



BEARS

JUNIOR ALL★AMERICAN FOOTBALL

2010 Volunteer Form

Volunteers are critical. Simply put, our program would not exist without volunteers. We do not compensate any of our volunteers, including coaches, board members and team moms, yet they and many others devote a substantial amount of their time and energy to support our youth sports program.

For example, consider the time our coaches devote. They attend 10 hours of practice per week during pre-season and attend OCJAAF and Bears Junior All American Football meetings and training sessions. During the season, they participate in 6 hours of practice per week and attend games every Saturday. On top of this, most coaches spend additional time each week preparing for games by participating in coaches' meetings, reviewing game films and scouting upcoming opponents. They also spend time talking with parents and their players outside of practice and helping Bears Junior All American Football with activities such as fundraising.

Here are some examples of jobs for which we need volunteers, if you would be able to assist with any of the following, please check the appropriate box:

Team Mom

This is a critical position on each team. The Team Mom, just like a mom at home, has too many responsibilities to list. Among other things, she keeps the team roster, organizes and motivates other team volunteers, knows or gets the answer to every question, makes sure parents know what they need to know and arranges team activities. The Team Mom acts as the link between parents and the team's coach. There can be more than one volunteer Team Mom per individual team.

Team Equipment Manager

The Team Equipment Manager helps with the issuance and collection of football equipment (i.e., helmet, shoulder pads, jersey, pants, etc.). He also is the custodian of the team box that has tools, spare parts and first aid supplies. Among other things, he may replace a broken chin strap or repair a broken helmet snap. The Team Equipment Manager must attend every game.

Weigh-In Official

The Weigh-In Official conducts the official weigh-in and equipment inspection before each game.

Chain Gang

The Chain Gang works the chains during the game, which provides the best view in the house.

Article Writer

The Team Media person writes a short and concise, yet thrilling and engaging, article about each game that is published in the Fullerton Tribune or the Fullerton Observer and posted on the Bears individual team website. The Team Media person may also post pictures on the website.

Field Set-Up & Take-Down

Volunteers are needed early Saturday mornings and Saturday evenings for field preparation and take down. Saturday morning, our volunteers distribute yardage markers on the field, place pads on the goal posts, set up the sound system and rope off the field when we are not using the game field. After the last game ends on Saturday afternoon or evening volunteers will collect and store the yardage markers, post pads, take the rope off the field, and take down the sound system.

Time Clock

Volunteers operate the scoreboard at each game. This involves starting and stopping the game clock and recording the score.

Team Photographer/Videographer

The team photographer takes pictures at games and events for players, their families, a yearbook and/or posting on our website.

Year End Party

Each team has their own league approved celebration at the end of every season. Everyone is given a trophy and individual recognition is made of each participant.

Snack Bar

We will operate a snack bar at every home game. Snack bar profits are an important source of revenue for our program. The snack bar is set-up and staffed by volunteers. The snack bar is conveniently located to provide a view of the game and offers a great opportunity to meet and talk with other members of the Bears family. Each team is assigned a particular Saturday to work. If you have children on multiple teams, you may be asked to work for each team. Should you wish to buy out of your shift, the pre-buy out must be done by the Thursday prior to your shift at the cost of \$75. If you fail to show for your scheduled shift without buying out, you will be assessed a \$100 fine or your child must sit out the following week of practice and their next scheduled game. Volunteering can be rewarding. You get the chance to interact with other Bears family members and to contribute to the program. Without volunteers, we do not have a program and no football players or cheerleaders. We ask that you please do your part.