

# 2020 Mandatory Parent Meeting



**GATOR YOUTH FOOTBALL & CHEER**



# Welcome to the 2020 Season

- Organizational Structure & Board Members
- COVID-19 Overview
- Objectives and Expectations
- Registration
- Calendar

# Quick Facts



Gator Youth Football & Cheer was started in 1955

Member of West Jersey Youth Football League

Feeder program for Gateway High School

Main Communication Tools: Website, Facebook, BAND App, Email

Our focus is on the well-being of boys and girls in our organization and community, ensuring they have fun and stay safe while learning the fundamentals of football and cheerleading.

We strive to promote sportsmanship, fellowship, self-confidence and physical development.

Football and cheerleading are team sports, which means everyone contributes to success so we need everyone to attend on time everytime!

# WJYFL 2020 Teams

## North Division

Bordentown Bulldogs

Florence Flashes

Northern Burlington  
Greyhounds

Lawrence Cardinals

Robbinsville Ravens

Hopewell Valley Bulldogs

## South Division

Haddon Twp Hawks

Pine Hill Rams

Palmyra Panthers

Oaklyn Cougars

Westville Gators

Rancocas Valley Patriots

New Egypt Warriors

# Volunteer Board Members

**Vice President Football:** Erin Brabazon

**Vice President Cheer:** Maggie McGrath

**Secretary:** Marie Goddard

**Treasurer:** Kelly Smith

**Sergeant at Arms:** Brian Brodsky

**Corresponding Secretary/Fundraising Director:** Michaela Kircher

**Cheerleader Director/Agent:** Erin Wyckoff

**Trustees:** James Brabazon

BJ Shores

DeWayne Jordan

# Register

- Online registration and payments only NO cash, checks or money orders
- Registration must be completed before practice. No registration = No practice
- YOU must provide copies of birth certificates to start practice.
- VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR EACH CHILD: EVERYONE Must Volunteer this year. No Volunteers you must pay \$40 fee per child
- No payment plans this year-all fees must be paid upfront
- All paper waivers must be signed to start practice
- 2-3 weeks for Jerseys



# Parent Responsibilities

- All documents and payments must be submitted in order for your athlete to practice and participate in any way.
- Adhere to COVID Safety Protocols and monitor your household
- Sportsmanship – on the field AND in the stands!
- Be positive and supportive.
- Keep encouraging your athlete to progress at their level.
- Remind your athlete to have FUN and be a part of the team.
- Get involved and volunteer! YOU are critical to our success.
- Any league fines due to parent/family behavior the Parent must pay

# Parent Responsibilities

- Respect all club policies to ensure your child benefits fully from their GYFC experience
- Ensure your athlete is on time to practice and games.
- Help your athlete remember water and equipment needed each day for practice and games.
- Be supportive and positive ALWAYS. Require other family members and friends who are spectators to do the same.
- Cheer for all of our teams and athletes.
- VOLUNTEER! Are you interested in volunteering to serve on the executive board or chair or participate on a committee? Your participation is encouraged and NEEDED! Please talk to an executive board member to learn more about the role(s).



# COVID-19 Symptoms

**Per published guidelines people with these symptoms may have COVID-19:**

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting

# COVID-19 Mask/Face Covering

Facemask required that cover mouth and nose fully

## How Do I Wear A Face Covering?



Face coverings should be placed over the mouth and nose, allow for breathing without any restriction, and fit snug against the side of your face.

# COVID PROTOCOL

- Facemask required that cover mouth and nose fully
- Use of bleachers restricted. Bring your own chairs
- Social distancing at check in and on sidelines
  - Parents encouraged to remain in car during practice
- No equipment sharing
- No team water jugs or bags.
  - Bring YOUR own water bottles
- No team snacks or oranges bring YOUR own and NO Sharing
- Parents must sign in players at every practice and sign daily sheet
- No scrimmages, parades or other extra events this year.



# COVID PROTOCOL

- No carpooling or ridesharing outside of household
- Staggered team arrival times
- No huddles or pre-or post-activity meetings.
- No handshakes, high-fives, or fist-bumps
- Rotating use of the large practice equipment
- Poms will be assigned to each cheerleader for the season
- Access to clubhouse limited to Equipment Manager and his volunteers
- Fittings limited to 1 team per day
  - Equipment limited to 1 tryon per day and sanitized after tryon



# COVID PROTOCOL Check-In

- ALL Athletes must be escorted by A PARENT OR GUARDIAN to the check-in table prior to practice or game.
- A mask covering mouth and nose must be worn when not engaged in activity on the field even during check-in
- All waiver forms collected from GYFC athletes will be kept on file and may be reviewed by GYFC and/or WJYFL.
- Temperature check by GYFC staff/volunteers
- Parents/guardians must allow for check-in table time. Getting athletes to practice and games as early as possible is a KEY FACTOR. Follow coaches' guidelines for timing.

# COVID PROTOCOL Check-In



- Parents/guardians who complain about the check-in WILL BE ASKED TO VACATE THE PREMISES with the athlete.
- Coaches can NOT represent parents or guardians of athletes, unless they are biologically related (GYFC staff can ask for proof of relationship) for practices and games.
- Each athlete MAY be limited to no more than 2 spectators at some games due to social distancing.

# COVID PROTOCOL: After Practice & Games

After Leaving ALL Practices and Games:

- All spectators and athletes are responsible for placing their empty water bottles and trash into the trash cans when leaving any of the facilities, any that fail to do so may be asked not to return to the field.
- Individuals should not congregate in common areas or parking lot following the game or practice.
- Immediately isolate and seek medical care for any individual who develops symptoms and notify GYFC coach, or board member of the situation.

**IMPORTANT: Monitor the weather if you leave during practice or games.** Event may be called due to thunder & lightening and someone must immediately pick up athlete.

# COVID PROTOCOL: After Practice & Games

- Coaches shall sanitize their team's practice or game day equipment at the end of each practice/game. This includes completing the log to document sanitizing.
- Athletes, coaches and volunteers with physical contact to others outside of their household at practices and/or games are encouraged to shower or bathe and sanitize or wash uniforms and personal equipment such as helmet and mouth guard to minimize exposure
- All spectators are encouraged to follow appropriate hand washing and/or sanitizing protocols after attendance.



# COVID PROTOCOL: What If?

- **Someone arrives with a fever or symptoms?**
  - *They must leave immediately and will be quarantined until they leave*
- **Someone gets sick or tests positive after practice or a game?**
  - *If they have been in contact with other teams or athletes all exposed must self quarantine for 10 days. Any symptoms reported immediately to the Board/Coach.*
- **Someone in your household is exposed or tests positive?**
  - *Your athlete CANNOT attend practice or games*
- **Someone on another team exposes us?**
  - *We may have to quarantine for up to 14 days and not play any games or practice during that time. Again report any symptoms and see your doctor asap if symptoms present.*

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- **What if the season gets canceled?**
  - *Before Jersey orders: a full refund will be provided*
  - *After Jersey orders: a refund minus the cost of Jersey and shipping. All athletes will be provided a chance to pick up items ordered or they may be shipped to home*

# Volunteers

Over 390  
Slots

**Participate in at least 3 volunteer activities during the season:** All staff are volunteers and the only way we can be successful is volunteers.

## Check-In:

Two (2) Volunteers are needed for the Football and Cheer check-in stations to check-in athletes, collect COVID forms and scan temperatures at every practice and game.

## Chain Gang:

Volunteers hold down markers on the field during the home game. This is also a great way to see the game up close. Three (3) volunteers are needed for each home game.

## Concessions (Snack Shack):

At least six (6) volunteers prepare food and sell refreshments during each home game.

## Field Dressers:

A few people each home game week to help dress the field with markings. These people are in charge of making sure the field is properly lined and numbered before each game. This is usually done the evening before the game.

## Cleanup:

Six (6) volunteers needed to assist in spectator and Snack Shack area cleanup after the varsity home games. Volunteers may be required to convene at the Lions shed to assist with unloading supplies from the truck.

### Open Board Positions

Concessions Manager

Gator Gear Manager

Video/Photographer

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Gator Gear Manager

Video/Photographer

Sign-up for Volunteer positions on the BAND App 24/7

Failure to meet the requirements by end of season results in a fine of \$40 per child

If you cannot make your volunteer time, you must arrange for someone to replace you, and let us know who is volunteering on your behalf.

Sign up starts Saturday, August 22nd

***It is impossible for this club to operate without YOU!***

# Sponsors Sustaining GYFC



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Every dollar raised goes directly to making our organization better and stronger.

All volunteers - No ONE is compensated.

Do you know of, work for, own, shop or dine at an organization or business that would like to sponsor the GYFC? Please let us know, and we are happy to follow up.

Do you have any suggestions or ideas? Please share and volunteer to help us grow

- ❖ Join the team, help obtain sponsors and banquet donations or apply for grants.
- ❖ New and fresh ideas are welcome!
- ❖ Learn the ropes and continue the tradition for all future

In turn, we also encourage our families to shop/dine/support our valued community partners! See the website for the list.

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## ★ Amazon Smile



## ★ COVID Photos

## ★ Snack Stand

## ★ Gator Gear

## ★ Gator Restaurant Nights

## ★ Magnet Coupon

# 2020 GYFC Divisions

## Mini Squad

Head Coach:

## Juniors Squad

Head Coach:

## Senior Squad

Head Coach:

## 85lb Team

Head Coach: Dewayne Jordan

Assistant Coach:

- Rob Thompson

## 100lb Team

Head Coach: BJ Shores

Assistant Coaches:

- James Brabazon
- Joe Farrell

No qualified volunteers for:

65lb

115lb

135lb

# Cheering

- Football game schedule will be on website and BAND App
- Indoor practice access may be limited/restricted due to COVID-19
- Cheerleaders are expected to attend all practices (Tuesday & Thursday)
- Practice wear: Loose-fitting shorts (no jean shorts or button pants)
  - Supportive gym shoes
- Teams may be combined





# Cheer Equipment

## Provided by GYFC

- Shell
- Skirt
- Crop top
- Poms
- Bloomers/Briefs
- Hair ribbon/Bow

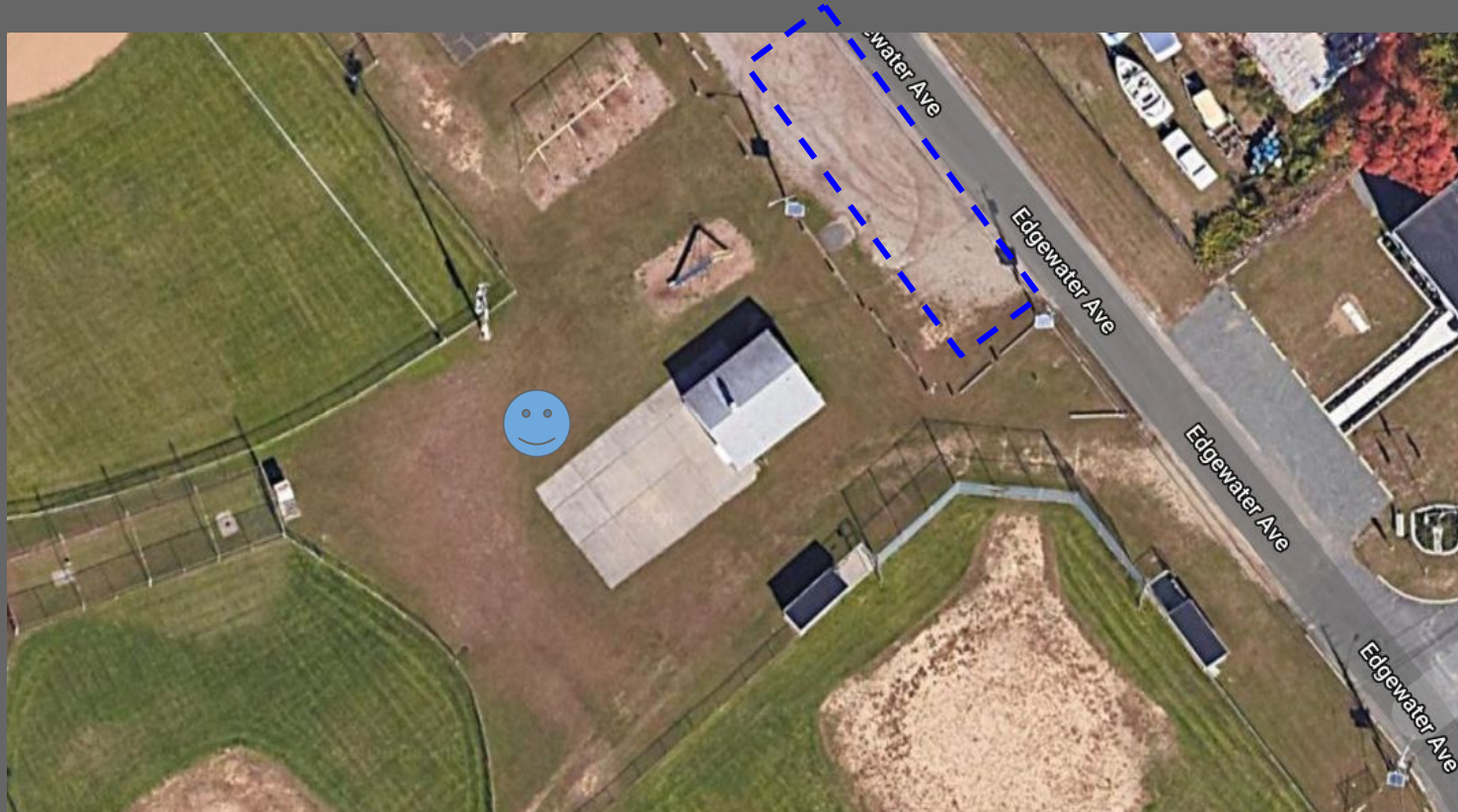
## Provided by Parents

- Cheer shoes
- Head warmer and gloves
- Water bottle
- Cheer Socks
- Running/Warm Up Suit <sup>optional</sup>

## Parent Responsibilities

- Clean and wash uniform before each game
- Keep track of equipment especially POMs
- Provide your athlete ample water/sports drink for practice & games
- Provide your athlete w/ half time oranges and after game snack

# Cheer Check-In & Practice Parking



# New Football Weight Limits

<b><i>Divisions</i></b>	<b><i>Age</i></b> <i>(As of September 1st)</i>	<b><i>Weight Limit</i></b> <i>T2T = Tackle to Tackle</i>
<b>60lbs</b>	4-6	60-70lbs
<b>85lbs</b>	7-8	85lbs (unlimited T2T)
<b>100lbs</b>	9-10	100lbs (unlimited T2T)
<b>115lbs</b>	11-12	115lbs (unlimited T2T)
<b>135lbs</b>	13-14	135lbs (unlimited T2T)

- ❑ Unlimited Tackle to Tackle for ALL teams
- ❑ An allowance of +10lbs or all weight limits
- ❑ There is no minimum weight

# Football Equipment

## Provided by the Club

- Helmet
- Game Jersey
- Shoulder Pads
- Game pants

## Provided by Parents

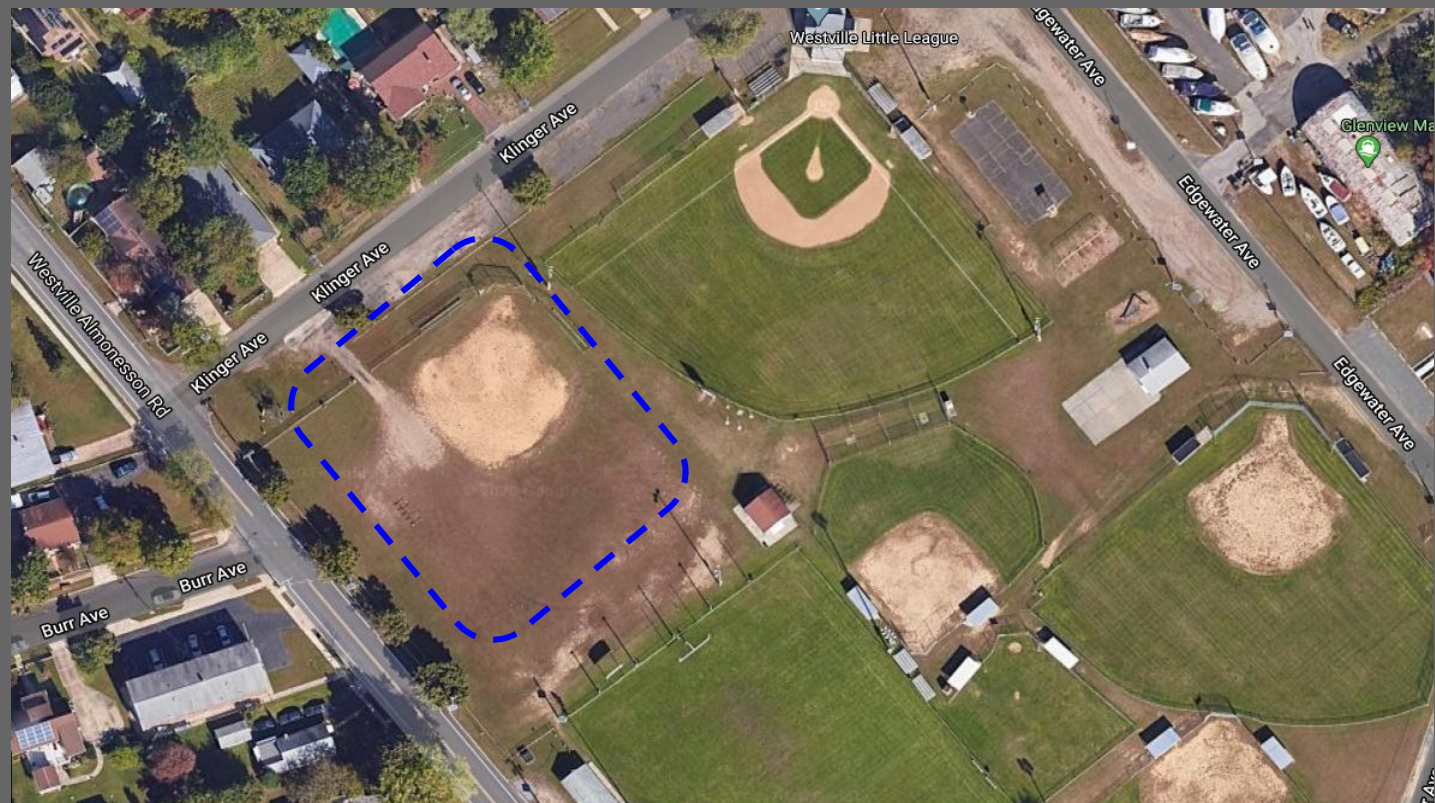
- Football shoes – cleats
- Girdle/Athletic supporter.
- Athletic Cup
- Practice Jersey
- Water bottle
- Game Socks

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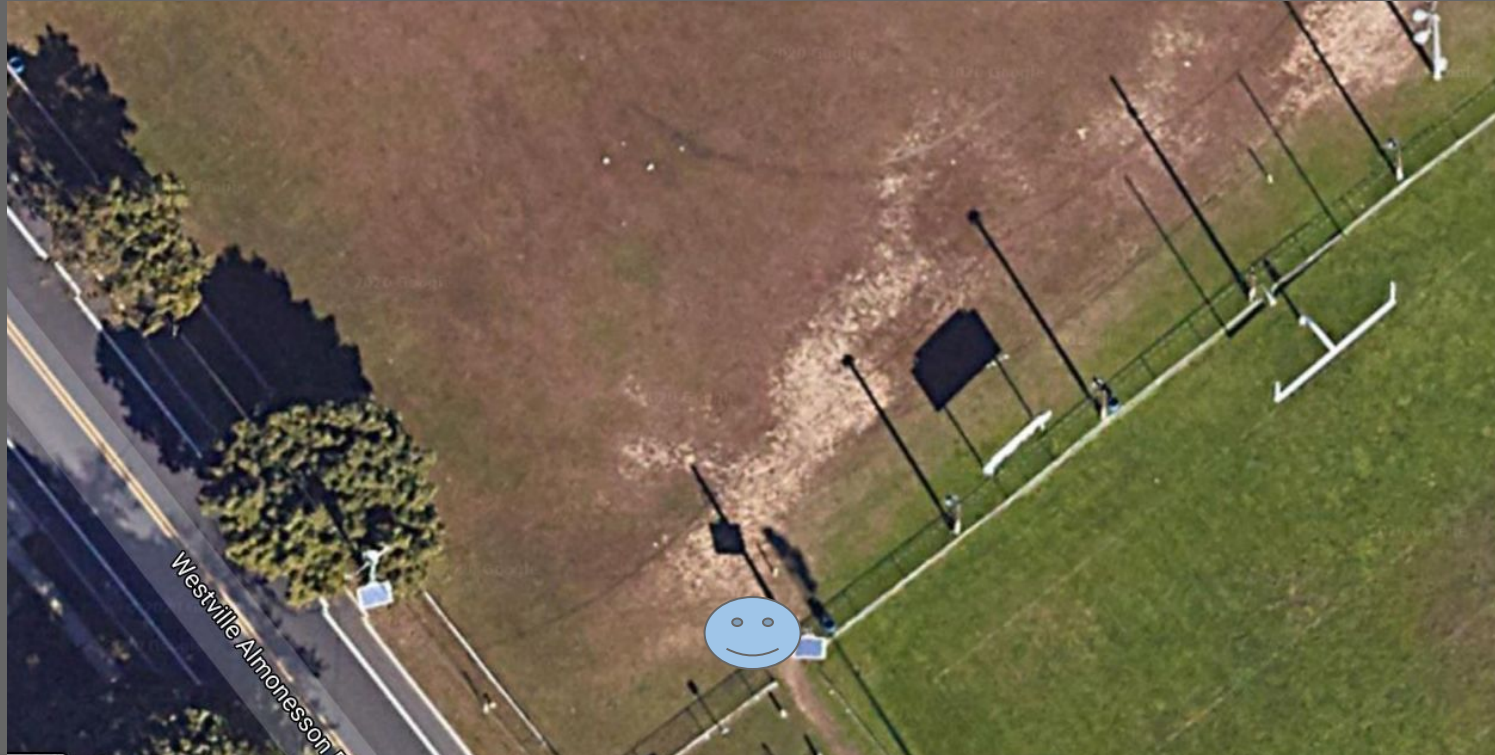
- Clean and wash uniform before each game
- Wipe down equipment
- Provide your athlete ample water/sports drink for practice & games
- Provide your athlete w/ half time oranges and after game snack



# Parking Football Practice & All Game Day



# Football Check-In



# Calendar

Aug 24: Football Practice Starts

Aug 25: Cheer Practice Starts

Aug 27: Last day for Jersey order w/o rush fee

Sept 4: Last Day to Register w/o late Fee

Sept 1- Sept 14: Online Gator Gear Orders

Sept 7: Football Hitting Starts

Sept 12: 1st Football Weigh-In

Sept 14-28: Last Online Gator Gear Orders

Sept 15: Cheer Uniforms

Sept 19: 2nd Football Weigh-In

Sept 22: Cheer Uniforms

TBA: COVID-19 Football Photos

Sept 26: First Game

Oct 3: Chipotle Deptford Dining  
Fundraiser 4pm-8pm

Oct 12: Dining Fundraiser TBA

Dec 12: Banquet Tentative

**\*\*\*\*Game Schedule to be announced the week after weigh-ins\*\*\*\***  
**Plan for a game on Saturday 09/26**

Thank you for attending!



Questions  
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Looking forward to a great Gator Season

Practice – Grow – Play & Win Together – Gators 4 Life!