

## 2017 Registration Waivers - Pickerington Youth Athletic Association

**\*By checking the boxes I agree to each of the following.**

### **REFUND POLICY**

The PYAA may recognize a request to cancel a player's sport registration subject to the following:

- Any refund will be assessed \$20 processing fee.
- No refunds will be given for donations or late fees.
- Refunds for optional apparel purchases will be given at the discretion of the sport.
- Full refund (no processing fee) if a participant is accepted to school team which precludes him/her from participating in the PYAA program.
- Full refunds will be given (minus processing fee) if notification of refund is given to the PYAA office prior to the sport's first scheduled practice.
- 50% of refund (minus processing fee) if notification of refund is given to the PYAA office prior to the start of competitive play.
- No refunds are given after the start of competitive play.
- All refunds are subject to approval by the Sport Board President or representative.
- Some sports will carry stricter guidelines due to the nature of their program and will be specified here.
  - Cheer - no refunds after uniform fitting.
  - Golf - no refunds after first scheduled lesson. Refunds will be reduced by any expenditure on behalf of the participant.
  - Travel Baseball - all payments are non-refundable.
  - Tackle Football - The first day of conditioning is considered the first scheduled day of practice - July 31, 2017.

### **PYAA SPORTS PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

#### **Adult and Minor Participant Waiver/Release/Assumption of Risk/Agreement**

In consideration of participating in the athletics/sport programs, and/or participating in or attending related events or activities with the PYAA during the season:

- Acknowledges and fully understands that each participant will be engaging in activities that involve risk of serious injury, including permanent disability and death, and that severe social and economic loss may result not only from his or her own actions, inactions, or negligence, but from the actions, inactions or negligence of others as well as the rules of play, the conditions of the premises or from any equipment used. Further, there may be other risks not known to the adult and/or minor participant including risk that may not be reasonably foreseeable.
- Assumes all of the forgoing risks and accepts personal responsibility for any injury, disability or death, and any damages, whether social or economic.
- Represents that I, or my child, am qualified, in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in activity(ies) with the PYAA and hereby authorize any representative of the PYAA or medical provider, to seek medical attention on my behalf, or on behalf of my child, to ensure my well being, or the well being of my child, without any legal liability whatsoever, inclusive of any responsibility for any negligent rescue or delayed operation.
- Releases, waives, discharges and covenants not to sue PYAA, its affiliated clubs, administrators, members, directors, agents, coaches and other representatives of PYAA, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and/or lessees/lessors of the premises used to conduct the event or activity in which I, or the minor participant for whom I am responsible, participate (all of which are hereinafter referred to as "releases"), from any and all liability to each of the undersigned, his or her heirs and the next of kin, damages to property, caused or alleged to have been caused, in whole or in part, by the releases or otherwise.

- I hereby authorize PYAA to utilize in its promotional materials any photographs taken of me, or my child, while participating in any activity of the PYAA.
- I hereby authorize the PYAA to use the parental e-mail address to communicate other opportunities offered by the organization.

**MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION FORM**

Purpose: To enable parents or guardians to authorize the provision of emergency treatment for their children who are injured or become ill while under the authority of PYAA (sport) in the event the parents or guardian cannot be reached.

This acknowledges that we, the undersigned, parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the participant recognize the potential hazardous nature of the sports played and that an injury may be sustained. These injuries may include, but are not limited to, personal injury or death. In the event of an injury to my child and we (I or my spouse or guardian) cannot be contacted, permission is given to a qualified and licensed physician and/or hospital to render such treatment as would be normal and agree to pay the usual charges for such treatment.

We (I) release the PYAA, its employees, agents, volunteers and its assigns from any personal injuries caused by or having any relation to this activity. We (I) understand that this release applies to any present or future injuries or illnesses and that it binds me and/or my child's heirs, executors and administrators.

- I understand that my child must reside within the boundaries of the Pickerington Local School District to participate in PYAA, and furthermore that my child will be subject to withdrawal with no refund if it is determined that he/she is not a resident as required. Residency requirement does not apply to the Achievers Leagues (special needs leagues, when offered within a sport.)**

**ADULT CODE OF CONDUCT**

The PYAA is committed to the physical and emotional well-being and safety of all of the children in its program, as well as to its managers, coaches, umpires, volunteers, and parents and fans attending PYAA events including games, practices and any other league sponsored and/or affiliated events.

The PYAA adheres to essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and the core principles of: respect, trustworthiness, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character." Those who conduct themselves in a manner that reflects these elements will bring credit to the respective sport, themselves, their team, Pickerington, and PYAA.

The PYAA has adopted its Adult Code of Conduct, inclusive of a Zero Tolerance Policy, which must be adhered to at ALL times, both in substance and intent, by all parents (including guardians, spectators, coaches, and officials) without exception as follows:

I agree that:

1. I will remember that children participate in sports to have fun and develop friendships and that the game is for youth, not adults;
2. I will inform the manager or coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others in a timely manner;
3. I will endeavor to learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league of the sport my child is participating in so that I can have a better and more informed perspective concerning my child's participation.
4. I (and my spouse, any relative, and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, managers, coaches, umpires, officials, any PYAA board

- member, parents and spectators at every game, practice, or other league sponsored and/or affiliated events. This also includes any communication that is had before and after games, to include but not limited to personal conversation, telephone calls, and emails;
5. I (and my spouse, any relative, and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any players, managers, coaches, umpires, officials, parents and spectators including, but not limited to, physically and/or verbally harassing, taunting, booing and otherwise in any way demeaning or insulting; refusing to shake hands; using profane or crude language and/or gestures; any other inappropriate behavior. This also includes any communication that is had before and after games, to include but not limited to personal conversation, telephone calls, and emails;
  6. I (and my spouse, any relative, and my guests) will not exhibit and/or display any behaviors, language and/or other practices that would, or even potentially could, endanger the physical and/or emotional health, well-being and/or safety of any players, managers, coaches, umpires, officials, parents and spectators. I understand that profanity, smoking (or any use of tobacco), vaping, alcohol consumption, and drug use is prohibited at the PYAA complex or at any PYAA event.
  7. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts in a safe and respectful manner without resorting to hostility or violence. Attempts to manipulate rules in an effort to take unfair advantage of an opponent, or to teach deliberate unsportsmanlike conduct, is considered unacceptable conduct.
  8. I will demand that my child treat other players, managers, coaches, umpires, officials, parents and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex, religion, age, or ability;
  9. I will teach my child that trying and doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance;
  10. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time, just for participating;
  11. I (and my spouse, any relative, and my guests) will never ridicule, yell at, berate, antagonize and/or otherwise degrade my child or any other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition;
  12. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning;
  13. I will deemphasize games and competition in the lower age groups, and place them in the proper perspective in all other groups;
  14. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the players ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child and/or his/her team to win;
  15. I (and my spouse, any relative, and my guests) will respect the umpires and other officials and their authority during games and practices and will never question, discuss, and/or confront umpires, officials, managers and/or coaches during games, and will take the time to speak or to email in a respectful and civil manner and tone to officials, managers and/or coaches, or PYAA board member after the event. The head coach is the only person to address an official and must do so in a respectful manner.
  16. I (and my spouse, any relative, and my guests) will not incite, participate in and/or otherwise condone any unsportsmanlike conduct at any time;
  17. I will act as an adult and strive to set a positive role model and example for my child and other players;
  18. I (and my spouse, any relative, or any guests) will not do or say anything that will cause my child to feel embarrassed, shamed, belittled or disrespected.

I also understand and acknowledge that the PYAA has adopted a Zero Tolerance Policy and agree that if I (or my spouse, any relative, or my guests) fail to abide by any of the aforementioned rules and guidelines, that said person will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Verbal warning by umpire, official, manager, coach, board member, and/or commissioner of

PYAA;

- Written warning;
- Immediate ejection from games, practices and any other league sponsored and/or affiliated events;
- Parental suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by the PYAA;
- Game forfeit through umpire, official and/or manager;
- Parental season suspension;
- Any other action consistent with the By-Laws and rules and regulations of the PYAA. This Adult Code of Conduct is strictly enforceable at the sole discretion of the PYAA or its duly authorized representatives.



**RETURNED CHECK POLICY**

I understand that any check returned to PYAA from the bank for non payment will be subject to a \$25 fee IN ADDITION to the bank fees applied as a result. In addition, it will result in the registration remaining in unpaid status and will not be considered for active roster until full payment and fees are paid.