

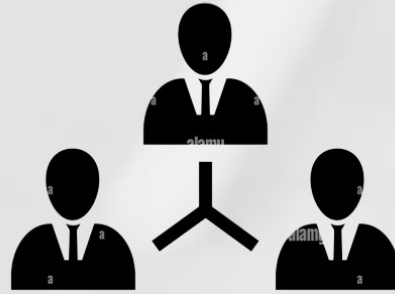


# YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE MEETING



**JANUARY 19, 2025**  
**EMBASSY SUITES BY HILTON**  
**MINNEAPOLIS NORTH**

# ALL AGENDA ITEMS REPRESENT A UNIFIED RECOMMENDATION



**Developed through extensive collaboration and thoughtful dialogue during multiple meetings and exchanges with Dawson Blanck, Kevin Johnston, and John Swanson over the past two months. This collective effort underscores our shared commitment to enhancing community-based youth football.**

**ALL ITEMS ARE OPEN FOR DISCUSSION**

# LEAGUE FORMAT

- **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- **MANAGING DIRECTORS**

- Dawson Blanck & Designated MYAS Team Members  
(Grades 2-8 Comprehensive League Management Services)
- Kevin Johnston  
(Grades 2-6 Scheduling/Management & Supervisor of Officials)
- John Swanson (Grades 7-8 Scheduling)



- **COMPREHENSIVE LEAGUE ENTRY FEES INCLUDE:**

- ✓ **Managing Directors**
- ✓ **MYAS League Management Services**
- ✓ **Supervisor of Officials**
- ✓ **Game Officials and Assignor Fees**
- ✓ **MYAS Bookkeeping/Accounting Services**
- ✓ **League Kickoff Weekend @ National Sports Center- Blaine, MN**

# ASSOCIATION GOVERNANCE

- **LEAGUE ADVISORY BOARD**

- **Each participating association will designate one (1) Board Member to serve on the League Advisory Board**

- **This Advisory Board will oversee and govern the league, ensuring collaboration and effective decision-making among all participating associations. This Advisory Board would be facilitated by the Managing Directors of the League**



# ASSOCIATION ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- ✓ **All associations must agree to a series of “Best Practices” that fosters a safe, positive and productive experience for the youth football players participating in this league.**



## **Standards-**

- **Bona fide (consisting of multiple teams)**
- **Perpetual (intended to exist from year to year).**
- **Democratic (bylaws, free election of officers, open coach selection process, and open forums)**

# TEAM COMPOSITION and PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- **Community-based teams are comprised of players who are from the community in which their parents or legal guardian reside or in which they attend school.**
- **Recognize teams if they are derived from a bona fide association (consisting of multiple teams of perpetual nature) or a school program within their boundaries according to their bylaws**
- **Player Documentation- Associations are responsible for collecting documentation that proves what grade each athlete is in and also what school they attend.**



**Ineligible Teams: Open/All Star & Independent Teams**

# Association & Team Management Guidelines



- **Association Portal Creation through *RegisterPlay***
  - Association Staff
  - Team Creation and Coach Assignment
- **Roster Submission through *RegisterPlay***
  - Will include player weight and school attendance
  - Minimum training, screening and education requirements for coaching staff (Trusted Coaches or USA Football)
    - Concussion Certification, Background Check and Child Safety Training
- **Required Coaches Meetings- 1<sup>st</sup> week of August**
  - Head Coach & Lead Asst.
- **Youth Football Coaches Clinic- last week of July**

# GRADE DIVISIONS OFFERED



**7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>  
GRADE**



**5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>  
GRADE**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>  
GRADE**

# GAME OFFICIALS

- **SUPERVISOR of OFFICIALS**
- **CONSISTENCY in GAME FEES**
- **VERIFICATION of GAME OFFICIALS**
  - **Trusted Officials Registered**
  - **MSHSL Certified**
  - **League Verified Status**

*training, screening, and education*



# PLAY DATES



- **REGULAR SEASON/BOWL GAMES:**  
(August 25-October 12)

- **Grades 2-4: 8 Games**
- **Grades 5-8: 9 Games**

- **ADDITIONAL LEAGUE OPPORTUNITY:**

- **Extended Season (October 21 – November 2)**

# PRELIMINARY TIMELINE AND NEXT STEPS

- **ACTION ITEMS**

- **Association Commitment by February 28th**

- **FOLLOW UP**

- **QUESTIONS?**

- **THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND DEDICATION TO YOUTH FOOTBALL!**

