



Bismarck Parks and Recreation District 2024 Fall 3rd-6th Grade Flag Football Program

General Program Description

The purpose of the flag football program is to teach basic skills, fundamentals and sportsmanship. Participants will learn through practices and games. The flag football season begins August 19 and ends on September 28. A jamboree will take place September 28. Each team will practice one day per week and play two games per week. Practices will be the first two weeks. After the first two weeks, practice will be on Mondays and games on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All practices and games will be held at the Sam McQuade Sr. Softball Complex. Teams will be arranged by schools, and some schools may be combined due to low numbers.

Goals of Program

- ♦ To teach fundamentals of football
- ♦ Equal participation
- ♦ Development of skills
- ♦ Fun
- ♦ Safety of participant

Age Groups Served

- This program is offered to participants in grades 3rd through 6th.
- Teams are coed and are split up by the following age groups:
 - ♦ 3rd-4th grades
 - ♦ 5th-6th grades

Length of Program

- ♦ This is a six-week program beginning August 19 and concluding on September 28.
- **♦** No Flag Football on September 2.
- All participants meet three times per week with each age group on Mon., Tues. & Thurs.
- 3rd-4th grades from 5:30 to 6:30pm 5th-6th grades from 6:30 to 7:30pm

Location of Program

◆ Participants register to play at the Sam McQuade Sr. Softball Complex, 1100 North Washington Street.

Team Information

• Teams will be arranged by schools, and some schools may be combined due to low numbers.

Staffing

- This program is directed by Spencer Aune Recreation Specialist's with BPRD.
- ◆ There is a Site Supervisor(s) at the location.
- **♦** Coaches
 - ♦ IF YOU WANT TO COACH, PLEASE SUBMIT A COMPLETED JOB APPLICATION ASAP. WE NEED YOU!

Equipment

- Footballs, belts, flags and jerseys will be provided.
- Please have participants dress comfortably (shorts or sweats) and wear tennis shoes. <u>Jewelry should</u> not be worn and is not allowed during practices or games.
- Participants cannot wear cleats. Tennis shoes only.
- Participants must wear a mouthguard.

Photographs

- ◆ Photographs are taken of each team and of every participant; you will have the opportunity to purchase photos. Please review Picture Day Details information posted on the website (www.bisparks.org) in advance.
 - Order forms will be handed out with schedules and shirts; order forms are also available on the website (www.bisparks.org).
 - Picture day is Thursday, Aug. 29.

Cancellations

No decision will be made until at least 4pm. Please check BPRD's website (www.bisparks.org) for an orange ALERT bar on the homepage. You may also "Like" the BPRD Facebook page as weather notifications are posted there. There are no make-up dates; the program will meet on specific days outlined above, in activity guide, and online.