2025 Blaine Youth Football Classic

Dear Coach,

On behalf of the dedicated team at the **Minnesota Youth Athletic Services (MYAS)** and our hosting partner, **Blaine Youth Football Association**, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks for participating in the **2nd Annual Blaine Youth Football Classic!**

This tournament celebrates the true spirit of community-based youth football and serves as a culminating event for the 2025 youth football season. We are thrilled to have your team be a part of this growing tradition.

This welcome letter provides key details and reminders as you prepare for the event. Please note that **tournament schedules are subject to change**—we encourage you to check for the latest updates at www.myas.org/blaine-classic.

Event Details

- **Dates:** October 17–19
- **Location:** National Sports Center – Blaine, MN Campus
- **Fields:** Games will be played on premium turf fields (29, #30, and #31)
- **Teams:** 3rd–8th grade youth community-based tackle football teams representing MN and WI.

Host Partnership

MYAS events are made possible through the dedication of our **local host organizations**, and we are proud to partner with **Blaine Youth Football** for this special event. Their volunteers are essential to its success, and we encourage all participants and families to support their efforts.
Special Note- This tournament serves as a fundraising event for the **Blaine Youth Football Association (BYFA)**. All proceeds from admissions and a portion of the proceeds from apparel directly support the growth and sustainability of their local football program.

Sportsmanship & Conduct

The Blaine Youth Football Classic operates under a **Youth 1st Environment**, promoting a safe, fun atmosphere that prioritizes sportsmanship and respect from coaches, players, and spectators alike.
Let's remember that this is a youth sporting event—please help us uphold the values of positivity, respect, and fair play throughout the weekend.
(Refer to the **MYAS/Youth 1st Conduct Policy** on the event page for full details.)

Important Reminders

***Mandatory* Coaches Meeting**

To ensure all coaches and team representatives are fully aligned, a **mandatory virtual coaches meeting** will be held: **Thursday, October 16 at 6:30 PM** Please watch your inbox for a separate email containing the meeting link and access details.

Roster Submission

Each team must complete and submit the **official Blaine Youth Football Classic Roster** (available in your *RegisterPlay* team portal).
Rosters will be verified at **team check-in**, at least **30 minutes prior to your first scheduled game** on Friday.

Team Check-In

A head coach or adult team representative (team manager) **must check in at Tournament Headquarters** 30 minutes prior to your first game. Teams will not be allowed to play until check-in is complete.

- **Proof of Age/Grade Documentation:** Teams must have player age/grade verification available upon request. It is each team's responsibility to provide the necessary documentation to the Tournament Protest Committee if a player's age or grade is formally challenged by an opposing team.

Tournament Headquarters Location/Directions

National Sports Center – Fields 29-32 Entrance

- All participants and spectators should **enter Lot A from Davenport St. NE**
- Once inside Lot A, drive straight ahead and follow event signage directing you to **Fields 25–32 and Lot C.**
- **Additional parking will be available in Lot A and Lot D**.
- **Right-turn only when exiting** onto Davenport St. NE to help traffic flow smoothly.
- Please review the **event map** in advance for reference.

Admissions

Admissions will be collected at the **main tournament entrance (entrance to fields off of Parking Lot C)**.

- Players and Coaches listed on the official roster will receive wristbands during team check-in.
- Spectators must have a valid admission wristband to enter the turfed area.
  Wristbands will be color-coded to distinguish between daily and weekend passes.

Admission Rates:

- **Daily Pass:** $10 per adult | $5 per student (ages 7–18), senior citizen, or veteran | Children 6 & under: Free
- **Weekend Pass:** $20 per adult | $12 per student, senior citizen, or veteran

⇒ **Bring chairs**

Schedules, Maps, and Rules

All tournament materials, including schedules, field maps, and rules, are available online at:
www.myas.org/blaine-classic
Please review the Rules and Rules Guide carefully before your first game. It is the responsibility of each team to understand all tournament rules and Points of Emphasis specific to your grade level.

Final Note

We are looking forward to an exciting weekend filled with great football, outstanding sportsmanship, and strong community spirit.
We will see you at the virtual coaches meeting on Thursday, and then on the field, for a fantastic weekend of competition!

Thank you for your continued support of MYAS and the Blaine Youth Football Classic!

Sincerely,

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