



Hosting and General Game Day Guidelines,

The GCYL asks that all member programs need to be cognizant of the standards of sportsmanship and Christian behavior we have set for our league.

Prayer

Opposing teams are asked to meet prior to each game in prayer at midfield. Home team Head Coach is asked to lead the prayer.

Coaches

Officials have the right to designate no more than two points of contact with each team. This is to minimize the number of coaches attempting to talk with the officials and mitigate any confusion. Coaches are asked to behave in a Christian like manner as they are role models for parent and player behavior. If the game is getting out of hand, it is expected that the coaches communicate to each other their concerns in a professional manner.

Fan behavior

The coaches and coordinator are responsible to ensure the parents and fans set the expectation of positive behavior of the fans who attend games.

PA Announcers

Before the start of a game: Ask opposing teams and cheer squads for their rosters.

With the help of the Cheer Team Moms, understand instructions for both cheer squads relative to any music they want played over the PA, when they want it played, etc.

PA Announcers (when applicable) are to call out the results of the play. This information includes:

- players involved in the offensive play
- players involved in the defensive play
- gain or loss on the play
- down and distance

- **PA Announcers will not comment on a game while the play is in progress.**
- **PA Announcers will not sensationalize the play of the home team through the use of player nicknames or extravagant play descriptions.**

Remember the task of the PA Announcer is to recognize the play of all the kids on the field for their benefit.

If a program is playing at a neutral site, the host program will either provide announcers or allow the home team to supply one for that game.

Music - The music must be “clean” in its lyrics and appropriate to the family setting of youth football and a catholic Christian standard. Music should not be played between plays. Sound effects may be played while time is out.

Chain Crews

Chain crews are part of the officiating crew of a game.

Chain crews are the responsibility of the home team even at a neutral site match up. By this positioning they may hear plans being made by the opposition. Chain crews are not permitted to “coach” any players from the sideline in advance of a play or convey any information they may obtain by their proximity to the visiting coaching staff. Chain crews should contain their cheering to acknowledging plays that are made on the field in a respectful fashion. Chain crews are best seen and not heard.

Clock Operations

The home team will be responsible for supplying qualified volunteers for clock operations. Clock operations are a critical part of the game. Clock volunteers should be trained and qualified not only in clock operations but cognizant of officials hand signals for proper clock operation. Clock operators are advised to introduce themselves to the officials prior to each game. At any time and without explanation the officiating crew may decide to keep the official game time on the field should the clock operator(s) not be able to provide adequate clock operations. This choice is at the sole discretion of the officiating crew.

Warm Ups

Adequate space should be identified and provided to all teams for warm ups.

Game Times

Game times are strictly adhered unless a situation beyond either teams control requires the start time to be delayed. Game times should not be delayed for announcements, introductions or other activities with the exception of a prayer before the game. Officials have the right to ask for pre game activities to end and call each team to the field immediately for a prayer and subsequent start of the game.

Admissions

Admissions are a primary source of funds for many programs to cover expenses. Parents, relatives and coaches are asked to support these fund raising efforts for the future of GCYL Youth Football programs.

Each home team has the right to charge admissions at their discretion

- ◆ BANDIT SHALL NOT CHARGE ADMISSION UNLESS COMBINED WITH A VENUE OF PONY, RESERVE AND VARSITY GAMES. DISCRETION IS STILL UP TO THE PROGRAM TO CHARGE.

Referee Fee's for Pony – Varsity are \$72.00 per game per team

Cancellations

There are NO cancellations without approval from the Executive Board of the league.