



COACHES EMAIL UPDATE #5

All coaches should be sending this information out to all their parents to help with communications.

1. HOTEL TRAVEL DISCOUNT PROGRAM - Don't forget we are now offering a Hotel Discount Travel Program for FSYFL teams when they go on their travel trips as well as for Special events like State and Pro Bowl. For links to these hotels go here <http://www.fsyfl.com/fsyfl-hotel-program/>
2. FIELD DIRECTIONS - are available on the FSYFL Website and FSYFL Apps <http://www.fsyfl.com/field-directions/>
3. D1 / D2 - If you have chosen the D2 tournament and you are "sandbagging" you need to understand that if you get moved up at the playoffs you will go into the D1 playoffs as the LAST seed and be playing the #1 D1 seed in the first round. The decision to move a D2 to D1 at season end is entirely and FSYFL decision and I rarely get lobbied to change the committee decision. Do it now if you are in doubt. Midnight tonight is the deadline!
4. PHONE APPS - Did you get the FSYFL App yet? If not...download it here Google Play App Store / Android <http://bit.ly/FSYFLAndroid> iTunes App Store / iOS <http://bit.ly/FSYFLiOS>
5. INSTANT SCORES & STANDINGS - Remember as soon as each game is finished at all the fields the scores are posted instantly, live and in color on the Team Console, the FSYFL App and the FSYFL website. The total standings are posted and updated right after the last game in the state takes place...no waiting! This is the FSYFL-technology at its finest!
6. VARSITY - On Varsity games we have 2 strikes and you are out rule. Each team gets ONE personal/unsportsman foul. The first personal foul committed by one of your players, means you have used your "free" strike. From then on out ALL personal/unsportsman fouls following that FIRST one will result in the ejection of that player whoever he/she is, and it continues through the entire game. Rule of thumb in varsity games....don't commit personal or unsportsman like penalties and you will be ok...do it and the whole team suffers.
7. REFEREES - FSYFL referees go through our extensive training just like every other sporting tournament. They are not perfect. But they do not coach or play the game....you do. FSYFL has a Director of Referees, who deals with complaints etc. Do not engage our on field referees you will lose! Complaints should be emailed to FSYFL after the game not litigated while a game is going on. Get suspended or ejected by an FSYFL referee and you will surely receive a "next game" suspension. I rarely reverse those situations.
8. D1 vs D2 games (or the reverse) do NOT count for win/loss, points for/against or records. Be smart, play them for the fun of the game.
9. PLAYOFFS - FSYFL is a unique tournament in that all teams make the playoffs. Smart teams keep their powder dry. If you are a D1 playing a D2 let your second string play as much as possible. Silly to blow someone out for no reason.
10. We always call rain delays AT THE FIELD. In Florida weather changes by the minute. If it is raining GO TO THE FIELD.
11. CERTIFICATIONS AT FIELDS - If you have not taken advantage of the pre-season certifications, my advice is to go to the field at least 2 hours early. There will be a lot of teams trying to get their players certified. If you arrive tomorrow and do not have the right paperwork your player will not play. The FSYFL does NOT ALLOW ANY WAIVERS PERIOD!
12. GATES - Gate fees at FSYFL games EVERYWHERE are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 6-12 yrs. Badged coaches and players are free. If you do not have your badge expect to pay. Gates check the photos on your badges, if you do have a clear photo go back to your consoles and get a clear one uploaded. You may end paying at the gate if not.
13. ADDING PLAYERS - Team scan add players up to the 3rd week of games (i.e March 4th) If your player misses weight they can try as many times as they want to make it up to this date.