

Skyline Youth Football



Parent Information Night

Overview, Season Details and FAQ's



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AGENDA:

- Welcome to Skyline Youth Football
- Commitment to Safety
- Season Preparation and Important Dates
- The Importance of our Volunteers
- Coaches Corner: Mike Boden



Welcome to Skyline Youth Football

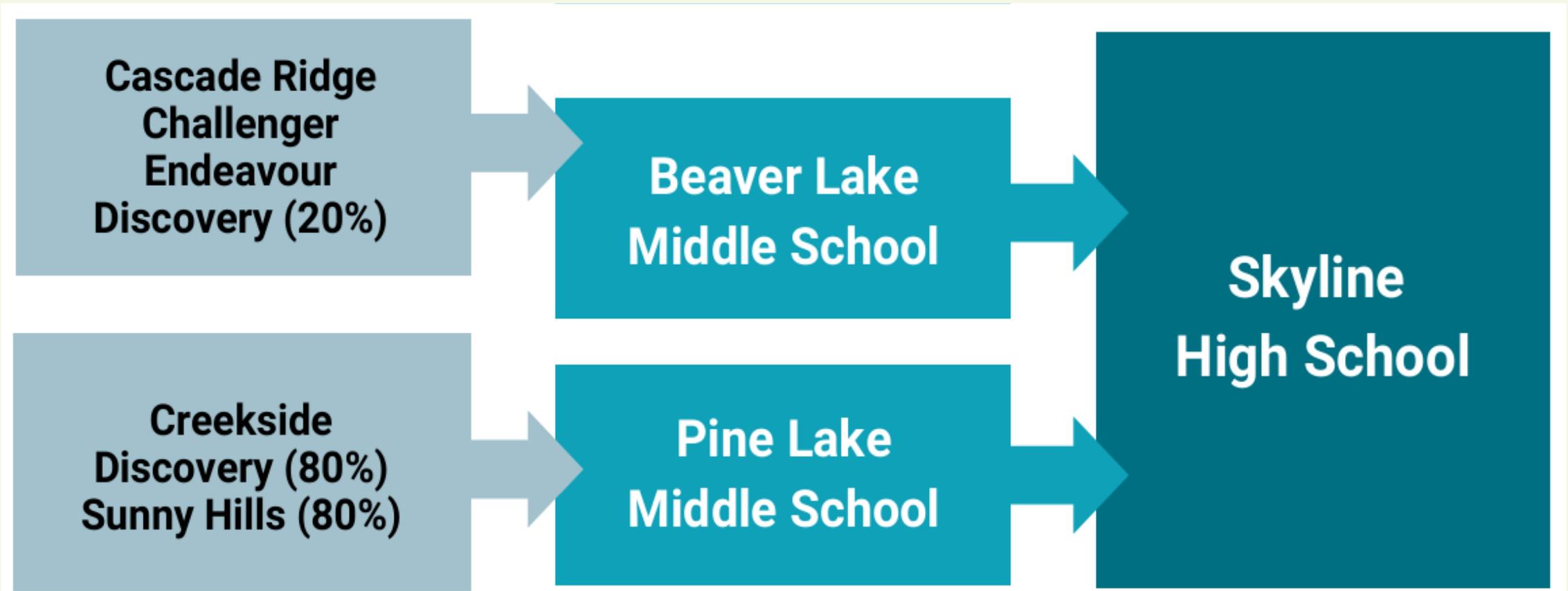
The Skyline Youth Football Association:

- Serving our community since 1998
- A community of 100+ Youth Football and 90+ Youth Cheer Athletes, 20+ Coaches, and countless parent volunteers
- A registered 501c3 non-profit, 100% volunteer-based organization
- A member of the Greater Eastside Junior Football Association (GEJFA)





We serve the entire Skyline HS community



Our Mission, Values, and Philosophy

Our Mission

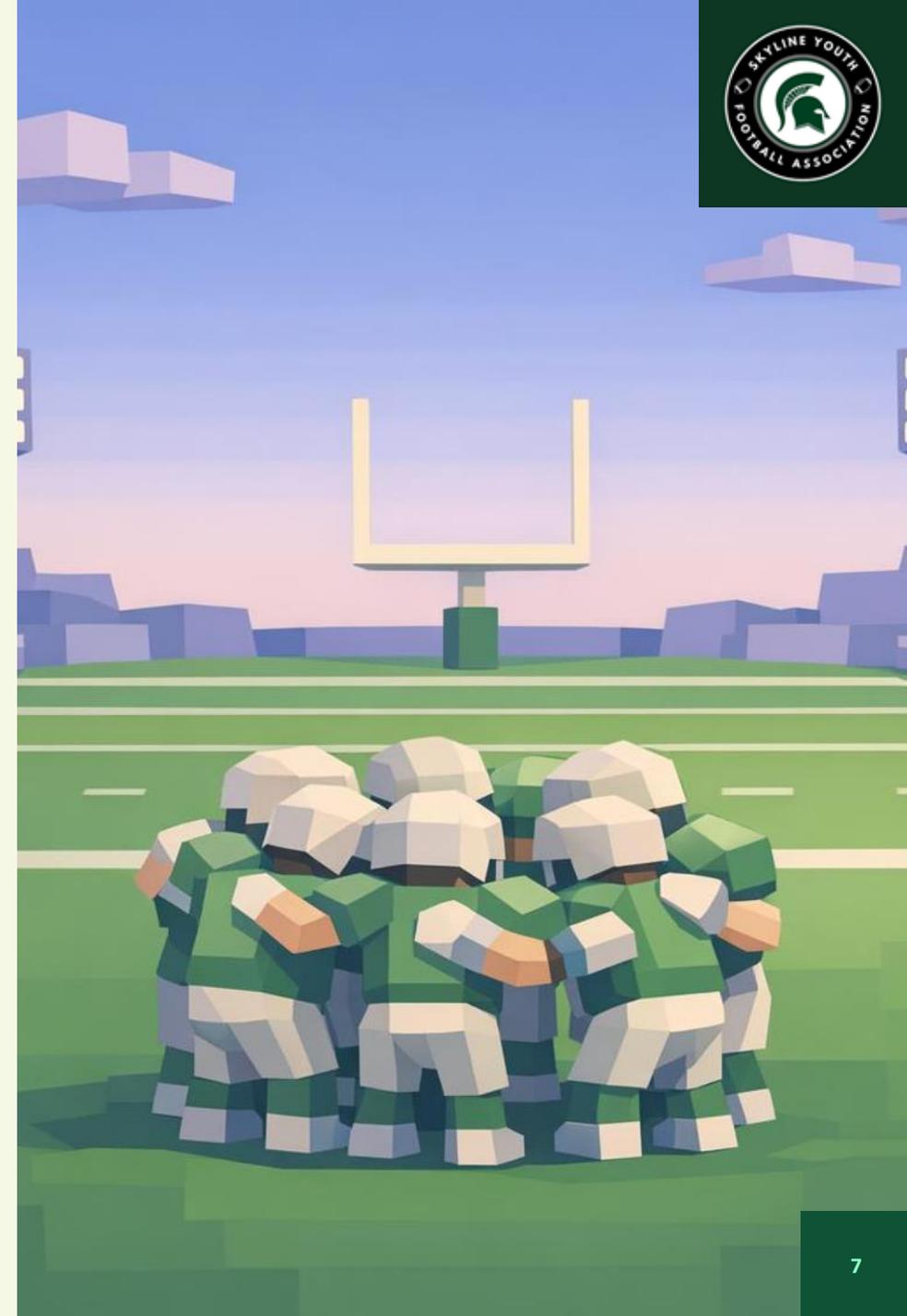
To build a strong youth football community that supports players of all skill levels in a fun, team first environment.

Core Values

Safety, respect, integrity, and commitment

Our Philosophy

We are a developmental league. That means all players play and success is measured not just in what we accomplish, but how we accomplish it. We strive to create an environment where everyone can grow and become better versions of themselves.



Commitment to Safety



SAFETY IS A TOP PRIORITY

- AGE & WEIGHT BASED TEAM LEVELS (Weigh-in verified every game)
- YEARLY REFURBISHMENT OF ALL HELMETS
- MANDATORY BACKGROUND CHECK OF ALL COACHES
- COACHES ARE USA OR NFHS CERTIFIED (Including Concussion and First Aid/Health Training)
- CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINER AT ALL HOME GAMES AND *MOST* AWAY GAMES
- ABUNDANCE OF CAUTION APPROACH

-23%

reduction in reported injuries

**2025 Season; Total GEJFA Participants*

1

reported concussion for SYFA

**2025 Season; out of 101 players*

Enhanced concussion protocols, controlled contact in practice, and safer blocking guidelines are supported by national sports health research. Policies also mandate updated equipment and sideline safety standards for youth welfare.

Season Preparation & Important Dates



Registration Now Open!

Link available at <https://skylineyouthfootball.com>

\$100

DISCOUNT

EARLY REGISTRATION

MARCH 1st – 31st

\$50

DISCOUNT

GENERAL REGISTRATION

APRIL 1st – 30st

\$0

DISCOUNT

LATE REGISTRATION

MAY 1st – 31st

FINAL: 2026 Registration Fee Schedule:

 Skyline Youth Football	Early	Reg	Late
Rookies	\$500	\$550	\$600
Cubs	\$600	\$650	\$700
Sophomores	\$700	\$750	\$800
Junior Varsity	\$700	\$750	\$800
Varsity	\$700	\$750	\$800

REFUND POLICY:

- **100%** If requested by June 13th
- **80%** If requested by Aug 22nd
- No Refunds after Aug 22nd

**If registering more than one player, a \$50 Multi-Player Discount will be automatically applied for each additional player at checkout*

YOUR FEES COVER THE ONGOING COSTS OF:



Equipment

Uniforms, Storage,
Replacement, Refurbishment



Operations

Fields, Insurance, Technology,
Marketing, Accounting Services



Staff Support

Trainings, Background Checks,
Athletic Trainers, Gear



EQUIPMENT:

SYFA PROVIDED:

- Helmets w/ Hard Shell Chin Strap
- Shoulder Pads
- Knee Pads
- Belt
- Practice & Game Pants
- Practice Jersey
- Game Jersey (w/player name – yours to keep after season)

PARENT PROVIDED:

REQUIRED:

- Mouth Guard
- Football Girdle/ Hard Plate Shorts
- Cleats
- Water Bottle

OPTIONAL:

- Padded Compression Top
- Wicking Underlayer
- Cup
- Football/ Receiver Gloves
- Hand Warmer





How Teams Are Rostered

ASSIGNMENTS ARE BASED OFF AGE & WEIGHT

Age and weight are both considered for team placement, and each are assigned points. Point ranges are provided by the GEJFA, our organizing commission. Updated charts can be found here [Age Weight Chart](#).

Age Points

Month	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Jan	3	15	27	39	51	63	75	
Feb	2	14	26	38	50	62	74	
Mar	1	13	25 *36	37	49	61	73	
Apr	0	12	24 *33	36	48	60	72	

Month	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
May	0							
Jun	0							
Jul	0							
Aug								
Sep								
Oct								
Nov								
Dec								
		Age/Weight Total Points	Level	Determining Playing Level by Age Only or Age Grade				
		60 – 97	Rookie	All players with 10 age points or less. No player with 21 or more age points.				
		98 – 122	Cub	All players with 11 to 23 age points				
		123 – 147	Sophomore	All Players with 24 to 37 age points				
		148 – 174	Jr. Varsity	All Players with 38 to 51 age points				
		175 – 198	Varsity	All Players with 52 to 67 age points. All 8th Graders with 68 – 80 age points; must provide grade verification unless they are Age/Weight eligible. See note below regarding 9th graders.				

WAIVERS ARE REQUIRED IF:

- If born before 7/31/2018 and has less than 60 age/weight points
- Your player was born after 7/31/2018 (must weigh at least 60lbs)
- Your player wants to play above their age/weight level limits

NOTE: Eligibility overlap across teams is not uncommon. SYFA, accounting for rostering needs/limits, will generally assign your player to the lower level, but placement is ultimately at the discretion of the parent and player.



KEY DATES:

2026 SYFA - Key Dates:	
1-Mar	Early Registration Begins
1-Apr	General Registration Begins
13-Apr	ISD SPRING BREAK WEEK
1-May	Late Registration Begins
31-May	Registration Closes
13-Jun	100% Refund Window Closes
20-Jun	Equipment Handout #1 (Sat)
28-Jun	Equipment Handout #2 (Sun)
July 27-30	<i>Potential Futures Champ Football Camp (9am-12pm)</i>
10-Aug	Boot Camp Begins
22-Aug	80% Refund Window Closes - No refunds after this date
Aug	<i>TBD - Player/ Team Photos</i>
28-Aug	End of Boot Camp
29-Aug	Jamboree @ Eastlake (Location Tentative)
31-Aug	Regular Season Practice Schedule Begins

Regular Season Games:	
5-Sep	Week 1
7-Sep	Labor Day
12-Sep	Week 2
19-Sep	Week 3
26-Sep	Week 4
3-Oct	Week 5
10-Oct	Week 6
17-Oct	Week 7
24-Oct	Week 8 - End of Regular Season
Playoffs - For Qualifying Teams:	
<i>Regular Practice Schedule continues for playoff teams</i>	
31-Oct	Quarterfinals
7-Nov	Semifinals
14-Nov	Championship Game
25-Nov	ISD THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY WEEK

Team Communications

NEW! TeamSnap ONE

When notified, please download and setup an account using the same email address used for registration.

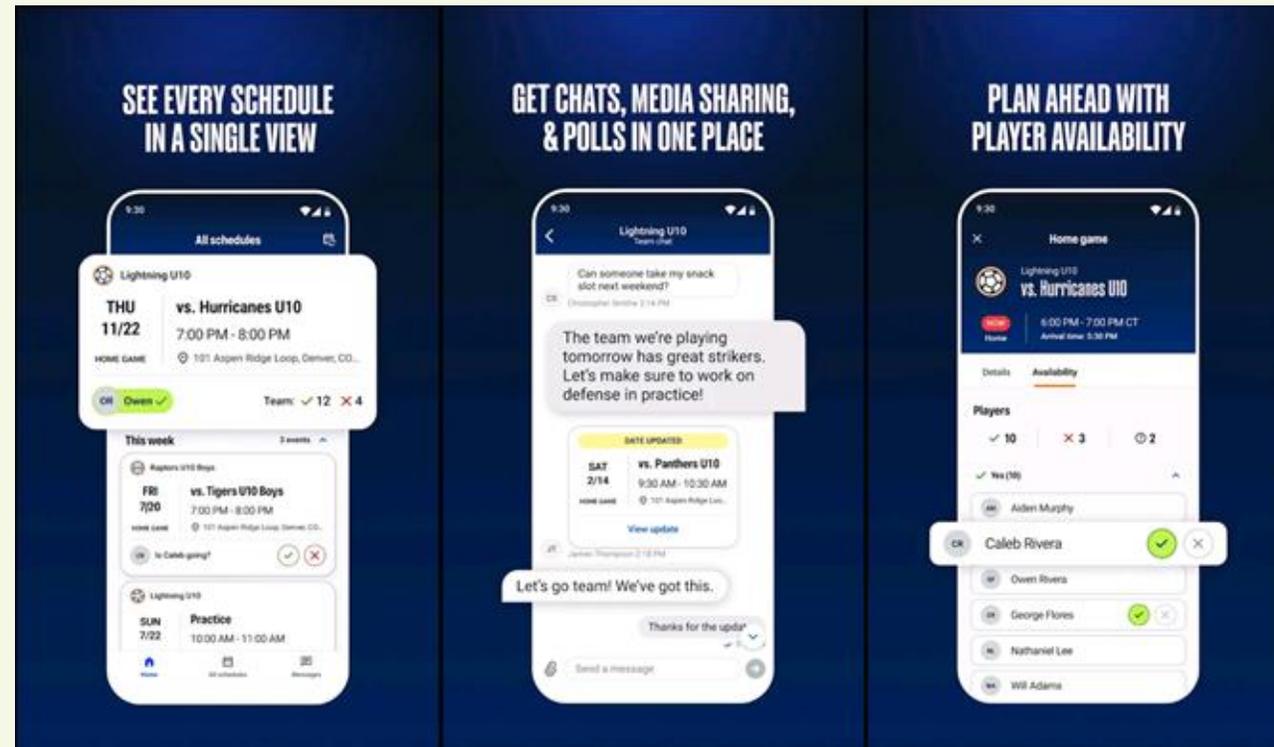
Once teams are assigned and rostered, all communications, practice and game schedules, and chats will run through TeamSnap ONE. If you have multiple players, you will be able to manage them all through the same account.

TeamSnap ONE

YES

TeamSnap

NO



The importance of our Volunteers

The Importance & Power of our SYFA Volunteers

Why Volunteers Matter

We are a 100% volunteer-based program and parental support is fundamental to creating the most enjoyable experience for our kids and families.

Involvement Opportunities

There are a variety of opportunities available.

FRONTLINE: The ones who power the player experiences day to day - Coaches, Team managers, and Game Day Support Roles.

BACKEND: Operations roles power that support of our frontline volunteers and ensure long-term league viability.

Collectively, we create a fun, supportive environment for all.

Volunteer Opt-out Fee Available

We recognize not everyone will feel comfortable or able to volunteer. For those families we offer a **\$125 volunteer opt-out fee**. 100% of these funds will go towards supporting our players and the operations of the program.





ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

KEY LINKS:

Skyline Youth Football (SYFA) Website: [Skyline Youth Football – Come join the fun. Spartan Youth Football](#)

- Registration Link
- Calendar
- Additional Information

Greater Eastside Junior Football Association (GEJFA) Website: [Greater Eastside Junior Football Association](#)

- Rules/ Regulations
- Divisions (Age Weight Charts)
- Game Results

CONTACT EMAILS:

Registration questions – syfa.contact@gmail.com (Yogini)

Team and volunteer related questions – syfa.volunteer@gmail.com (Wendy)

General program questions – syfa.president@gmail.com (Erich)

Coaches Corner: Mike Boden, Head Coach, Junior Varsity

- Intro
- Why I coach Football
- Goals for the Season
- Safety - Then vs Now
- Expectations



Parent, Player, and Coach Expectations



Parent Expectations

Support attendance, provide positive encouragement, and foster a respectful environment for all participants on game day.



Player Expectations

Demonstrate commitment to your craft and teammates, uphold sportsmanship, support your teammates, and follow team standards.



Coach Expectations

A focus on player development, prioritize safety, and communicate clearly with parents and players.



Mutual Responsibilities

Promote personal responsibility, resolve conflicts proactively, and maintain open communication among all parties.

Equipment, Practices, and Game Schedules



Equipment Expectations

Mouthguards are required at all practices and games. For safety purposes, if a player does not have all the proper equipment, they will not be allowed to play.



Practice Expectations

BOOTCAMP: 4-5 practices a week for 3 weeks; practices run ~1.5-2 hours.

SEASON: Practice are held 3 times per week and last ~1.5-2 hours.

Attendance is critical for player and team development. Attending practice is a key part of our “Commitment” value. Missing practices could result in inability to play in games.



Game Day Exp

Games take place on Saturdays. Opponent, location, and timing will be loaded into TeamSnap ONE as details become available.

Players are asked to arrive and be ready 1 hour before the game for weigh-ins and warm-ups.

THANK YOU



AND GO SPARTANS!