

## **PLAYING TIME EXPECTATION**

### **Pleasant Youth Football**

**Purpose: To inform parents, guardians, and players of the expectation of playing time throughout the season.**

Pleasant Youth Football is a non-profit organization established for the purpose of further promoting the progressive development of the sport of tackle football. The coaches do their best to teach the fundamentals of the game, but football can teach children much more. Football teaches life lessons for children on how to compete, how to be disciplined, how to work hard, how to accomplish something bigger, how to deal with ups and downs, how to be a good teammate and more.

All are important as they go through life and each player is part of the team whether they play or not. Please positively reinforce the fact that they are valued by the coaches and the team regardless if they play every snap or their snaps are limited.

#### **Regular Season**

The Pleasant Youth Football program operates a learn-to-play football organization through the regular season. We make it very clear from day one that our goal is to get everyone playing time during the regular season.

Even so, there may be reasons that their time is limited in games. These reasons can include that fact that they have told one of the coaches they don't want to go in, the coaches are legitimately afraid for their safety, they don't pay attention and/or participate at games or during practice, etc. They may also be the best player on the team, but we want to also give other players an opportunity. Over the years, we have seen all of these to be true at some point.

#### **Playoffs/Youth Bowl**

During the playoffs and the Youth Bowl there is no guarantee of playing time. The players earn their spots throughout the year for the playoff and Youth Bowl.

This isn't the YMCA or Upward football; the players don't get participation trophies. If we are in the position to get them in a game for the playoffs or Youth Bowl, we will. If we are not, then we won't.

By signing below, I acknowledge the playing time expectation for Pleasant Youth Football.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_