



# AMERICAN YOUTH FOOTBALL

## Volunteer Forms



REQUIRED FOR REGIONAL AND NATIONAL PARTICIPATION

Volunteer forms must be presented for compliance verification prior to any team participation in any American Youth Football, Inc., American Youth Cheer dba, Regional, National sanctioned event.

All Coach / Volunteers must complete the following paperwork in order to be allowed to participate in any American Youth Football, Inc., American Youth Cheer dba, Regional, National sanctioned event.

### **Image Release ADULT**

### **Waiver Release of Liability ADULT**

NOTE: Coach and the Team designated Mandatory Play Monitor, Team Photographer, must have these forms completed or they will not be allowed on the field.

Any form / document used for your local Association / Conference must be reviewed by your local council to insure it's compliance with all of your state and local statutes. AYF makes no representation or warrantee that any of these conditions have been met.



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## Image Release - ADULT

ASSOCIATION NAME - \_\_\_\_\_



### READ BEFORE SIGNING

I (insert name) \_\_\_\_\_, in consideration of being allowed to participate in any way, in the American Youth Football, Inc. ("AYF") (dba American Youth Football and American Youth Cheer,) national championships and any other official AYF events and activities, do hereby grant to American Youth Football Inc., the unrestricted right and permission, free from approval or review, to copyright and/or use my likeness in any and all media now or hereafter known, including but not limited to, pictures and videos of which I may be included intact or in part for promotion or other commercial use.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature:

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



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## Amateur Athletic Waiver and Release of Liability - Adult



ASSOCIATION NAME - \_\_\_\_\_

### READ BEFORE SIGNING

IN CONSIDERATION OF being allowed to participate in any way in the American Youth Football (AYF) or American Youth Cheer Regional/National Championships, football and or cheer programs of \_\_\_\_\_, the Local Organization, which is a legally distinct and organization not operated or controlled by American Youth Football, despite its membership with American Youth Football, Inc. acknowledges and agrees that:

- 1) The risk of injury from the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for permanent disability, paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,
- 2) 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 participation; and,
- 3) I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, and/or in the program itself, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,
- 4) I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS American Youth Football, Inc. the Local Organization, their respective officers, directors, officials, volunteers, agents, and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ( RELEASEES ), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION 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.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Participant's Name:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Signature:

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

### FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the Releasees, and for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child/ward's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent/Guardian:

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Phone Number: (     )

**NOTE:** This form as with any and all forms used by your Association should be reviewed by your local council for compliance with any state or local statutes. This form should be kept on file for a minimum of 7 years, longer in the event of an injury. Please confer with your local attorney for advice as to the appropriate maintenance and storage term for this and all such forms.



**Johnston Panthers**  
**Youth Football and Cheerleading**  
**2019 Coaching Application**

Football Head Coach ☐ Cheer Head Coach ☐

Football Assistant Coach ☐ Cheer Assistant Coach ☐

Team Mom ☐

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Team Level/Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

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

- ☐ I, the applicant, affirm that all the information I have provided is true and correct. \_\_\_\_\_(Initials)
- ☐ Johnston Panthers Youth Football and Cheerleading program requires all Coaching Staff to submit and pass a background and criminal history check as a condition for approval for the applied volunteer position. This application does not guarantee a position as a coach in the Johnston Panthers league. Incomplete forms will not be considered. I understand that this background check is performed to reasonably ensure the safety of the youth participants involved in these activities. \_\_\_\_\_(Initials)
- ☐ *ALL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND ASSOCIATED INFORMATION WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL*
- ☐ I understand the organization can deny any applicant for any reason or for no reason at all. I hereby waive all claims of liability against Johnston Panthers Youth Football and Cheerleading for denial of any volunteer appointment whether or not the denial is based on errors in background check. \_\_\_\_\_(Initials)

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Head Coaching Job Description**

All applications should go to the appropriate Coordinator only.

**Regardless of qualifications, a candidate cannot be selected for a head coach positions without completing an application form, passing the mandatory background check, completing AYF/AYC certifications, attending at least six (6) league meetings, signing the Code of Conduct, and approval by the League Board of Directors.**

- ☐ Head Coaches are responsible for the behavior of all team coaches and volunteers. If at any time one of the team volunteers is ejected the Head Coach will also be suspended for a minimum of 1 game per BVAYF rules. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)
- ☐ Head Coaches are responsible for their team's book during the season. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)
- ☐ Head Coaches are responsible for handing in weekly practice attendance forms, MPR forms, game absentee and disciplinary forms to the football/cheer coordinator. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)
- ☐ Head Coaches are required to volunteer for at least one home game not including one's own team. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)
- ☐ Head Coaches are required to participate and support league fundraising events. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)
- ☐ Head Coaches are required to provide at least three (3) game day volunteers. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)
- ☐ Coaches may not sit out any participant without filling out and having the parent and coordinator sign the appropriate paperwork. All discipline will be discussed with the appropriate coordinator. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)
- ☐ Returning Coaches previous season behavior, feedback from parents, other coaches, and any comments from BVAYF will be considered for the current season. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)

## **Head Coaching Document Requirements:**

- ☐ *Attach a copy of your RI Driver's license*
- ☐ *Concussion Test Certificate (Free) [www.CDC.Gov](http://www.CDC.Gov)*
- ☐ *A recent (2019) Background check \$5 at time of this application*
- ☐ *Signed copy of the Code of Conduct*
- ☐ *Passing the AYF/AYC Coaching Tests (Available in July)*
- ☐ *Passing the SmarterFootball.org Coaching Tests*

*Head coaches are required to give team parents contact information. Two forms of contact information are required. Please include the contact information the secretary will be able to give team parents*

## **Assistant Coaching/ Team Mom Job Description**

All applications should go to the appropriate Coordinator only.

**Regardless of qualifications, a candidate cannot be selected for an assistant coach positions without completing an application form, passing the mandatory background check, completing AYF/AYC certifications, attending at least three (3) league meetings, signing the Code of Conduct, and approval by the Board of Directors.**

- ☐ Assistant Coaches and Team Moms are selected by the Head Coach and approved by the Board of Directors. A Head Coach can remove an Assistant Coach from the team at any time with approval from the Board of Directors. \_\_\_\_\_(Initials)
- ☐ Assistant Coaches and Team Moms represent their team, and their behavior can affect the outcome of the game, and future games. If at any time one of the assistant coaches or team volunteers is ejected the ejection period will be depending on the reason ejected, and the suspension time will be a minimum of one (1) game up to a full season (as voted on by a board of Presidents in BVAYF), and the Head Coach will also be suspended for a minimum of 1 game per BVAYF rules. \_\_\_\_\_(Initials)
- ☐ Assistant Coaches/ Team Mom must be 18 years old. \_\_\_\_\_(Initials)
- ☐ Assistant Coaches/Team Mom are required to volunteer during home games, each week, not including one's own team. \_\_\_\_\_(Initials)
- ☐ Assistant Coaches/Team Mom are required to participate and support league fundraising events. \_\_\_\_ (Initials)
- ☐ Returning Coaches/ Team Moms previous season behavior, feedback from parents, other coaches, and any comments from BVAYF will be considered for the current season. \_\_\_\_\_(Initials)

## **Assistant Coaching/ Team Mom Document Requirements:**

- ☐ *Attach a copy of your RI Driver's license*
- ☐ *Concussion Test Certificate (Free) [www.CDC.Gov](http://www.CDC.Gov)*
- ☐ *A recent (2018) Background check \$5 at time of this application*
- ☐ *Signed copy of the Code of Conduct*
- ☐ *Passing the AYF/AYC Coaching Tests (Available in July)*
- ☐ *Passing the SmarterFootball.org Coaching Tests*

## 2019 AYF Code of Conduct Form

This is American Youth Football, not the pros. Fans, as well as the players and coaches, are expected to abide by a code of conduct at all American Youth Football Events. While 99% of the adults in the program will abide by this code without being told, this code is being published to protect the children and volunteers (which include all coaches and board members) from the 1%.

Coaches will abide by a Code of Conduct which includes the provisions which follow. If any of these rules are broken, **JYFC** shall have the authority to remove and/or replace the coach.

### ***Coaches shall:***

- Not criticize the players/cheerleaders or coaches in front of the other spectators in the stands, but reserve constructive criticism for later, in private.
  - Accept decisions of the game officials on the field as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials. Any complaints about field, officiating, or opposing teams should be made privately to the Coordinators.
  - Not criticize an opposing team, its players, coaches, or fans by work of mouth or by gesture.
  - Refrain from using physical or verbal abuse or profane language at any time at the game, practice field, or other AYF functions.
  - Abstain from being under the influence of or in possession of and/or drinking alcoholic beverages and the possession or use of any illegal substance on both the game and practice fields.
  - Not be allowed on the sidelines during any other teams game.
  - Not interfere/interrupt other teams coaching staff before, during or after games or at practice.
  - Not express complaints about other coaches or the Johnston Panthers organization in front of or around the children (i.e. right after a game or during practice).
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I have read the **Coach's Code of Conduct** and understand what is expected.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*This application is valid for one (1) year. A new application has to be completed each season.*

# **2019 Social Media Policy**

The use of social media can be problematic when players, cheerleaders, coaches, or administrators use social media to berate, incite, insult, harass, etc. other players, cheerleaders, coaches, administrators, teams, or Associations by publishing, posting, or distributing inappropriate content including racially charged remarks. As individuals and as an organization, we need to have a zero tolerance policy for this behavior. As such, any player, cheerleader, coach, or administrator publishing, posting, distributing, etc. inappropriate content as described above on social media will be suspended for the remainder of the current season, including any post season play with no right for appeal. To ensure consistency in the implementation of the aforementioned suspension, three members of the Blackstone Valley Executive Board must agree that the offense meets the criteria outlined above.

I have read the **2019 Social Media Policy** and understand what is expected.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_