

THE RICHMOND OILERS
FOOTBALL/CHEERLEADERS



FORT BEND YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE

**PARENT/PLAYER/VOLUNTEER
GUIDELINES & REQUIREMENT
INCLUDING CODE OF CONDUCT**

Fort Bend Youth League Football/Richmond Oilers Parent/Player Guidelines and Requirements

PLEASE READ EACH ITEMS

- Participants must be between the ages of 5 and 12 as of September 1st of the current year. Cheerleaders must be between the ages of 5 and 12 as of September 1st. Participants should be in the K through the 7th grade. 8th graders are not allowed to participate. No participants may play or be enrolled in any other football program. **A report card is required for verification of grade and a birth certificate.**
- The first two weeks of practice are five (5) days. The third week of practice four (4) days. After that, practices are limited to three (3) days per week for a maximum of 1-2 hours. The official start date for practice is the last week in July.
- The team will be penalized due to the participation of an ineligible participant or illegal practicing. Such penalties are not subject to review or reversal once assessed.
- Each franchise President is responsible for addressing the problems of a participant, parent or guardian. If the problem is not resolved by the organization, the parent may then petition the FBYFL in writing.
- Equipment (helmet and shoulder pads) issued to a participant is on a rental basis and must be returned. **All fees must be paid or payment arrangements made with the registration coordinator prior to equipment/uniform being issued.**
- All football players must play the required number of plays for each game. **(Flag 8 plays, Freshmen & Sophomore 10 plays; Juniors & Seniors 12 plays). It is not guaranteed that a child will play more than the required amount of plays.**
- Each person who registers a child with the Richmond Oilers (football/cheerleaders) is expected to volunteer and work duty shifts during HOME games for. Each person will be fined or will have their child's participation suspended for failing to work a duty shift. **Each family is required to work 2 hours or buy out for \$50.00.** \$50.00 must be paid before the season starts at the end of August. Your child cannot participate until it's paid. Once season starts, you cannot buy out; you must work a 2 hour shift. There will be no exceptions to this rule. The concession stands pays for our referees, banquet and keeps our registration fees affordable. Below are ways to help volunteer.

Concession Stand
Team Mom
Stadium Clean Up
Announcer spotter

Chains & Down Markers
Assist Team Mom
Monitor
Field set up/ Field break down

- Fort Bend Youth Football League carries secondary injury insurance for its participants. This means that all claims must be filed on the parent's insurance and the claim process prior to submission to Fort Bend Youth Football League insurance. A detailed explanation of charges paid must accompany the Fort Bend Youth Football League insurance claim. Fort Bend Youth Football League

insurance carrier will not pay until the primary insurance carrier has completely processed your claim. **Any child that suffers any type of injury, such as a fracture, concussion or any type of head or neck injury MUST submit a doctor's release to the Richmond Oilers before returning to the organization.**

- Activities held and attended on public property such as Lamar CISD campuses/ George Park is at the individuals own risk.
- All players are required to be at the football field one (1) hour prior to the start of the game. Roll call is 30 minutes prior to the game. If a child is not present at roll call, he or she may be prevented from playing in the game. It is up to the coaches' discretion.
- Parents will not be allowed on the field during practice session or games. All field volunteers must wear official FBYFL badges. If you do not have a badge, you will be asked to leave the field.
- Participant's who miss two practices may not be able to play in the Saturday game. It is up to the coaches' discretion.
- All members who maintain Honor Roll during school will be recognized at the end of the season. A copy of report card should be given to Team Mom.
- If your child has a medical condition that requires a medication such as an inhaler, Epi Pen, or allergy medication, please have on hand and it will be administered by that child's parent only. Please notify your team mom and/or coach if your child has an allergy to fire ants, grass or any other allergen.
- Do not leave your child or children unattended on the campus or premises for any reason in case of an emergency, inclement weather, injuries or allergic reaction. Any official Oiler volunteer, coach, team mom or any child under the age of 18 are not considered designated person to leave your child unattended while at practice.

Fort Bend Youth League Football/Richmond Oilers Code of Conduct

PLEASE READ EACH ITEMS

The Richmond Oilers have implemented the following Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the proper role of parents, guardians, volunteers and fans in support of the children participating with the Oilers. All parents and guardians will be required to acknowledge that they have both read and understand this Code of Conduct prior to the registration of their children for participation in our league.

Any parent, guardian, volunteer or fan guilty of improper conduct at any game, practice, or Fort Bend Youth Football League (FBYFL) activity will be asked to leave. Violators of the Code of Conduct will be subject to disciplinary action as defined in the League's "Three Strikes, You're Out" policy.

Preamble

Richmond Oilers believe that the essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles:

- Trustworthiness
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Fairness
- Caring
- Good Citizenship

Richmond Oilers believe that the highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character".

— **As a Parent, Guardian, Volunteer and/or Fan, I therefore agree:**

- I will not force children to participate in Little League.
- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I will inform a league official of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of children or the safety of others.
- I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the Oilers and FBYFL.
- I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for players and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, managers, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; inappropriate cheers; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
- I will teach youth to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will demand that athletes treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- I will teach my child that doing ones' best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
- I will praise athletes for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my youth or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit athletes over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.

- I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my players to win.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all events.
- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

3 Strikes, You're Out - Disciplinary Policy

— Richmond Oilers "3 Strikes, You're Out" disciplinary policy establishes the range of discipline to be used for any/all violations of the League's Code of Conduct Policy or Parent Coach Guidelines. This policy applies to both the general and player memberships, as well as to parents, guardians, volunteers, spectators and fans.

Strike 1 – in the event of a first violation, a penalty to be imposed based upon the infraction, ranging from, but not limited to:

- warning;
- fines;
- game(s) suspension (includes all other Oilers activities during the period, including practices/events);
- expulsion.

Strike 2 – in the event of a second violation, a penalty to be imposed based upon the infraction, ranging from, but not limited to:

- fines;
- game(s) suspension (includes all other Oilers activities during the period, including practices/events);
- expulsion

Strike 3 – in the event of a third violation:

- fines;
- expulsion.

****PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL FINES THAT ARE INCURRED BY A PARENT WILL BE PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY. A FAILURE TO PAY ANY FINE WILL RESULT IN YOUR CHILD'S PARTICIPATION BEING EXPELLED****

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Parent's Name: _____
PRINTED

SIGNED

Child's Name: _____

DIVISION

DATE