



Petoskey Pop Warner Football Association REGISTRATION POLICIES & WAIVERS

In addition to the Pop Warner Little Scholars, Inc Parental/Guardian Permissions and Waivers, the following Petoskey Pop Warner Football Association (PPWFA) Policies and Waivers apply.

PPWFA POLICIES

- 1. Membership:** Your membership commences the date you complete all of the registration requirements, payments, and/or when required approved by PPWFA, as well as approval, if applicable, by YMCA, and/or Pop Warner. Membership automatically terminates on December 31 or if you voluntarily resign or when you are expelled as a result of disciplinary action. Only the Executive Board of Directors have voting rights. PPWFA reserves the right to refuse membership without comment.
- 2. Paperwork & Payment Policy:** **Your child will not be issued any equipment or allowed on the field until we have received payment of all fees and deposits, all required forms are completed and signed,** and all membership requirements established by the Board of Directors have been met. Membership is not guaranteed.
- 3. Registration Fees:** The regular registration fee for tackle football players is \$145.00 (US). All registration fees are mandatory and are a condition of membership.
- 4. Work & Equipment Bond:** Petoskey Pop Warner Football Association (PPWFA) is an ALL-VOLUNTEER organization. For the Football program to be successful we need everyone to do their part in volunteering. The Board has elected to require a Volunteer & Equipment Bond Deposit that will serve to instill a family's commitment to the PPWFA program by volunteering and supporting the program. Equipment prices and maintenance requirements have increased tremendously in the past several years. The Bond will serve to encourage the return of the Association's equipment at the end of the season. The Bond will be in the form of a postdated check for November 1 of the current year and is due at the time of Equipment Pick-Up. The Bond is REFUNDABLE, with the check returned to you at the end of the season, if all of the Work & Equipment Bond conditions are met. Please see the current Work & Equipment Bonds Agreement for further details.
- 5. Refund Policy & Insufficient Funds Policy:** See our SOP Refund & Insufficient Funds policy found on our website for details.
- 6. Age & Weight Requirements:** Players must meet age and applicable weight requirements in order to participate in PPWFA activities. Each player must present legal proof of age in the form of a State issued birth certificate (or the equivalent document for those born outside of the U.S.). It shall be a condition of membership to provide such proof for each player. Falsification of any information shall be grounds for immediate dismissal. Official weights, if and when needed, will be done by PPWFA staff.
- 7. Physicals:** A statement signed from a Licensed State Medical Practitioner dated after January 1, of the current year that your child is physically fit and there are no observable conditions which would contra-indicate playing football. The current year Pop Warner Physical Fitness & Medical History Form is included in the registration packet available on our website.
- 8. Report Cards:** It is mandatory condition of the Pop Warner Little Scholars, Inc program that every player provide proof of scholastic fitness. You must submit a copy of a report card for the school year ending in June of the current year, or obtain a written document from the school (containing the school stamp thereon) indicating "Satisfactory Progress" is being achieved by your child. The Home school form is available on our website.
- 9. Team Assignments:** There are **no** guarantees expressed or implied that any specific player will be assigned to any specific coach, team, or division. See our SOP Team Selection on our website.
- 10. Attendance:** Football players must complete 10 hours of practice before participating in contact drills. Football players must complete 20 hours of practice before participating in inter-squad scrimmages or games. Players must contact their coach if they are unable to attend a practice. Parents/Guardians are responsible for having their player at all scheduled practices during the week. If a player misses 1 practice during the week mandatory play rules are no longer in effect. If a player misses 2 or more practices in any given week during the season, then he/she may not be eligible to play in that weekend's game. Every player is expected to attend all games and support their team.



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11. **Fields of Play:** No parents, spectators, or other children are allowed on the field during practice or games (including sidelines) unless authorized by PPWFA. Only Board approved coaches may be on the field during practice or games. Animals are prohibited at ALL events.
12. **Weather/Cancellations:** We will practice in ALL types of weather except when there is a storm accompanied by lightning. If a practice or game is cancelled ahead of time, you will receive either a phone call, text, or email from one of your coaches or team parent. You may also check our FaceBook page for updates. If lightening occurs during practice it will be cancelled immediately. Please be aware of any of any conditions that look unfavorable and stay close by in the event that we need to cancel a practice.
13. **Drop-Off & Pick-Up:** You are expected to have your child at games and practices on time and pick them up immediately at the end of practice. It is unfair to expect our volunteers to stay late with your child. Please make other arrangements for your child to be picked up or dropped off if you are unable to do so. As a safety issue, please **DO NOT** leave your child at the field unattended.
14. **Equipment:** A PLAYER MUST BE PRESENT FOR EQUIPMENT PICK-UP. All equipment is to be used for PPWFA activities only and all equipment remains the legal property of the Association. All equipment is to be returned immediately upon the withdrawal of said player from the Association.
15. **Insurance:** The YMCA Football Association has Accident Insurance coverage to help assist with medical and hospital expenses. The Association insurance is considered as secondary coverage, when there is any other valid and collectible coverage provided by the parent's / guardian's separate insurance. Any injury must be reported immediately to the Head Coach but no later than twenty-four (24) hours from the date of injury.
16. **No Bailment Established For Member's Possessions:** At no time does PPWFA guarantee the safety of your possessions. PPWFA hereby explicitly declares, and you agree, that no bailment shall ever be established for your personal possessions by PPWFA at any and all PPWFA activities.
17. **Governing Rules & Body:** As a condition of membership, all Members of PPWFA are obligated to abide by the decisions, rules, regulations, bylaws, policies, and procedures set forth by Pop Warner Little Scholars, Inc., YMCA Pop Warner Football Association, and PPWFA. This also includes, but is not limited to, decisions regarding placement of members on teams. This also includes, but is not limited to, decisions regarding refunds. Any non-compliance with the rules, regulations, by-laws, policies, procedures, or decisions of the aforementioned shall be cause for disciplinary action taken against said player, parent/guardian, coach, team parent, spectator, or team up to and including expulsion.
18. **Conduct:** Members whose conduct, in the opinion of PPWFA, is a danger or abusive to themselves, or others may be removed from participation. We are on public school property and must abide by all school rules including absolutely no alcohol, tobacco, weapons, or illegal drugs allowed on any of the practice or game fields. Carefully review and sign the Parent Code of Conduct included in this registration packet.
19. **Severability:** Should any portion of this agreement found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, all remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect with as much of their original intent as legally possible. This entire agreement shall be governed by the State of Michigan.



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Dispute Resolution: If I myself, my spouse, my child and on behalf of my/our heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, bring any legal action against any of the aforementioned individuals, and/or organization(s), I (we) agree to indemnify the aforementioned individuals and organization(s) for and/or liability and/or costs and/or expenses they may incur. This specifically includes indemnity for all attorney expenses, legal expenses, costs, including any amount of settlement, or the amount of any jury verdict.

Equipment Substitution Waiver: I, the parent/legal guardian of above-named child, hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants, coaches, officials, board members and league officials from any claim arising out of an injury to my child arising at a time when my child was using equipment not issued by Petoskey Pop Warner Football Association. This waiver is final and irrevocable.

Willing Compliance & Responsibility: I/We willingly agree to comply with the program’s stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If I observe any unusual significant concern in my child’s readiness for participation and/or in the program itself, I will remove my child from the participation and bring such attention of the nearest official, board member, or coach immediately. It is also my responsibility to ensure that my child understands the necessity of following the instructions of the coaches with regard to the use of safety equipment and proper techniques of play for tackle football; and,

Communications & Media Consent: I/We consent that the photographs, artwork, audio, video, or writing submitted may be used by Petoskey Pop Warner Association in whatever way they desire, including television, CDs, web page, publications, and any other form for the storage, retrieval and reproduction of information or images.

Release & Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement: I myself, my spouse, my child and on behalf of my/our heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE and do HEREBY agree and contract to INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS Petoskey Pop Warner Football Association, board members, affiliated organizations, sponsors, coaches, assistant coaches, officials, volunteers, persons transporting my child to and from activities, other participants/players, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the activities (“Releasees”) WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURIES, ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property incident to my child’s involvement or participation in these programs, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law however, it shall not bar actions for intentional gross or wanton negligence.

Parental Consent: I/We, the PARENT/GUARDIAN(S) of the above-mentioned candidate member for a position on a PPWFA Team, hereby give my approval to his/her participation in any and all PPWFA activities during the current season. I/We, the undersigned by signing below am certifying that all information provided on all registration forms is accurate. I hereby understand and acknowledge that as a parent/guardian of a PPWFA participant it is my responsibility to comply with all rules and regulations stipulated, adopted by PPWFA, YMCA, or Pop Warner Little Scholars and understand that any non-compliance with any and all rules and regulations may be cause for discipline and/or dismissal of the participant, myself, and/or any spectators or persons affiliated with the above named participant.

I/We have accurately completed this document and have read & understand the above policies. I/We hereby voluntarily agree to the terms, conditions, stipulations, and policies contained or referred to herein.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____

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