



#1 Why should I join the BHYFL?

The BHYFL is our area's #1 and premier youth football program and only cheer leading program. We have been Rapid City's Youth Sports club of the Year, and we have associations in nearly every community in Western SD that has a High School, including 3 associations right here in Rapid City. If you believe your son or daughter deserves nothing but the best experience in youth sports, please know that the BHYFL does not settle for anything less than the best for all our children.

#2 What is the difference between the BHYFL and different youth football leagues?

The BHYFL is the only youth football in our area to offer ALL of the following: Cheer leading, real 100-yard fields (area colleges and high schools) with actual goal posts, scoreboards, time clocks, real rules, player introductions and announcing. The BHYFL focuses on safety, with new equipment, background checked and certified/trained coaches, USA Football/Heads Up coach training, NFL team names and a very nice jersey which is personalized for your participant and that they get to keep!

#3 What is cheer like?

Cheer is sideline cheer, dance and routines. Your girls will get a uniform to wear, pom poms etc. You may have to purchase the uniform and accessories. There is a cheer competition held at the end of the season where all associations come together and perform a cheer and dance.

#5 What does my registration fee go for?

Among being able to provide all the things listed above in #2, registration fees pay for year-round league expenses to include, but not limited to the following: Equipment, field use (when it applies), referees, insurance, printing, advertising, website and credit card processing fees, supplies, background checks, labor payroll, awards, gifts, storage, and more.

#6 Is participation in a fundraiser required?

In an effort to keep the cost for participation to a minimum, most associations will do at least one fundraiser, which the participants should participate in. Associations each have their own expenses that fund-raising and sponsorship go towards. Each association is their own standalone organization and are able to handle much of their own affairs, including sponsors and fund-raising, keeping those funds. Each Association will ask for a deposit check. That check will be returned to you once you have fulfilled your fundraiser.

#7 Do I have to volunteer?

Yes. Our league is purely run with the help of volunteers. There are things such as concessions, being on the field running the chains, helping with MPR (Minimum play requirement sheet), setting up or tearing down the field and many more. A deposit for volunteer time may be asked of you. Once you have fulfilled your volunteer time you will get your deposit back.

#8 What is an Association? How are we represented?

The BHYFL currently is broken into geographical associations, each association with their own non-profit status and board of directors. Each association has a Commissioner that is part of overseeing BHYFL Board of Commissioners. They meet regularly and discuss, debate and vote on issues.

#9 What Association should I register my participant for?

Register for the association that represents your community, if in Rapid City, is broken into geographical regions by middle school district. Please see chart for information.

#10 What Division should I register my participant for?

Divisions are according to school grade in the fall season. Please see chart for breakdown.

#11 When does the season start?

Our season is the traditional fall season youth football league of 3 months. We begin practice on or about the 1st of August. The regular season games begin in September, the season goes for 7 regular season games, followed by play offs and then our Division Super Bowls, ending by the 2nd week in November.

#12 When and where are practices and games?

Games are every Saturday between 8am and 5pm. There may be an occasional game under the lights at night, and there is a possibility of a makeup scheduled game on a week night if necessary. Games are held at the local high schools around the community, SDSMT, Sioux Park and other designated fields.

Practice is limited to 2 hours per session and 3 times per week. Practices cannot be held on weekends without the approval of the BHYFL. The practice schedule and location will be set up by each association and coaching staff

#13 When is the deadline to register?

We STRONGLY recommend registering as soon as you realize your family wishes to play in the fall. There is a maximum of 25 players per team to insure a better experience for all players. More than 25 per team may be approved by the BHYFL. If the team you are requesting is full, you may be offered placement on a different team or placed on a waiting list. The actual registration deadline is July 1st, but most teams are at a capacity prior to that time. NO REGISTRATIONS ARE COMPLETE WITHOUT FULL PAYMENT.