23	24
MW 1	4	5	6	1	2	3
MW 2	9	8	7	12	11	10
MW 3	16	17	18	13	14	15
MW 4	21	20	19	24	23	22
MW 5	28	29	30	25	26	27
MW 6	33	32	31	36	35	34

## Travel Teams (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades)

The travel team selection will use a controlled, serpentine draft system, with **coaches selecting their teams**.

Divide players in to 3 or 4 groups by weight. Rank players by weight class - below 80 lbs, 80 to 99 lbs, 100 to 119lbs, and 120 lbs & higher or evenly dividing up all players ranked by weight.

Teams pick cards ace through 4 (for 4 teams). The team with the ace goes first in the heaviest weight class, with the 2 card picking second and so on. If a team picks first in the first round, they would pick last in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the same weight class. In this controlled draft, each team would get a selection out of the **next best eight** (twice the window of the number of teams) **players available in that weight class** at the time they would pick. Each team will have eight players to choose from since it is a "rolling" draft.

The player's ranking would be based on the evaluation system score that each player was given at evaluation week. If a coach's son is in the group of the next best eight players, that team will get the coach's son automatically.

Once all players are picked in that weight class, then the team with the #3 card gets to select first in the next highest weight class, while the team with the #2 card will pick last in the first round of the second weight class. See chart below for clarification.

Playing Card =	<u>A</u> ce	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
<b>120 lbs &amp; over</b>	1	2	3	4
	8	7	6	5
	9	10	11	12
	16	15	14	13
<b>100-119 lbs</b>	3	4	1	2
	6	5	8	7
	11	12	9	10
	14	13	16	15
<b>80-99 lbs</b>	4	1	2	3
	5	8	7	6
	12	9	10	11
	13	16	15	14
<b>Under 80 lbs</b>	2	3	4	1
	7	6	5	8
	10	11	12	9
	15	14	13	16