

# Buckeye Youth Football Association, Inc.

## 2021 Spring Football & Cheer Confirmation & Waiver Form

BYFA will participate in the Lake Erie Youth Football League (LEYFL) Spring 2021 football season. This will give all league communities the opportunity to make up for the cancelled Fall 2020 season. A traditional Fall 2021 season will also be planned.

The Spring 2021 season will comply with all Buckeye Youth Athletics Outdoor Practice Protocols for COVID-19 listed on the following page. These guidelines for players, spectators, and coaches are put in place for the safety and wellbeing of our community. Parents will **NOT** be permitted on the fields during practices. *Participants shall not enter the field without BOTH a passed temperature check and individual water bottle not to be shared.* Face coverings must be worn to and from the field but are not required on the field per the protocols.

**Season Details:** Practices to begin the week of March 15th. A 6 game season will start the weekend of April 10<sup>th</sup> running through May 15th. The first 5 games will determine the 6th and final Bowl Game week. LEYFL and BYFA know there will be conflicts with other Spring sports and will do their best to be flexible with practice and game schedules.

**Divisions:** Same as planned for the Fall 2020 season. Grades K-2 Flag, 3-4 Padded Flag, 4-5 Rookie Tackle, 5-6 11v11 Varsity

**Payment:** The fee for each football and cheer participant is shown per grade level below. Payment will not be accepted until equipment handout prior to the start of practices. Payable by cash or check. Checks shall be made out to BYFA.

Grades K to 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	\$75
Grades 3 <sup>rd</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> :	\$125 ( <i>reduced from Fall fee</i> )

**Registration:** The Spring 2021 registration period will be January 16th through February 27th. Drive through registration dates shall be Jan-16 10am-12pm, Feb-6 10am-12pm and Feb-21 4-6pm at the Buckeye Youth Football Fields. Mail in registration will also be accepted during this period (BYFA, P.O. Box 570, Valley City, OH, 44280). Any registration received beyond the deadline may be placed on a waiting list. Documents submitted for the Fall 2020 season will carry over to Spring 2021. However, each cheerleader and football player **must confirm their Spring 2021 participation by submitting this completed form.** New registrations will also be accepted.

**Physical:** All 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grade football players need an active physical on file before participating in practice or games. Physicals completed just prior to the Fall 2020 cancellation shall carry over to Spring 2021. Grades K-2 flag football do not require a physical.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (K - 6<sup>th</sup> only) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mom Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Dad Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please check one:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Participant previously registered for the Fall 2020 season and those submitted documents shall carry over for Spring 2021

\_\_\_\_\_ Participant has **NOT** previously registered for the Fall 2020 season. The Fall 2020 registration form and other required documents (grade card, *COPY* of birth certificate and wallet sized picture) are submitted along with this form

### **\*\*\*\*\* Please Read Carefully Before Signing \*\*\*\*\***

Buckeye Youth Football Association, Inc. has not, and does not carry medical insurance for participants, I understand if necessary, any and all medical expenses for my child are my responsibility. We consent to our child's participation in the Buckeye Youth Football Association, Inc., (BYFA, Inc.) program. In consideration for permitting our child to participate in the activities conducted by BYFA, Inc., we relieve, waive, discharge, covenant and relinquish any and all action or cause of action against BYFA, Inc., its Officers, Promoters, Officials, Staff, Coaches and/or Volunteers for personal injury, death and/or property damage occurring to our child as a result of engaging or receiving instruction in activities conducted by the BYFA, Inc. We further release all Officials, Officers, Promoters, Staff, Coaches, and/or Volunteers from any claim whatsoever on account of first aid, treatment, or service rendered to their child during participation in BYFA, Inc. activities. We agree to return all equipment issued, cleaned and in good condition to BYFA, Inc., and we accept the responsibility for the replacement cost of any equipment not returned to BYFA, Inc. by the date notified for its return.

### **Covid-19 Waiver of Liability and Indemnification**

I agree that I am personally responsible for my safety and actions of my child while using the Buckeye Youth Football Fields at the Buckeye Local School District. I agree to comply with all OHSAA and the Ohio Department of Health policies and rules, including but not limited to all Buckeye Local School District policies, guidelines, signage, and instructions, which have been made available to me. Because Buckeye Local School District is open for use by other individuals, I recognize that I am at higher risk of contracting COVID-19. With full awareness and appreciation of the risks involved, I, for myself and on behalf of my family, spouse, estate, heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, and personal representatives, hereby forever release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue Buckeye Youth Football Association (BYFA), Buckeye Local

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School District, its board members, administrators, Athletic Directors, coaches, employees, agents and volunteers (collectively the "Released Parties") from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever, directly or indirectly arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by me related to COVID-19 whether caused by the negligence of the Released Parties, any third-party using Buckeye Local School District, or otherwise, while participating in any activity while in, on, or around Buckeye Local School District and/or while using any BLSD or BYFA facilities, tools, equipment, or materials.

I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Released Parties from and against any and all costs, expenses, damages, claims, lawsuits, judgments, losses, and/or liabilities (including attorney fees) arising either directly or indirectly from or related to any and all claims made by me, my family, spouse, estate, heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, and personal representatives against any of the Released Parties due to bodily injury, death, loss of use, monetary loss, or any other injury from or related to my interaction with BLSD or BYFA staff and/or use of the BLSD and BYFA facilities, tools, equipment, or materials, whether caused by the Released Parties or otherwise specifically related to COVID-19. By signing below I acknowledge and represent that I have read the foregoing Waiver of Liability, understand it and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed, including without limitation the Release of Liability and Indemnification requirements contained in this document; I am sufficiently informed about the risks involved in using the BLSD and BYFA to decide whether to sign this document; no oral representations, statements, or inducements, apart from the foregoing written agreement, have been made; I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and fully competent and am legally capable of execution of this release and waiver on behalf of the minor child named below; and I execute this document for full, adequate, and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by the same. I agree that this Waiver of Liability shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Ohio law, and that if any of the provisions hereof are found to be unenforceable, the remainder shall be enforced as fully as possible and the unenforceable provision(s) shall be deemed modified to the limited extent required to permit enforcement of the Waiver of Liability as a whole. This waiver remains in effect regardless of whether State of Ohio lifts all COVID-19 related mandates.

### BUCKEYE YOUTH ATHLETICS - OUTDOOR GAME AND PRACTICE PROTOCOLS

The purpose of this document is to ensure responsible return to play. These guidelines for players, spectators, and coaches are put in place for the safety and well being of our community. This document is to be used in concert with the recommendations set forth by state and local officials. The most up to date information can be found by visiting [www.coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov).

**Health Assessments** – Players, coaches, spectators, and officials must conduct daily symptom checks prior to any on campus activity. This self-assessment must be done prior to each event. Anyone experiencing symptoms must not attend the event.

**Social Distancing** – Players and spectators are expected to maintain a safe distance before, during, and after activities. Parents are encouraged to drop players off at practice. For those choosing to stay, it is expected that they maintain a safe distance from other spectators and players. Six feet social distance must be maintained when not on the field of play.

**Face Coverings** – Everyone must wear face coverings to and from the fields. Players and coaches may remove face coverings during competition but must replace when not in the game.

**Equipment** – Coaches will set up equipment and follow proper sanitation procedures.

**Hand Sanitizer/Hand Washing** – Please wash hands often. If hand washing is not an option, please use hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer will be available at each game and practice.

**Travel** – Teams must follow the State and Local guidelines established by the public health jurisdiction to which the team is traveling. When traveling outside the city, we must adhere to any additional guidelines of the host community.

**Suspected/Confirmed Cases** – Will work with the local health department to identify individuals who were potentially exposed to help facilitate contact tracing. Any affected individual must follow the procedures set forth by the Ohio Department of Health before returning to competition.

Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_