



Carolina Crusaders Participant Checklist

Player Name: _____ **DOB:** _____

Contact Number: _____ **Parents Names:** _____

Registering for (Please Check One): Cheerleading _____ Football _____

Please read each attached document thoroughly before signing this document. By signing this document you are agreeing to the terms stated therein:

- Document Check List/Media Notice/Registration Fee Requirements (Page 1-2)
- Registration/Medical Release Forms (Page 3-5) ***Must be completed in it's entirety**
- Player Eligibility Requirements (Page 6-7)
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| Parent Printed Name | Date | Player Printed Name | Date |
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| Parent Signature | Player Signature |
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| Head Coach Signature | Date | Athletic Director Signature | Date |
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Document Checklist:

- Current Sports Physical - signed by a doctor which is valid for 1 year from the physical date and must not expire during the season. To download this form online, please visit our website at www.carolinacrusaders.org and click the forms tab located at the top of the page.
- Signed and Completed all registration forms.
- Copy of athletes birth certificate

Media Notice: Photos and videos of players, parents and fans may be taken and used on Carolina Crusaders Social Media, marketing brochures and other promotional material including our website.

Except for group shots, individuals wanting to opt out of the posting of such media must provide a letter to the Carolina Crusaders Board stating the name of the person(s) to be excluded from such postings.



Carolina Crusaders Fee Requirements

Season Fee: Fees for cheerleaders and football players will be a total of \$425.00 (registration fee + participation fee) and must be paid before participant receives his/her equipment and uniforms.

Registration Fee: \$75.00 + Submittal of Participant Registration Forms & All other required forms (This fee must be paid before practice participation)

Early Bird Payment: \$300.00 Participation Fee if paid in full by July 1st.

Normal Payment: \$350.00 Participation fee if paid after July 1st.

ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE EXCEPT FOR PARTICIPATION FEE REIMBURSEMENT PER THE TOUCHDOWN DRIVE FUNDRAISING POLICY.

BANK CHARGES WILL APPLY FOR ANY RETURNED CHECKS.

WARNING: Falsification of data on these forms may result in player and/or team penalties such as forfeitures of contest. It could result in the player being declared ineligible for a period of up to one year.



***Carolina Crusaders Participation Registration**

Name of Participant: _____ DOB: _____ Age: _____
 Parent Name(s): _____
 Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Mom Cell: _____ Dad Cell: _____ Player Cell: _____
 Work: _____ Work: _____ Alternate Phone: _____
 Parent email: _____
 Participant email: _____

★ **Please put a star mark by the phone number above to be put on the Calling Post as an emergency number to get out last minute information to our participant families.**

Participant Information: Weight: _____ Height: _____ Shirt size: _____ Waist size: _____
 Returning Participant? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, How many years with Crusaders? _____
 If not returning, has participant cheered or played football before? Yes _____ No _____
 Please list any sports/events which may affect participation during the upcoming season:
 Event: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____
 Event: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Insurance: Part of your registration will pay for insurance but this is above and beyond your individual policy in the event of an emergency, the following information must be provided:

Insurance Company: _____
 Name of Insured: _____ Policy Number: _____
 Member Number: _____ Insurance Phone: _____

School/Education Information:

School Type: Homeschool _____ Private School _____ Public School _____
 Name of School you attend: _____ Years attending: _____
 Education Grade _____ (For 2018 season)
 Will school hours affect ability to practice and/or play in games? _____ (yes of no)
 If yes, please explain: _____



***Carolina Crusaders Participation Registration**

Safety Concerns:

Our mission is to build Godly men and women through our program. **The Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports Inc. (CCYS)** is a Christian organization and we want to provide a positive, safe, and nurturing environment for our participants. In doing so, we need to be aware of any and all issues which could post a negative influence on other participants. Please answer the following questions. Feel free to go into as much detail as you feel necessary. Your answers will be reviewed by the board members and kept confidential.

Has your child been expelled from school within the past 2 years? _____ (Yes or No)

If yes, please explain the circumstances: _____

Has your child been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony or has your child entered into a plea bargain for a crime, entered into a 'no contest' plea, or currently on bond or under investigation for a crime? _____ (Yes or No)

If yes, please explain the circumstances: _____



***Carolina Crusaders Participation Registration**

General Medical Release:

List any medical conditions that may affect your child's ability to participate: _____

List any medications your child is taking: _____

Is your child physically able to participate in football and/or cheerleading? _____ (Yes or No)

Note: The Carolina Crusaders Organization will not provide any medication or medical treatments to your child except for bandaging, icing of muscles or other first aid measures. The use of topical ointments, administering of medications and other non-first aid treatments is the responsibility of the parent(s) and/or athletes.

By signing the first page of this registration packet, I hereby give permission for my child to actively participate with the Carolina Crusaders for the indicated activity per the completed registration forms.

Consent and permission is hereby given to the Carolina Crusader Youth Sports, Inc. (CCYS) board members, coaches and athletic trainers, if I am not present during any CCYS sponsored event, to make the necessary decisions for my child's medical care in the event of injury including treatment by licensed medical professionals (if present) and admittance to the emergence room (via 911).



Carolina Crusaders Football Eligibility

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the **Pioneer Football League** and on the Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports, Inc. (CCYS) football team, in any related events and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates and agrees that:

1. The risk of injury for the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for minor, major and life threatening injuries, while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may aid in reducing the risk, the potential risk of serious and life threatening injury does exist; and,
2. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISK, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, or others, and I assume full responsibility for participation; and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representation and next of kin, **HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS, the Pioneer Football League, Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports, Inc. (CCYS), football team, any coach, team member or team volunteer as well as any** officers, officials, agents and/or employees, the participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lesser of premises used to conduct any event or practice, **WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, LIFE THREAT, or the loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEE OR OTHERWISE.**

By signing the first page of this registration packet, I acknowledge I have read and understand this release of liability and assumption of risk agreement. I fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement.

For participants of minority age (under age 18 at the time of registration)

By signing the first page of this registration packet, I certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent to his/her release as provided above for all the releases, and for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the above releases from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement of participation in these programs as provided above, **EVEN IF ARISING FROM NEGLIGENCE.**



Carolina Crusaders Participant Eligibility

The rules of eligibility of the Pioneer Football League and Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports, Inc. apply to all players that desire to play for a PFL team. You are being asked to read these rules and to sign the first page of this registration packet to acknowledge you have read and understand the eligibility requirements. If you do not meet all eligibility requirements, then you cannot play on the Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports Inc. (CCYS) football team.

1. Players that meet all PFL eligibility requirements are eligible to play in PFL games. Girls are not eligible to play football.
2. Players must not turn 19 years of age prior to August 31st of the football season. Each participating PFL team can play boys at 12 years of age if they weigh 100 pounds or more and are of age by August 31st of the football season. Cheerleaders may cheer throughout air freshman year of college so long as they are in school and not older than 19 years of age as of August 31st of the football season.
3. Players must be homeschooled or attending a homeschool co-op (such as schools that reside in churches or meet in other building structures), private or public school.
4. Boys who have graduated or received a GED, from a public, private, Christian, Co-op, or Homeschool, are ineligible. Any boy who participates in a graduation ceremony but does not receive a diploma, must notify the PFL office in writing.
5. Boys who turn (16) prior to **August 31st** will not be allowed to play JV Football.
6. Players who desire to participate in the PFL, must be living at home under the authority of their parents or legal guardian. If living with a legal guardian, the proof of guardianship must be submitted along with the player's eligibility paperwork.
7. Adding players to a team roster after the initial start of the PFL season will be allowed until the end of the first full week in September. Before a player is allowed to play in any PFL games, all required paperwork must be submitted and approved by the PFL office. Player approval will be made by the PFL office within 48 business hours.
8. Joint-enrolled students will be allowed to participate in the PFL while taking high school courses at home or a homeschool co-op or other approved school. The player must show proof of his "joint-enrolled" status by submitting to the PFL office a letter from the college that he is attending as a joint-enrolled student.
9. Participant may not be employed full time (40 hours/week).
10. Participant must maintain compliance with their school attendance policy or comply with South Carolina regulations for homeschool.



****Carolina Crusaders Parent Involvement Requirements**

The **Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports, Inc.** (CCYS) is a voluntary, ministry minded organization with no salaried/paid staff, including the Carolina Crusaders Board and it's Coaches. The dedication and support of the parents, players and fans is paramount to the success of the is organization. **It is mandatory that all parents volunteer** to work the front gate, concessions and/or serve in another GAME DAY capacity.

Each player's family **must** assist in at least one home game and one away game and those volunteers will be scheduled by the Carolina Crusaders Vice President of Operations. Any conflicts with scheduled volunteer days shall be coordinated with ehe VP of Operations and you will be assigned to volunteer for a different game.

By signing the first page of this registration packet, I am stating that I have read the Parental Involvement Requirements stated and hereby **agree** to volunteer to serve in one of the following capacities for home and away games.

Please check each area you feel your talents could be used best.

Home Games: _____ Away Games: _____

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| Game Day Video | _____ | Game Day Video | _____ |
| Water on Sidelines | _____ | Water on Sidelines | _____ |
| Statistician | _____ | Statistician | _____ |
| Ball Boy | _____ | | |
| Chain Gang | _____ | | |
| Concessions | _____ | | |
| Admissions | _____ | | |
| Game Announcer | _____ | | |

Volunteer selection is subject to availability and volunteer duties may require help in other areas.

Name of Player(s): _____

Team: Varsity _____ JV _____ Cheer _____ Program Expectations



Carolina Crusaders Program Expectations

Standard Ages for Students and their Eligibility

| Age on or Before 8/31 | Education Grade(2018) | JV or Varsity | Varsity Eligibility |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| 12 | 6th | JV | N/A |
| 13 | 7th | JV | N/A |
| 14 | 8th | JV | N/A |
| 15 | 9th | JV | ***See Note Below |
| 16 | 10th | Varsity | 1st Year |
| 17 | 11th | Varsity | 2nd Year |
| 18 | 12th | Varsity | 3rd Year |

**** Fifteen (15) year olds can be considered on a case-by-case basis to move up to varsity ONLY if parents and player make such a request, coaches agree to the request, and the Carolina Crusaders Board and/or Athletic Director agree to such request.*

Cheerleaders may cheer through their freshman year of college so long as participant is not 20 years of age or older as of August 31st.

Note: If a student has been held back at any grade level, they will be held to the leagues age restrictions for eligibility. Those players whom have graduated form High School or have ages out will not be eligible to participate. A student who turns 19 prior to August 31st will not be eligible to play in the Pioneer Football League.

Required Documentation

1. Amateur Athletic Waiver Release and Liability Form (Included in this packet)
2. Birth Certificate
3. Sports Physical (before participating in activity)
4. Crusaders Code of Conduct (Included in this packet)



Carolina Crusaders Player's Code of Conduct

****By signing the first page of this registration packet I am stating that I fully support and understand that Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports Inc. (CCYS) is a faith based ministry organization. All Board Members and Coaches desire to minister to me through football and/or cheerleading.**

1. I understand and agree that my education is my first and foremost responsibility and that I must meet the expectations of my parents and my school, and I must do my school work.
2. I will play any position assigned to me and will do my best at all times, using good sportsmanship with no intent to ever harm an opposing player or one of my teammates.
3. I will participate cleanly at all times, in a true sportsmanship-like manner with never any intent to harm a squad member and be an encouragement to my teammates and other players.
4. I will participate in a moment of prayer before practices and games with my coaches and teammates.
5. I will treat my coaches, teammates, parents, officials and other individuals I may come in contact with, with respect at all times, on or off the field.
6. I will not use drugs, alcohol or tobacco, on or off the playing field and understand that any violation of this agreement can and will result in suspension from the league and Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports, Inc.
7. I understand that football and cheerleading is a team sport and that my attendance is required at all practices, games, and social gatherings. I will make the commitment to my coaches and teammates to be in attendance and to notify my coach if, for any reason, I am unable to attend any scheduled event.
8. I will not, in any way, damage or deface any property, buildings or equipment.
9. I will abide by the decisions of the game officials and will not display any unsportsmanlike behavior or gestures.
10. I will act as a gentleman/woman at all times and treat others like I would like to be treated.
11. I will not trash talk, use profanity (aka cuss words) or slang words (words that have been altered but essentially mean the same as the original profanity or cuss words).
12. I will inform my coach of any injuries I may sustain, on or off the football field.
13. I will not spread rumors or make up stories about others. If I am told something negative about someone or about another team, then I will tell my coaches about and find out from them if it is true.



Carolina Crusaders Parent's Code of Conduct

****By signing the first page of this registration packet I am stating that I fully support and understand that Carolina Crusaders Youth Sports Inc. (CCYS) is a faith based ministry organization. All Board Members and Coaches desire to minister to me through football and/or cheerleading.**

1. I hereby pledge to provide support, care and encouragement for my child participating on the Carolina Crusader football/cheerleading team by following the Parent's Code of Conduct.
2. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game, practice or other sporting event.
3. I will place the emotional, physical and spiritual well-being of my child ahead of my personal desire to win,.
4. I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
5. I will require that my child's coaches be trained in the responsibilities of being a high/middle school sports coach and that the coaches uphold the Coaches' Code of Conduct.
6. I will support the coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
7. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, alcohol, tobacco and proximity. I will refrain from their uses at all high/middle school sport events.
8. I will remember that game is for the students - not the adults.
9. I will do my very best to make high/middle school sports a joy for my child.
10. I will require my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, color or ability.
11. I will inform my child's coach should he/she sustain any potentially serious incursion, associated or not, with his participation.
12. I will volunteer to assist in whatever capacity I am able.
13. Parents of players should be aware of the NCAA eligibility requirements so if the player is recruited to play college football there will be no problem in providing the meeting of those eligibility requirements.
14. If a situation arises where I/we have a disagreement with a coach, board member or another person who is a part of the Carolina Crusaders program I will first go to that person directly. I/we will handle the situation according to Matthew 1:8.



Dangers of Concussion

Concussions at all levels of sports have received a great deal of attention and a state law has been passed to address this issue. Adolescent athletes are particularly vulnerable to the effects of concussion. Once considered little more than a minor “ding” to the head, it is now understood that a concussion has the potential to result in death or changes in brain function (either short-term or long-term). A concussion is a brain injury that results in a temporary disruption of normal brain function. A concussion occurs when the brain is violently rocked back and forth or twisted inside the skull as a result of a blow to the head or body. Continued participation in any sport following a concussion can lead to worsening concussion symptoms, as well as increased risk for further injury to the brain and even death.

Player and parental education in this area is crucial – that is the reason for this document. Refer to it regularly. This form must be signed by a parent or guardian of each student who wishes to participate in athletics. One copy needs to be returned to the Carolina Crusaders and one retained at home.

Common Signs and Symptoms of Concussion

- Headache, dizziness, poor balance, moves clumsily, reduced energy level/tiredness
- Nausea or vomiting
- Blurred vision, sensitivity to light and sounds
- Fogginess of memory, difficulty concentrating, slowed thought processes, confused about surroundings or game assignments
- Unexplained changes in behavior and personality
- Loss of consciousness (NOTE: This does not occur in all concussion episodes)



State of South Carolina Concussion Policy:

In accordance with South Carolina law and national playing rules published by the National Federation of State High School Associations, any athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be immediately removed from the practice or contest and shall not return to play until an appropriate health care professional has determined that no concussion has occurred.

NOTE: An appropriate health care professional may include licensed physical (MD/DO) or another licensed individual under the supervision of a licensed physician, such as a nurse practitioner, physician assistant or certified athletic trainer who has received training in concussion evaluation and management.

- a) No athlete is allowed to return to a game or a practice on the same day that a concussion (a) has been diagnosed, OR cannot be ruled out.
- b) Any athlete diagnosed with a concussion shall be cleared medically by an appropriate health care professional prior to resuming participation in any future practice or contest. The formulation of a gradual return to play protocol shall be a part of the medical clearance.
- c) It is mandatory that every coach in each GHSA sport participate in a free, online course on concussion management prepared by the NFHS and available at www.nfhslearn.com at least every two years – beginning with the 2013-2014 school year.
- d) Each organization will be responsible for monitoring the participation of its coaches in the concussion management course, and shall keep a record of those who participate.

By signing the first page of this registration packet, I am acknowledging that I have read this form and I understand the facts presented in it.