

KICK-OFF CLASSIC - COACHES SHEET

SPORTSMANSHIP

Please make sure your coaches and team followers are good role models for the 2,000+ young athletes participating in this tournament. Win and lose with class!! This tournament prides itself on being “competitive between the lines and friends outside them”. Have your team exhibit more sportsmanship and class than any other team in the tournament! If we all have that goal then we will have a GREAT weekend!

GENERAL RULES

- Each game two 20 minute halves with a continuous clock except last two minutes of game the clock will be timed “regulation”. Clock will stop on lengthy injuries! There will be a sports trainer on-site ALL weekend at John Tarleton Park setup near the weigh-in area.
- Winning coach is responsible for reporting “accurate” score of the game to the main scheduling area - it will be near the weigh-in stations at both parks.
- NO kicking, refs will walk off punts. ALL teams must go for two points after scores. Touchdowns are 6 points and conversions are worth 2 points. Safeties are worth 2 points!
- 7U 1-2 coaches on field; 8U one coach on field; 9U is optional to have one coach on field; NO officiating on the field or you will be moved to sideline; 10 & older NO coaches on field.

SUNDAY / CONSOLATION GAMES

ALL teams play on Sunday regardless your win / loss record from Saturday!! We will be doing our best ensuring everyone has competitive games on Sunday. Most times it works out that way sometimes it doesn't unfortunately. It may take us until late Saturday night to find out the game schedule for Sunday; tell your parents to please be patient and check the website Sunday schedule will be posted there once completed (may be late Saturday though). If you can remember to check the main scheduling area at John Tarleton Park Saturday evening before you leave to see if we can give you a game time for Sunday. **Also, please note we may switch around some consolation games if two teams from same area/league are scheduled to play one another in a consolation game.** Head coaches please check your text messages late Saturday evening / night in case we need to switch your Sunday game time...

TIE-BREAKERS

- 7U = Best overall four records will advance to semi-finals. Tie-breaker 1) best overall record 2) head-to-head 3) smallest margin of defeat in games lost 4) least amount of points given up 5) best point differential.
- 8U = Pool winners will advance to semi-finals on Sunday and one “wildcard” team will also advance as the #4 seed; #4 seed will be determined by 1) best overall record 2) smallest margin of defeat in the games lost 3) least amount of points given up 4) best point differential 5) coin flip.
- 9U = Top two teams in both pools will advance to semi-finals on Sunday.
- 10U = The 4 pool winners will advance to semi-finals. Everyone plays consolation on Sunday.
- 11U = Top team in Pool A & B advance to semi-finals and top 2 teams in Pool C advance to semi-finals.
- 12U = Same as 8U
- 13/14U = Overall best 4 records will advance to semi-finals.

***NO team will be rewarded for running the score up on an opponent. Winning 56-0 does not help you one ounce in the tie-breaker so please try your best not to run the score up (show CLASS!!). A team will only get 20 points awarded for a win greater than 20 points ex: if you win 38-6; toward the tie breaker you only get a +20 (toward your point differential).

WEATHER

We all know it has been VERY hot! Please make sure your players are getting hydrated properly. There is a place to fill-up coolers for team water at both parks. The tournament will NOT be providing water stations so make sure you have your water coolers / bottles with you at the fields.... In case of inclement weather we may have to pull teams off the fields (the tournament does not own the park) the fields just got re-sprigged in June so the County is pretty protective when bad weather hits. In this case we will wait it out and then put you back out there once weather has passed. This may put the schedule behind or force us to re-shuffle some games and/or move to other fields. Just have your phone accessible ALL weekend. We apologize in advance if this happens but we all know we don't control Mother Nature!!