



# 2020 Warrior Football Parent Handbook 2020

## [SCWarriorFootball.com](http://SCWarriorFootball.com)

### *Mission Statement*

*The Santa Clarita Valley Athletic Association (SCVAA) came into existence to provide and promote a healthy atmosphere for training the youth of our community in the sport of football. The SCVAA is a non-profit organization and all coaches and adult personnel are volunteers. Our coaches, some of who are coaching for the first time, become involved primarily to share in the experience with the children. They are concerned with promoting safety, teaching the fundamentals of the game, and providing a fun environment. Winning is always secondary to these objectives.*

*Our organization is committed to providing a safe, healthy and fun place to cultivate the qualities that are inherent in the game of football. We believe that football teaches camaraderie, teamwork, discipline, and respect for others and a competitive drive. Warrior Football has made youth football a reality in the Santa Clarita Valley for over 54 years. We continue to be the largest and longest running youth football program in our valley.*

### *The PYFL*

*Warrior Football is a proud member of the Pacific Youth Football League (PYFL). The PYFL shares in the belief that the friendly spirit of competition and sportsmanship help build the youth of today.*

*The teams listed below make up the PYFL. We can play any of these teams in the course of our season and playoffs. Our league does include travelling to other towns for games. In turn, many of these teams will travel to our valley and play us at one of our home fields; Valencia High School or Hart High School.*

*Agoura/Oak Park Eagles • Burbank Vikings • Camarillo Roadrunners • Calabasas Wolfpack  
Fillmore So Cal Bears • Highland Bulldogs*

*Moorpark Musketeers • North Oxnard Warriors • Ojai Eagles • Oxnard Panthers*

*Palmdale Falcons • Santa Barbara Sharks*

*Santa Clarita Valley Warriors • Santa Paula Cardinals • South Valley Raiders • Thousand Oaks Titans  
Valley Rams • Valley West Ravens • West Lancaster Eagle*

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## Divisions

### 2020 PYFL Weights & Ages

For 27 seasons, the Pacific Youth Football League (PYFL) has prided itself on providing a youth football league that is dedicated to the safety and well being of its athletes.

When determining ages and weights for a division, age, mental maturation and size are all aspects which need to be considered. Over these 27 seasons, we've observed that while size does play a factor, mental maturation mostly outweighs size.

We do not believe a child should be forced to play up 2 age groups merely because they are heavier. Our reason for this belief is that it does not account for the mental maturity or speed of a child that is 2 years older.

Furthermore, we understand from time-to-time there will be the rare athletes who possess size, skill and speed. In that rare instance, the PYFL will celebrate these players and the special gifts they possess among their peers.

While weight limits are still in place, we are pleased to offer a safe, age appropriate football league by providing kids the best opportunity to play and experience the game of football with kids predominantly their own age.

### 2021 WINTER AGES AND WEIGHT MATRIX

PACIFIC YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE AGES & WEIGHTS					
GREMLINS	PEEWEEES	BANTAMS	MIDGETS	JUNIORS	SENIORS
Age 6 Max Wt: Unlimited	Age 8* Max Wt: 130	Age 10* Max Wt: 145	Age 11* Max Wt: 160	Age 12* Max Wt: 175	Age 13* Max Wt: 195
Age 7 Max Wt: Unlimited	Age 9** Max Wt: 125	Age 11** Max Wt: 80	Age 12** Max Wt: 100	Age 13** Max Wt: 110	Age 14* Max Wt: 195
	Age 8 131lbs+ = X Player	Age 10 146lbs+ = X Player	Age 11 161lbs+ = X Player	Age 12 176lbs+ = X Player	Age 13 or 14 196lbs+ = X Player
	Age 9 126lbs+ = X Player				
*League age determined by 7/31/2020. No weight gain allowed for post season.					
** Playdown league age determined by 12/1/2020 <b>WINTER 2021 ONLY</b>					

PYFL Winter 2021 Ages & Weights

**Players must be in 8th grade or below to participate. Athletes must turn at least 6 years old prior to July 31, 2020. NO player may be older than 14 years old. Players that are 14 years old and turn 15 prior to July 31, 2020 are ineligible to participate. Any athlete in high school (9th grade or higher) is ineligible to participate. Any athlete under 45 pounds of weight is ineligible to participate. Players cannot be older than the specified age by July 31, 2020. Beginning in 2019, all "Play-Down" players must remain the same age for the duration of the year. For example, a 12 year old Midget "Play-Down" must remain 12 years old for the entirety of 2020 through to December 31st.**

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## Required Paperwork

*Necessary paperwork can be found by visiting our website SCWarriorFootball.com In order to complete your son's registration you must turn in the following:*

- *SCVAA Registration Form – due on Paperwork Turn-in Day*
- *Signed Parent Code of Conduct – due on Paperwork Turn-in Day*
- *Signed Player Code of Conduct – due on Paperwork Turn-in Day*
- *Current Utility Bill – due on Paperwork Turn-in Day*
- *Original PYFL Physical Form – due before the first day of practice (July 22nd)*
- *Report Card – due prior to the PYFL Certification This is required for all Senior and play down Junior athletes*
- *Original Birth Certificate – due prior to the PYFL Certification. This is required for all new players.*

*Photocopies are acceptable for returning players.*

*You may send for a certified copy of your child's birth certificate by writing to the Los Angeles County Registrar or by visiting their Lancaster office:*

**By Mail:**

*Birth, Death and Marriage Records Section  
P.O. Box 53120  
Los Angeles, CA 90053-0120  
(562) 462-2137*

**In Person Request:**

*Birth, Death and Marriage Records Section  
1028 West Avenue J2  
Lancaster, CA  
(661) 945-6446  
8:30 to 4:30 Monday - Friday*

*Call the office in Los Angeles to verify the cost BEFORE sending your request for a birth certificate. Mailed requests could take approximately thirty (30) days to receive. Please start your request NOW.*

*You can get more information by going to the following: [http://www.lavote.net/RECORDER/BDM\\_Records.com](http://www.lavote.net/RECORDER/BDM_Records.com)*

## PYFL Certification

***THIS IS A MANDATORY WEIGH IN. IF A PLAYER DOES NOT WEIGH IN, HE DOES NOT PLAY.***

*The PYFL conducts mandatory weigh-ins for all teams in each chapter. In order to certify, they require that each player submit a registration form, physical form, utility bill and original birth certificate. Your team manager will collect each of these items and prepare a team book prior to certification. The team book stays with the manager throughout the duration of the season. Original birth certificates will be returned to you. Your team manager will let you know during the first week of practice if any additional paperwork is needed prior to certification.*

## What to Expect on Certification Day:

*Your team will meet in a central location and will be escorted by the coach and team manager to certification. Parents are not allowed in the certification area. It will be important to arrive promptly as your team cannot certify until all players are present. Only under certain circumstances will early certification be allowed and must be approved by the PYFL. If a player does not certify or make weight, they are immediately dropped from the team. Please let your team manager know as soon as possible if your player cannot make it to certification.*

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***Any parent found falsifying residence information shall be banned from playing for the SCVAA Warriors program and is subject to the same action from the PYFL.***

## Equipment

***Your player will be issued nearly everything they need to play football. Equipment will be disbursed at a date and time to be determined. Your team manager or coach will advise you of your team's designated time. A parent or guardian must sign for the equipment and is responsible for the safe keeping of all issued equipment. The league loans each player a certified helmet, shoulder pads, and game pants. At the completion of the season these items are to be returned in clean, good condition. Players may not throw or sit on the helmets and shoulder pads. The pants should not be modified in anyway. Additionally, the league gives each player practice pants, a belt, a game jersey and a practice jersey. These items are yours to keep at the end of the season.***

***Mandatory equipment not provided by the SCVAA include a colored (not clear) mouth guard/mouth piece, cleats and a protective cup/jock strap. Each player should bring their own marked water bottle to each practice as we do not provide water for practice.***

***Your head coach or team manager will let you know exactly what needs to be worn to practice and on game days.***

## Conditioning

***Every athlete is required to have a minimum of twenty (20) hours of conditioning before they are permitted to participate in body-to-body contact. All conditioning must be done at an official practice under the supervision of a coach.***

***Conditioning activities from other sports are not acceptable and do not count towards the 20 hours. The one week SCVAA conditioning clinic does not apply towards the 20 hours. It is critical that your child attends every practice during the first two weeks, so they do not fall behind.***

## Practices

***Mandatory practice begins January 7<sup>th</sup> 2021. The first two days we will practice as a chapter. These practices count toward the mandatory conditioning hours. If a player misses any of these days they will fall behind on conditioning hours. Should your player fall behind in hours, the time can only be made up at an official Warrior Football practice. The player behind on hours will condition, with a coach, when the team moves on to contact drills. Once the hours are caught up, the player will return to team practice.***

***Practices can be conducted Monday through Saturday, during the month of August. You will be contacted by your coach or team manager after the draft and notified of your practice time and location.***

***The PYFL limits teams to 8 hours of practice per week. Most teams will practice Tuesday through Thursday, with a walk-through on Friday.***

***Any player that regularly misses practices will be contacted by the coach or team manager to discuss the situation. Warrior Football has a duty to keep all players safe and there are guidelines to help guarantee that. Being at practice regularly helps ensure a player's understanding of the game, the plays, and keeps them in condition.***

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## Drop Off and Pick Up

*Typically, coaches require that players arrive 15 minutes prior to practice start time. As they say in youth football, "If you're on time, you're late." Players are expected to be fully dressed and ready to go when practice begins. This helps ensure practice ends in a timely manner; however there may be occasions when practice is extended. You are welcome and encouraged to stay and observe all practices. If you choose to drop off, please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the end time of practice. Coaches are responsible for unattended children and cannot leave until those children have been picked up. Please be considerate of our volunteers. We do not want our coaches to become babysitters. Your team manager and head coach will keep you well informed of their expectations.*

## Game Day

*All home games will be played on Saturdays, most likely at either Canyon High School, Valencia High School, Hart High School, or possibly at locations yet to be determined.*

- *Football games are played on Saturday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.*
- *Our first regular season game will be on Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021*
- *Please note that schedules may not be available until the Wednesday prior to the first game. Your team manager will notify you as soon as they are available.*
- *We will have an five (5) or seven (7) game season depending upon playoffs and superbowl*
- *Coaches will notify players of the appropriate time to arrive at game sites.*
- *All players will receive a minimum of 12 plays per game per the PYFL by-laws.*

## Weather

*Games and practices typically proceed regardless of the weather. If there is poor air quality or lightning there will be no games or practices. Questions regarding scheduled practices should always be addressed with the Team Manager.*

## Refund Policy

*Warrior Football has a strict no refund policy. Refund requests will be considered only under extreme conditions. The Football Board of Directors reserves the right to determine when or if a refund will be issued.*

## Returned Checks

*Checks are accepted with proper identification. All checks should be made payable to SCVAA and include your team and division name. Returned checks will not be processed through the bank a second time; cash payment must be made on all returned checks. There will be a \$30.00 service fee on ANY RETURNED CHECK. You may be responsible for paying up to three times the amount of the returned check.*

**FAILURE TO MAKE SAID PAYMENT CAN RESULT IN YOUR CHILD BECOMING INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE AND/OR THE CHAPTER HOLDING YOUR TROPHY, TEAM PICTURES, ETC.**

*Thank you for joining the Warrior Football family. Good luck and have a great season!*