

Panther Pride Weekly

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OYTF General Information

5th Week of Games – Good Luck Panthers!

General Oswego Youth Tackle Football (OYTF) Questions

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I would like to remind everyone to please pick up and dispose of their trash at the practice/game field and to supervise their children at the practice/game field to prevent damage/injury to the areas we have been given permission to use. We are very fortunate to be able to use Grande Park for our practice fields and Oswego High School (OHS) for our game field so please respect this privilege.

Game Schedule – Week 5

This week's schedule is below - Coaches will advise participants on when they should report to the field to prepare for the game. The times below are the game times starting with the superlight (SL) level.

Frankfort Black @ Oswego White - Saturday, September 12th @ 2:00 p.m. – Oswego High School (OHS) – 4250 Route 71, Oswego, IL 60543.

Oswego Orange @ Oswego Blue - -- Sunday, September 13th @ 11:00 a.m. - Oswego High School (OHS) – 4250 Route 71, Oswego, IL 60543.

Practice Information

Practice will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. Tuesday – Thursday @ Grande Park for football and cheerleading squads next week – please make sure that you are there on time to pick up your child from practice.

NO Practice on Monday's and Friday's.

New Board Members

Please welcome our new members to the Oswego Youth Tackle Football Board of Directors.

Orange Cheer Commissioner – Lisa Kowalczyk

Community Relations – Lynn Cullick

Red Flag Reminder

If the RED flag is posted by the equipment trailer and also in the paved parking lot, please remain at the field with your child. Weather changes quickly and we need to be able to clear the field if the situation arises.

OPEN Board Positions

Food Coordinator for the 2010 Season – contact Elizabeth @ elizabeth@oytf.org or by phone at (630) 801-4186 if interested.

SPIRITWEAR

Michele Stradal – (630) 551-7733

(open 5 to 7 p.m. – Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, located in the paved parking lot at the practice field)

NEW: 30th ANNIVERSARY DECALS are HERE!!!

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS FOR HOME VS. HOME GAMES: See your Parent Rep for spots available.

Looking for an ASSISTANT ON BLUE AND ON WHITE. Call me if you are interested.

BUFFALO WILD WINGS NIGHT!!!

The Buffalo Wild Wings (BWW's) fundraisers are all day long for dine in and carry out. The colors and teams don't have to attend their respective nights they could attend another night.

Tuesdays are our "wing" night. Traditional wings are \$.65 each in any quantity of four or more. BWW has 14 sauces to choose from starting with sweet BBQ and all the way to blazing.

Monday, Sept 21 White Superlight & Junior Varsity

Tuesday, Sept 22 White Lightweight & Varsity

Monday, Sept 28 Orange Superlight & Junior Varsity

Tuesday, Sept 29 Orange Lightweight & Varsity

Monday, Oct 5 Blue Superlight & Junior Varsity

Tuesday, Oct 6 Blue Lightweight & Varsity

How to participate:

15% of the check pre tax goes back to OYTF - just write OYTF and your color/team at the top of the receipt and give to your server or the cashier.

8TH GRADE RECOGNITION: Will be held September 12th & 13th at our home games.

From the Blue Parent Representative

Andri Noesges – (630) 880-6973 or bpr@oytf.org

What a great weekend for all the blue teams. Congratulations to each and every one of you!!! Very hard earned and well deserved victories.

Thursday I will be on the practice field with this weekend's volunteer list as well as a year-to-date volunteer information for each family. If you have not yet volunteered, please see me asap and let's get it scheduled. If you cannot find me on the practice field (I'm usually by SLW & LW Blue football fields) please call me (630) 880-6973 or email me bpr@oytf.org.

YOU MUST GET YOUR VOLUNTEERING COMPLETED SO YOU CAN RECEIVE YOUR FAMILY USER FEE AT THE END OF THE SEASON AS WELL AS KEEP YOUR RETURNING PLAYER/CHEER STATUS.

Sunday's games Orange vs. Blue begin at 11am. The SLW 5th quarter will begin at 10:30. Please note the change in volunteer times on the handout on Thursday. Field set up and food shack set up and grilling will begin at 8:30am. Please be on time.

Please be considerate of the fields we use and clean up after yourselves. Volunteers that set up the games do not like cleaning up trash from previous people.

Also, be respectful of the ropes that are set up. These are set up per River Valley guidelines.

Please remember that sign in for football players is by half time of the game prior to theirs. For home games, the sign in book is located in the food shack. For away games I have the book with me.

I WILL NO LONGER TRY TO FIND YOU TO GET YOUR SIGNATURE. If you do not have the players signed before they weigh in, then they don't play. Please help me keep your boys in the game. I really don't want to eliminate the boys from playing. This is about them and for them.

There is a schedule error from the ORIGINAL River Valley posted game. Game 7 Blue vs. Ottawa at OHS is not on Saturday, September 26 at 2pm. **GAME 7 IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AT 11:00am.**

Please see me at the practice fields next week to review your volunteer slots and time and to ensure that you're still available for your volunteering on Sunday, Sept 27 vs. Ottawa. The schedule posted on our website is the correct game schedule for the season. River Valley's original schedule was revised.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO VIDEOTAPE THE BLUE GAMES. IF YOU CAN HELP DO THIS, PLEASE LET ME KNOW ASAP.

As always please let me know if there is anything you may need. And again, thank you to all the fabulous volunteers!!! Couldn't run this program without you!! **GO BLUE!!!**

CHEERLEADING CHATTER.....

Blue Cheer Commissioner – Diana Wolff – (630) 554- 9431 or wolff6pack@comcast.net

Orange Cheer Commissioner – Lisa Kowalczyk – (630) 551-3998 or lisa@oytf.org

White Cheer Commissioner – Sharon Snyder – (630) 554-7343 or sharon@oytf.org

Congratulations to this week's Spirit Stick Winners!

Blue Junior Varsity

Orange Lightweights

White Superlights

The girls did a fantastic job this weekend- keep up the good work!

A HUGE Panther Thank You to all of our coaches and junior coaches- you are doing a wonderful job with the girls! We really appreciate all you do for OYTF!

A few reminders:

Cheerleading ends at 7:15. Please make sure your daughter is picked up promptly, especially if she rides home with a football coach. DO NOT let your daughter wait in the playground for her ride.

Uniforms: We have noticed a number of uniforms that are already stained. Please wash the uniform regularly in cold on the gentle cycle and hang to dry. DO NOT dry clean and DO NOT dry in the dryer. Please see one of the cheer commissioners if you cannot get a stain out and we can offer suggestions.

Many of the girls have worn face paint to the games- it is your responsibility to make sure this does not stain the uniforms. (Replacement cost is \$150.00).

Waistbands- these sometimes get twisted when the girls change. Please try to put them back in their original shape right away and feel free to ask us for help.

Game Day: Please make sure you sign in your daughter before the start of her game so she can perform, thank you.

Practices: Please continue to let your daughter's coach know if she will be absent.

Good Luck this weekend girls! Go Panthers!