

PIGSKIN TOURNAMENT

“One Man practicing sportsmanship is far better than 50 preaching it”
KNUTE ROCKNEY

Ensure all participants understand “**Good Sportsmanship**”. It is our experience that, during a game, each team can expect to receive 2-3 questionable calls by an Official. **Do not argue calls with the referees.** If you wish to discuss an official's call, speak **ONLY** to the White Hat (not the Line Judge on your side). The Officials are (High School level & above) from different states to maintain impartiality.

Should a player be ejected from a game by the Game Official, it may jeopardize the players ability to continue competing in the tournament. **FIGHTING by anyone will result in a game ejection and removal from the remainder of the tournament by NYA.** **Head coaches are ultimately responsible for the conduct of all coaches, players, parents and Spectators on the sideline.**

Should a parent be ejected for misconduct, they'll be escorted to the NYA League Office or parking lot until the conclusion of the game. Should an ejected person fail to immediately leave the game field when instructed, the NYA Administration will contact the City of Las Vegas, Park Marshalls to remove this person.

Please be advised as a team, the NYA Administration takes sportsmanship & proper conduct seriously. You have brought your children to participate in the tournament so **THEY** can have a **GREAT TIME** and leave with a positive and lifelong memory.

Any participants may be asked to show passes to be within the player and team boxed area on the sidelines.

The NYA Administrators will be present at the field during the games additionally, we have an on-site security patrol on the field. Should you need any assistance, locate the nearest administrator or security personnel.

The NYA will **NOT** provide a sports medicine trainer at the game fields. If there are any possible serious injuries, **DO NOT** move the player. **DO NOT** remove the players helmet. Find the nearest NYA administrator or security person immediately.

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What to Expect... and... What is Expected

- 1.** Your Team must check in as a Team Wednesday, as previously outlined in these rule expectations and regulations. **We are counting on you Coach.** This will help and assist everybody involved in assuring a solid and smooth foundation in moving the Tournament, the Bracketing and all those that follow the Rules Forward in an organized and Timely manner.
- 2. BEFORE** Every Game, Your Team, ONE Coach and Your Player book must present themselves for wristband and player inspection 60-90 minutes prior to game time. (AT EVENT HEADQUARTERS)
- 3.** All Players will receive a numbered Wristband Wednesday at your team check-in. This wristband is not to be tampered with, altered or, in Any Case..., ever to be removed, until the Conclusion of Final Game.
- 4.** If Your Team is scheduled to play the First Game on any of the three days, Your Team must be at the stage and Sound area immediately after team wristband check-in. We will be presenting Surprises each morning to the Audience, as well as, Recognizing Our National Anthem (Saturday) We will also recognize the Mexican and Canadian Anthem.
- 5.** All Coaches are to monitor Sidelines for ALL Participants and Families as outlined, at the conclusion of each game, a sideline CLEANUP is required in order to Present the Field to the next Teams in a clean and orderly manner. Should Your Team be presented with a field that is **NOT** Clean and Ready as we have outlined, immediately bring this infraction to the NYA Tournament attention the previous team will pay the \$25. We will be paying a groundskeeper to immediately remedy the unthoughtfulness of the previous coach. This coach will then pay that fine.

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This package contains the Final Documents necessary to participate in the National Youth Alliance “**Pigskin Tournament**”. If any information is incorrect please contact the NYA immediately. Please review your financial information immediately.

Please be advised, once a participant is registered for the tournament, there is **NO REFUND** if the participant drops from the tournament. Once registration, the NYA orders Shirts, Medals, Rings, Trophies, all the necessary support to operate the tournament. Should the person reserving the hotel room fail to attend the tournament, the team may be liable for the cost of the room if the reservations were not canceled according to the hotel policy. This is out of the control of NYA.

No roster additions will be made after final check-in, regardless of circumstances. Contact NYA officials for any special considerations or circumstances.

Teams must check in no later than 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday November 22rd. In the event of an emergency, immediately contact the NYA administration. Please have all paperwork, State ID’s or (Birth Certificates with Report Cards), ready for check-in. Players should be in numerical order.

Team check-ins will be very busy. Thus the earlier you check in, the less time. Any teams that can check in on Tuesday November 21st please contact NYA Administration to schedule a possible pre-check.

Any money owed by a team must be paid by cash app, zelle, or cash. No personal checks will be accepted

Please ensure all players have necessary equipment to compete. All players must have a mouthpiece and a cup and supporter. Failure to have proper equipment will result in a player being ineligible to compete in the tournament.

Be advised that Thanksgiving weekend is a very busy weekend. Traffic delays are possible, give yourself plenty of time to arrive at the fields if possible, it is suggested to arrange a shuttle from the hotel to your field. Contact your hotel upon check in regarding the shuttle or contact us at NYA as soon as possible.

Football Special Rules

40 second play clock

10 minute quarters (6u, 7u, 8u, 9u, 10u, 11u)

12 minute quarters (12u, 13u, 14u, 15u & Varsity)

Running clock until last 4 minutes of the (2nd & 4th) quarter & Overtime

Special Teams

(6u, 7u, 8u, 9u) ball starts on the 40-yard line

Punt options can be walked off 30 yards from the line of scrimmage or go for it on 4th down

(10u, 11u, 12u, 13u, 14u, 15u & Varsity) kick off from the 40-yard line

1 Time Out for quarters (1, 2 & 3) - does not carry over

2 Time Outs for 4th quarter - does not carry over

1 Time Out for each Overtime - does not carry over



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AGE

NAME OF TEAM

CITY & STATE

RULE BOOK

This Packet contains the forms, rules and procedures which must be adhered to for all teams participating in the **2023 NYA PIGSKIN** Tournament Hereafter referred to as NYA Tournament.

The NYA Tournament will be placed under the guidelines and rules associated with the pigskin tournament and the longstanding history. This experience has led us to play by a few rule exceptions. Please ask for and know these few exceptions. (outlined in this Rule Book as well as additionally explained on the website.)

The head coach of each team participating in the NYA Tournament is ultimately responsible for records keeping, team finances and the conduct of all participants, including Parent & Spectators attending the tournament. You must assign a team manager to assist you with your coordination Communications and keeping record for your team; however, having a trip manager does not relieve the head coach of any final responsibility.

We expect a large number of football teams and cheer squads to participate in the tournament. Due to the number of players, cheerleaders and coaches and parents expected to attend, we must limit the authority to contact the National Youth Alliance; to only the Head Coach and Team Mom. The NYA will not accept phone calls from parents. Parents must contact the head coach, who in turn, makes contact with the NYA for any additional information.

Failure to have the NYA Tournament Documents will prevent your team's acceptance into the tournament. These all team documents must be returned to the National Alliance at Team check-in.

Acceptance of the NYA Tournament Rules, Terms & Conditions

I have read and understand the Rules and the Terms of the National Youth Alliance regarding (My/Our) Team participating in the NYA Pigskin Tournament. I understand that all teams participating must arrive in Vegas no later than Wednesday. I further understand the failure to arrive on time may not allow the National Alliance to verify players ages, and team documents as a result the team was disqualified from the tournament. I understand the NYA Tournament begins on Thursday Thanksgiving and continues through Saturday. I have discussed these rules and exceptions with the proper conduct of the NYA tournament participants including not limited to Coaches, Players, Parents & Spectators who may be attending as representatives of (My-Our) Team. And are hereby accepted.

HEAD COACH

DATE

TEAM MOM

DATE