



**Youth Sports Frequently Asked Questions
Fall 2023**

Q. When will game schedules be released and where do we find them?

A. Game schedules will be posted online at www.bocorecreation.info

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
By August 18 th		Schedule coordinates with Roanoke County Tackle Football.	Created by Roanoke County. Coaches notified once it's available.

Q. When will I hear from my coach?

A.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
No later than July 31 st			No later than July 26 th

Q. When will practices start?

A. There will be two (2) practices per week prior to the start of games.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
Week of August 7 th			Week of July 31 st

***Day of the week is subject to change**

Q. What are no play dates?

A. No play dates are the dates that individual schools have designated for an event or program they are holding. Parks & Recreation practices and/or games will not be held on no play dates. The no play dates for your practice location will be communicated by your Booster Club. Events canceled due to no play dates are not guaranteed to be rescheduled.

Q. When will the uniforms arrive? How will we get them?

A. The Parks and Recreation department will receive the uniforms, organize them, and give them to each individual Booster Club to help us distribute. Booster Clubs will reach out to coaches with information on how to pick up your team's uniforms. Uniforms are ordered based on what size parents indicated on registration. **We will not know specific team colors until uniforms arrive.**

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
Uniforms are expected to arrive around the week of August 21 st .			

Q. How do I decide what size uniform to order?

A. We are planning to order the same uniforms for the fall 2023 season as we used in fall 2022. The Parks and Recreation Department will have samples of soccer and cheerleading uniforms available to try on in our office. Our office is located at 16 E. Main St. in Fincastle. Families may stop by to try on uniforms beginning April 24th through July 7th, Monday – Friday between 9:00 am – 4:30 pm. Uniform sizes can be changed at any time by calling the Parks and Recreation office at 540-928-2130 until **July 7th**.

Q. What if my child’s uniform doesn’t fit?

A. Uniforms are ordered based on what size is indicated on registration. Extra uniforms are not ordered. If your child’s uniform does not fit, we are happy to put you in contact with our uniform vendor and you may purchase a new uniform directly through the vendor. The Parks & Recreation Department will not be responsible for the cost of additional or replacement uniforms.

Q. Who makes a call on weather?

A.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
Parks and Recreation Department will update social media and weather hotline (540-992-0012): - Practice days: by 4:00 PM -Game days: by 4:00 PM (weekdays) and by 7:00 AM (Saturdays)		Roanoke Country Tri-County Tackle Football League: -Roanoke County Hosted Games 540-387-6455 Ext. 6 -Botetourt County Hosted Games 540-992-0012 -Franklin County Hosted Games 540-483-9293 Ext. 1 -Salem City Hosted Games 540-966-6900 -Roanoke City Hosted Games 540-853-1196	

Q. Who schedules team pictures?

A. Team pictures are the responsibility of each team to schedule on their own, however, some Booster Clubs coordinate on behalf of their teams. Check with your individual Booster Club before scheduling to make sure they haven't already done so, or if you need suggestions on photographers to use.

***Booster Club contact information is found on page 4**

Q. Who creates the practice schedule? Who do I call if I need to schedule a make-up practice?

A. The Parks and Recreation Department will be coordinating all practice schedules. If you need to schedule a make-up practice, please call the Parks and Recreation office at 540-928-2130.

Q. When and where will the games be played?

A.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
Games will be played on Saturdays with limited weeknight games.			
-Greenfield Recreation Park Field #5	-Breckenridge Elementary -Buchanan Elementary -Cloverdale Elementary -Eagle Rock Elementary -Greenfield Elementary -Greenfield Recreation Park -Troutville Elementary	We participate in Roanoke Country Tri-County Tackle Football League: -Botetourt County -Roanoke County -Franklin County -Roanoke City -Salem City	

***Locations and days are subject to change**

Q. What equipment does my child need?

A.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
Provided- jersey, flags, and mouthguard Required- game shorts (no pockets) Recommended- cleats	Provided- jersey and socks Required- shin guards, game shorts (no pockets) Recommended- cleats	Provided- top, skirt and pom poms Required- tennis shoes	Provided- shoulder pads, helmet, mouthguard, jersey, game, and practice pants Required- cleats

Q. Who should I contact if I have questions about equipment?

A.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
Parks and Recreation Department: (540) 928-2130	-Equipment will be provided by each Booster Club before practice begins	-Parks and Recreation Department: (540) 928-2130	

Q. If games are cancelled will they be made up?

A.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
If teams have more than two games canceled the Parks and Recreation Department will try to make up games to get that team to their minimum number of games played.		Roanoke Country Tri-County Tackle Football League will reschedule any canceled games.	
-10 games scheduled, guaranteed 8	4-6 Age Division: -8 games scheduled, guaranteed 6 8+ Age Division: -10 games scheduled, guaranteed 8		

Q. Who creates team rosters?

A.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
Consideration is given to special requests, but requests are not guaranteed.			
-Age 8 and under: Booster Clubs -Age 9 and up: Botetourt County Parks and Recreation staff in partnership with Booster Clubs. When needed, a skills evaluation is done to create teams for ages above 8.		-Botetourt County Parks and Recreation staff	

Q. Do athletes receive trophies?

A. The Parks and Recreation Department does not provide trophies. Some Booster Clubs elect to purchase trophies for teams, but not all do. If you have questions about trophies, please check with your Booster Club.

Q. Will there be a post season?

A.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
-Yes, optional tournament for ages 9+ only -Starts early November		-Yes, there is an optional playoff/ Tri-County Superbowl for all age groups -Starts early to mid-November	

Q. What’s included with registration fees?

A. Each child will receive a uniform (outlined below) and their team will receive the equipment needed for the season. The coordination and facilitation of youth sports leagues require detailed planning and a team of personnel. Some of the unseen costs that go into facilitating athletics include field maintenance materials and staff, game officials, staff coordination time, and registration software fees.

Flag Football	Soccer	Cheerleading	Tackle Football
Early Registration: \$65 Late Registration: \$85			Early Registration: \$100 Late Registration: \$150
-NFL Flag Football Jersey -Mouth Guard -Flags	-Jersey -Socks	-Uniform Top -Skirt -Pom Poms	-Jersey -Game Pants -Practice Pants -Mouth Guard *practice/game pants, helmet, and shoulder pads are returned at the end of the season

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