



Marist Jr. War Eagles 2017 Flag Football

Welcome to the 2017 season! The Marist Jr. War Eagles flag football program is designed to celebrate the great game of football in a non-contact environment and to foster the Marist ideals of sportsmanship, teamwork, dedication, responsibility and leadership on the playing fields.

Please take time to read the following information, as it will provide you with important facts on our upcoming season.

General Information

The 2017 Marist Jr. War Eagles flag football program is a 5-on-5 game format and is comprised of teams at each grade level from 3rd through 6th grade (5th & 6th grade teams will be combined). Teams practice for one hour and then play for one hour on Sunday afternoons during the flag football season. Games are played on Marist football field (Hughes Spalding Stadium).

Special Events

The season kicks off on August 27th this year with “Football Season Kickoff Day.” Former professional football players will be in attendance to work with our Jr. War Eagles on football drills that will prepare them for the upcoming season and give them the experience to learn from the best.

During the fall football season, our Jr. War Eagles will be special guests at a Marist varsity football game. The kids will be announced at the game and teams are encouraged to tailgate prior to the game. This special event will surely be a lasting memory for the kids.

Schedule – Practices & Games

There will not be practices or games on September 3rd (Labor Day Weekend). Regular season games will start on September 10th and run through October 15th. All teams will participate in playoffs on October 23rd regardless of record & championship/consolation games will take place October 29th. Our TENTATIVE schedule is currently:

August 27: NFL Experience Kickoff Sunday 1:30pm-4pm

September 10 – October 15: League practices & games

3rd grade: 12pm-1pm practice, 1pm-2pm games*

4th grade: 1pm-2pm or 2pm-3pm practice, 2pm or 3pm games*

5th & 6th grade: 3pm-4pm practice, 4pm-5pm games*

****Times will vary week to week – could be 1 hour later – schedules will be distributed***

October 22-October 29: Playoffs

Required Equipment

Participants will be provided with game shirts on August 27th. They should wear the game shirt every Sunday during the season. They should also wear shorts with no pockets or have the pockets taped prior to practice (to avoid finger injuries).

Mouth guards are required. Participants will not be allowed to participate without a mouth guard. If a participant forgets his or her mouth guard, extras are available in concession stand.

Hydration is very important. Participants should drink plenty of water both prior to and during the game. Bring plenty of water. Water and Gatorade are also available in the concession stand.

Parents are encouraged to bring fold up chairs to watch along the sidelines. Shade tents are NOT permitted within the gates.

Weather

If questionable or unfavorable weather conditions occur, please make sure to check email or the Jr. War Eagles Facebook page for status.

Logistics

Families should park in the designated parking area at Marist School and walk to the practice and game fields. Only authorized vehicles are allowed in stadium parking spots.



Miscellaneous Items

The Concession Stand will be open from 1pm to 4pm each game day.

Jr. War Eagles Spirit Wear will be available throughout the season. Please inquire about ordering or availability at the concession stand.

The 4th grade through 6th grade leagues will use JUNIOR size footballs. The 3rd grade will use K2/PeeWee size footballs.

Code of Conduct

Everyone involved with the Marist Jr. War Eagles Flag Football program is expected to follow the Code of Conduct. Failure to do so can result in removal from the program or other actions. By participating in the program, you must agree to the following:

- I agree to encourage an environment that is positive, supportive, and healthy—both physically and mentally—while participants learn the sport of football.
 - I agree that it is a privilege, not a right, for my child to participate in the Marist Jr. War Eagles Flag Football program.
 - I agree to encourage sportsmanship and fair play, which are essential to all sports and activities.
 - I agree that because children learn by example, parents, coaches, and volunteers need to exemplify the highest level of conduct, sportsmanship, and fair play. Personal conduct at games, practices, and other team events must be above reproach and represent the highest standards of morality and sportsmanship.
 - I agree to support the coaches and referees. I agree to refrain from directing any abusive or profane language toward the coaches, players, referees, or anyone associated with the program. I also agree to communicate any constructive criticism in a private, non-confrontational manner.
 - I agree to not instigate or participate in any confrontations in front of the children. Disagreements will be handled calmly in the absence of the children.
 - I agree to refrain from alcohol consumption or tobacco use during practices or games.
 - I agree that the overall objective is to provide a fun, sports-oriented experience for our children.
- If you know of a violation of the Code of Conduct, please contact us immediately.

Please direct any questions to maristjrwareagles@gmail.com.