

Ogden Bears Policies - 2010

Read and initial each of the items below. Then sign the form at the bottom. By initialing and signing this form, you are stating that you have read and are aware of each of the policies listed.

1. All fees are **NON-REFUNDABLE** after registration. Please note that flag football does involve some contact. There will be a \$20 fee for all returned checks.
2. In order to be officially registered in the Ogden Bears program, I must submit each of the following on behalf of my child: registration packet, registration fee, fundraiser money, final report card for the current year and a physical form dated in the current year. Each of these items must be submitted prior to the first day of practice. If they are not submitted on time, the Ogden Bears will bench my child until all components are submitted.
3. While the Ogden Bears provides the uniform and some components needed for participation, I am required to purchase certain individual equipment for my child.
4. Ogden Bears is a 100% volunteer-run organization. All families are expected to volunteer their time as a condition of membership in the organization. As a general rule, families are required to volunteer **at least** 3 times during the course of the season. Mandatory time slots will be assigned for the concession stand; it will be your responsibility to find someone to take your shift if you are unable to work it. Participation will be tracked and participants may be benched if obligations are not fulfilled.
5. Games are primarily played on SUNDAYS, but there are times when games are played on Saturdays or mid week. There may be night games beginning as late as 8:00pm. There is a possibility that your child's team/squad may have to travel during the season. Football games may be held throughout Western New York. Football and Cheerleading competitions require travel as squads win and advance. Travel can be in New York, New Jersey or as far away as Florida. It may become necessary to hold additional fundraisers by team if their travel costs exceed the allotted amount set aside for post-season travel.
6. I agree to allow my child to be photographed for publicity purposes in print or on the Ogden Bears website. I also agree to allow my child to be videotaped for use by the coaches and/or to be used as a souvenir for the participants.
7. Starting in September, your child must attend all weekly practices in order to participate in that week's game. Head coaches can grant permission if they see fit. Please notify the Head Coach in advance in the case of extended absences.
8. Parents and participants must respect all assignment decisions of the coaching staff. Parents and participants agree to discuss any disagreements with the Coaches, Director of Football, or the Assistant Director of Football in private and away from the rest of the squad. Parents agree to remain away from the sidelines during practices and games and agree to refrain from any derogatory comments regarding any of the coaches, referees or other participants in the presence of any other participant or parent. Any parent that interferes with coaching decisions or makes any derogatory motions and/or comments during a practice or game will be asked to leave the spectator area immediately.
9. I understand and agree that establishing a quality program requires parental/family commitment. I agree to provide transportation for my child to and from all practices and games at the times requested by the coaches and to be at the practice field at least 15 minutes prior to the end of practice to pick up my child.
10. Parents also understand that players are entitled to a certain minimum number of plays per game as set forth in the Western New York Pop Warner rules and regulations, and any plays over and above the entitled number are strictly at the Coach's discretion.
11. Ogden Bears reserves the right to initiate any disciplinary action it deems fit for repeated or severe violations of the above rules.
12. While every effort is made to place your child with a friend or certain coach, we only guarantee your child a place to play. Assignment of teams is the discretion of the Ogden Bears, and does not constitute a refund.
13. There is to be no alcohol, illegal substances or smoking on any field where participants are practicing or playing a game.

By signing this document, I am stating that I am fully aware of each of the items above. I know what the obligations are for participating in the Ogden Bears organization and I am ready to fulfill my requirements.

Child's Name _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Date: _____