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# WELCOME TO WALKER JR WILDCATS

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We are so excited for you and family to join ours. Our staff knows there's so much more than just learning the sport. We are shaping and developing our youth into hard working athletes that learn the value of hard work, goal setting and success, teamwork, dedication, commitment, integrity, sportsmanship, and developing friendships that will last a lifetime. We know it is an exciting time and wanted to share some information with you all. The Organization is run by a 13-person board. We make decisions as a collective unit and are always open to questions or suggestions to make your time and experience a great one! If there are any questions not addressed, please feel free to reach out to your head coach or one of us.

President: Pat Wilson

A Team Head Coach: Brodrick Frederick

Vice President: Latoya Davenport

B Team Head Coach: De'Jon Dunbar

Secretary: Rekeesha Branch

C Team Head Coach: Marcus Lee

Treasurer: Tonya Craven

D Team Head Coach: Ronnie Mullins

Field Maintenance: Ty Reine

Cheer Head Coach: Taleisha Champaign

Fundraiser/ Public Relations: Erin Scott

Concessions: Vacant

## **RULES & CODE OF CONDUCT:**

- 1. I commit to making sure my child arrives to games and practices on time.** This means often arriving early so that my child has enough time to get situated prior to joining our practice or pre-game preparations.
- 2. I will be sure that my child is properly equipped, sun-protected, hydrated and fueled for practices and games.** This includes proper uniforms, gloves, bags and meals.
- 3. I will show respect for the referees.** They will often make the wrong call, but the job of the referee is not an easy one. Voicing my displeasure will not improve the situation.
- 4. I will stay away from the sideline during games and allow coaches to coach.** While this is not easy, I know that providing potentially conflicting messages during a game can be confusing to my child and my presence at the sideline may contribute negatively to his/her ability to focus.
- 5. I will be a role model for my child regarding good sportsmanship, teamwork and self-worth.** These things start with the adults, and the players will behave accordingly. We will take pride in how we carry ourselves and treat others.
- 6. I am responsible for the behavior of all family members at games and practices.** Others may attend games to cheer on my child, and I need to be sure that they also handle themselves according to these rules.
- 7. I will provide encouragement and support for my child.** My child needs to hear my positive encouragement throughout the game.
- 8. I will provide encouragement and support for all players on the team.** As a team, it's important to provide the same support for my child's teammates. We're in this together!
- 9. I will respect the opposing team, coaches and fans.** They are the same as us in many ways, but they simply wear different uniforms. Appreciation for their performance and respect for their abilities will contribute to a positive game environment.
- 10. I understand that winning is important to the team, but the primary objective is promoting an environment of growth and learning.** They will win. They will lose. They will make mistakes. One of the most important things will be what they learn from success and failure.
- 11. I will help my child embrace his role, no matter what it is.** I may not agree with where my child plays on the field, but it is important that I help my child embrace and master that role for the best possible experience.

**12. I will help nurture a positive environment on and off the field.** I will do my best to keep a positive tone as I realize my reactions impact the team.

**13. I will refrain from public complaints about coaching and other players with parents.** While I will not always agree with how the team is being coached, I know that these reactions do not help.

**14. I will schedule a time with the head coach to calmly and constructively discuss lineup and playing time concerns rather than during, immediately before or after a practice or game. I will adhere to the 24 hour rule.** Instead of complaining publicly, I will be part of the solution by scheduling a private time to discuss my concerns a minimum of 24 hours after the incident.

**15. I will respect the challenges the coaches face and time commitment they make.** I know that coaching isn't easy. It's a significant contribution of time and energy, often with the side effect of stress.

**16. I will do everything within my control to make this a positive experience for my child, other players, families and coaches.** I will do my part to contribute to this football family!

**17. I will not participate in negative gossip or communication that adversely affects Walker Jr Wildcats, it's athletes or staff.** This includes posting any negative comments on social media sites, websites or any chats.

**18. Walker Jr Wildcats head coaches manage their own rosters.** The head coaches decide your player's positions and game day play time. Play time and position can be affected by any of the following reasons but are not limited to these reasons alone. (Inappropriate behavior of an athlete or family member, excessive absences or tardiness, continuous poor attitude of athlete or family member, threats of quitting or pulling your athlete)

**19. No fighting or threats of violence.** If fighting or threats are made you will be asked to leave the field. If the situation cannot be calmed, Walker Police Dept will be notified and your player will be dropped from our roster without a refund.

**20. No hanging out on the Game Day Field before / after the game.** Please have your player to the game day field 1 hour before game time. Please pick up your player as soon as the coaches have dismissed the players.

## **25. FACILITY RULES**

- Only water in water bottles or jugs with a lid allowed inside.
- No dipping, smoking, alcohol or tobacco anywhere on the property!
- Be respectful and responsible, pick-up trash & leave the facility BETTER than it was when you got there. Take PRIDE in our teams and organization!
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**26. Uniforms.** All issues with uniforms are to be addressed with Walker Jr Wildcats Board. Parents are not to contact any vendor regarding the organization.

I will always do my best to follow these rules. While I am not expected to be perfect and we will all have our weak moments, the main thing is that I will make a consistent effort to help nurture a positive environment for all. However, I will not consistently neglect or ignore these rules. Depending on the severity and frequency of my infractions, I understand that my actions may impact the standing of my child on this team.

I understand these rules, and I will do my best to always represent this team and my child well.

**PARENT SIGNATURES:**

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**PLAYERS NAME:**

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**DATE:**

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**TEAM:**

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