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ABOUT US

Founded in 1969, the Evansville Junior Football League (EJFL) stands as a non-profit organization committed to nurturing youth through the sport of football. EJFL encompasses three distinct divisions: Flag Football, Junior Tackle, and Senior Tackle. The Flag Division caters to students from Kindergarten to 2nd grade, the Junior Tackle Division serves students from 2nd to 4th grade, and the Senior Tackle Division welcomes students from 5th and 6th grade.

EJFL takes pride in its dedicated team of unpaid volunteers, comprising of Coaches, Commissioners, Board Members, and Officers, all of whom share a common mission of supporting the young athletes involved in the league.

OUR MISSION

The Evansville Junior Football League is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to teaching young athletes the basics of football by coaching them in practice and competitive games. We are committed to volunteerism, building camaraderie, and improving the athletic skills of the young people in the community.

EJFL does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status, in any of its activities or operations.



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EVALUATIONS & DRAFT

All new players, players moving up in division, and players entering the redraft are **required** to complete evaluations on ONE of the dates below. Returning players are not required to attend.

- **Saturday, July 18th, 2026 – 11:00am to 12:00pm**
- **Thursday, July 23rd, 2026 – 6:00pm to 7:00pm**
- **Saturday, July 25th, 2026 – 12:00pm to 1:00pm**

The Live Draft will be held on Sunday, **July 26th, 2026**.

All players will be contacted, by your coach, within the next 24 hours.

July 27th through July 31st, will be the dates where coaches and parents are **required** to attend a team meeting. The coach will pick a date and time and notify you of such. At that time, all players, coaches, and parents/guardians are required to attend for uniform and equipment fittings/handouts, and important season information.

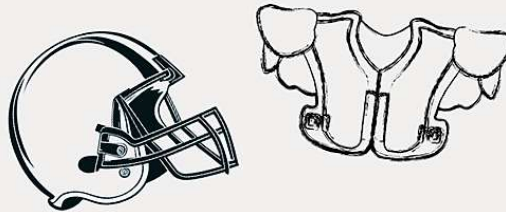


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EQUIPMENT INFORMATION

TO PURCHASE:

- Football cleats (no metal cleats)
- Football mouthpiece
 - The Concession sells mouthpieces for \$2 throughout the season as well if needed.
- Socks
- Athletic Support Equipment
- Shorts (Flag Division)



EJFL PROVIDES:

- Flag Division – Soft helmet and Game Day T-shirt
- Junior & Senior Tackle Divisions – Helmet, Shoulder Pads, Practice Jersey & Pants, Game Day Jersey & Pants

Use of Personal Equipment for Tackle Divisions:

The registration acknowledgement, now allows the use of personal equipment, for the tackle divisions. This acknowledgement releases EJFL of all liability. (refer to waiver section of the registration) Personal Helmets, or league issued helmets, should be clear of all stickers. Only approved/certified clear visors may be used. No colored or tinted visors are allowed. No visors may be added to league issued helmets.



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FIELD RULES

- No alcohol or drugs allowed at games or practices, including the parking lot when children are present. Noncompliance will lead to removal from the premises and potential involvement of authorities.
- No smoking or vaping inside the field gates; Please smoke outside the gates if needed.
- NO PETS allowed in the field gates or at practice for safety reasons.
- Prohibited items: Skateboards, Roller Skates, Rollerblades, Hoverboards, Bicycles, 4-wheelers, Golf Carts, or similar items are not allowed on the premises.
- Respectful behavior is expected towards players, coaches, and referees. In case of any issues, approach an EJFL Official or Commissioner.
- Report any behavior or rule violations involving coaches, teammates, and spectators immediately to ensure a positive experience for everyone.
- For rule clarifications or reporting violations, feel free to contact any EJFL Commissioner, Officer, or Board Member. The league is focused on fun and teaching the fundamentals of football to young players.



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REFUND POLICY

EJFL has a refund policy in place regarding participation in the first game of the season. Please note the following:

- If your child decides to play in the first game of the season, EJFL will not issue any refunds.
- However, if your child chooses not to play at EJFL prior to the first game of the season, you will be eligible for a refund. The refund amount will be 80% of the payment you made to EJFL.
- The refund will be refunded to the online method of payment used, and will be processed no later than the first week of September.
- It's important to return all equipment immediately to your Coach. Additionally, the Coach must complete the required Quit Form, which should be turned in to a Commissioner for approval. Failure to return your equipment immediately, will result in no refund.
- For any further inquiries or questions, please feel free to contact our Treasurer, Mike Clem, via email at info@ejfl.org.

HEADS UP SAFETY PROGRAM

The Evansville Junior Football League takes great pride in its continued participation in the Heads-Up Football@ program, a player safety initiative developed by USA Football. This comprehensive approach to teaching the fundamental aspects of the sport in a progressive, age-appropriate manner contributes significantly to ensuring a superior and safer experience for all participants, including players, coaches, commissioners, and parents, within youth football leagues and clubs across the United States.

We are dedicated to enhancing the overall quality and safety of the game for everyone involved. As part of this commitment, we diligently ensure that all coaches possess the necessary qualifications by successfully completing the USA Football Level 1 Coach Certification course before the start of the season. Additionally, we verify that coaches adhere to approved practice plans and employ the Heads-Up Tackling methodology, which aims to minimize helmet contact during practices.

We organize a specialized "Heads Up Football" clinic during the initial weeks of practice. This clinic is designed to educate coaches, commissioners, and board members on various aspects related to player safety, including concussion recognition and response, proper equipment fitting, heat preparedness, hydration, Heads Up Tackling, and Heads Up Blocking. By prioritizing safety above all else, the EJFL seeks to foster an environment where participants can engage in the sport confidently and securely.



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VOLUNTEERS MAKE IT HAPPEN!

CONCESSIONS:

All Tackle Division teams must work two assigned weeks, filling two volunteers per practice daytime slots (Monday through Saturday, 9:00 am to 10:00 pm).

All teams must fulfill their time slots, regardless of practice days.

Volunteers will sign up through our website at www.ejfl.org.

Volunteer no-shows will face penalties outlined in the EJFL Rules and Regulations.

FALL FESTIVAL BOOTH:

The Fall Festival Booth is a fun event at the WSNC Fall Festival, and it's a required "team function." Sign up early on our website www.ejfl.org for preferred time slots. Groups can sign up together, but each person should reserve only one spot. All money raised goes to EJFL to maintain fields and support the league. Parent or guardian participation is required.



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SPIRIT WEAR-PHOTOS-TEAM MANAGER INFO

TEAM SPIRIT WEAR will be available for purchase through Midwest Marketing this season! Online orders will be open at the start of the season. To place your order, simply visit our website at www.ejfl.org. As a special bonus, for players registered by June 19, 2026, will receive an exclusive EJFL Property Of... organization Tshirt in their individual team colors once the design has been completed.

If you have any questions about our Spirit Wear, feel free to reach out to us at info@ejfl.org.

TEAM & INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS will be taken by Kayla Vines Photography on September 7, 2026. Forms and times will be distributed closer to picture date.

TEAM MANAGER INFO - Each EJFL team *requires* a dedicated Team Manager Volunteer who will assist the Coach(es) in effectively organizing, distributing, and collecting equipment, spirit wear, and team photos. The Team Manager will also play a crucial role in recruiting volunteers for concession stand and halfpot sales, maintaining open lines of communication between coaches and parents, and coordinating the end-of-season team party. This role is ideally suited for individuals who can be present during practices and are willing to make a substantial time commitment.

If you are interested in becoming a Team Manager, please reach out to your head coach or contact EJFL directly at info@ejfl.org



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COACH CONTACT INFORMATION

SENIOR TACKLE DIVISION

Cardinals	Brent Gramig	270-316-4060
Chargers	Josh Gewirtzman	812-881-5844
Cowboys	Andy Babb	812-760-0565
Packers	Jake Schiff	812-568-8613
Raiders	Brandon McCullough	812-568-9110
Vikings	Zach Grider	812-454-9268

JUNIOR TACKLE DIVISION

Bears	Mike Clem	812-589-7604
Bengals	Darius Randall	812-319-0946
Chiefs	Branson Beal	812-499-6500
Jets	Josh Winiger	812-430-4920
Lions	Chris Schmitt	812-455-3795
Patriots	OPEN	

FLAG DIVISION

Broncos	OPEN	
Colts	Logan Turpin	812-480-4544
Dolphins	OPEN	
Ravens	OPEN	
Steelers	OPEN	
Titans	Jake Boehman	812-598-8128



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SEASON SCHEDULE

EJFL 2026 GAME SCHEDULE

Flag <small>(Second Team listed is Home Team)</small>	Junior Tackle <small>(Second Team listed is Home Team) (Games played on Junior Field)</small>	Senior Tackle <small>(Second Team listed is Home Team)</small>
<small>(North End is by the Tennis Courts - South End is by the scoreboard)</small>		
Controlled Scrimmage		
Saturday, August 15th		
Sr-North 11:00 AM	Colts vs Ravens	Sr-North 9:00 AM
Sr-South 11:00 AM	Steelers vs Broncos	Sr-South 9:00 AM
Jr-South 11:00 AM	Titans vs Dolphins	Sr-North 10:00 AM
<small>(North End is by the Tennis Courts - South End is by the scoreboard)</small>		
Week 1		
Wednesday, August 19th		
Jr-South 5:30 PM	Ravens vs Dolphins	9:00 AM
Sr-South 5:30 PM	Titans vs Steelers	10:30 AM
Saturday, August 22nd		
Sr-South 1:30 PM	Colts vs Broncos	12:00 PM
Week 2 Picture Day		
Wednesday, August 26th		
Jr-South 5:30 PM	Broncos vs Titans	9:00 AM
Sr-South 5:30 PM	Dolphins vs Colts	10:30 AM
Saturday, August 29th		
Sr-South 1:30 PM	Steelers vs Ravens	12:00 PM
Saturday, September 5th (Labor Day Weekend)		
Bye Week for all teams NO GAMES September 2nd or 5th		
Week 3		
Wednesday, September 9th		
Jr-South 5:30 PM	Colts vs Titans	9:00 AM
Sr-South 5:30 PM	Dolphins vs Steelers	10:30 AM
Saturday, September 12th		
Sr-South 1:30 PM	Ravens vs Broncos	12:00 PM
Week 4		
Wednesday, September 16th		
Jr-South 5:30 PM	Broncos vs Dolphins	9:00 AM
Sr-South 5:30 PM	Titans vs Ravens	10:30 AM
Saturday, September 19th		
Sr-South 1:30 PM	Steelers vs Colts	12:00 PM
Week 5		
Wednesday, September 23rd		
Jr-South 5:30 PM	Ravens vs Colts	9:00 AM
Sr-South 5:30 PM	Broncos vs Steelers	10:30 AM
Saturday, September 26th		
Sr-South 1:30 PM	Dolphins vs Titans	12:00 PM
Week 6		
Saturday, October 4th (Playoff)		
Jr-South 12:00 PM	TBD vs TBD	9:00 AM
Sr-South 12:00 PM	TBD vs TBD	10:30 AM
(TBD & TBD - Bye)		
Week 7		
Saturday, October 10th (Playoff)		
Jr-South 12:00 PM	Winner 3 vs 6 vs 2nd	9:00 AM
Sr-South 12:00 PM	Winner 4 vs 5 vs 1st	10:30 AM
Week 8 Cereal Bowl @ Reitz Bowl		
Sunday, October 18th		
11:00 AM	Flag Championship	11:00 AM
12:30 PM	Junior Tackle Championship	12:30 PM
2:00 PM	Senior Tackle Championship	2:00 PM