

# Fall 2025 Overview

July 16, 2025



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# 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

Tentative schedule – dates subject to change

Activity	Dates	Times/Fees
Equipment Distribution 14225 Youngblood Rd.	7/19	<a href="#">Sign up</a> – 10 am – 4 pm
League Certification Day <i>Location pending</i>	8/16	Sat, Times TBD
Jamboree <i>Location pending</i>	8/23	Sat, Times TBD
Game Schedule <i>Full schedule usually received in late August.</i>	8/30 – Late November	Every Sat, Times TBD

## **Spartans Practice Field**

T.M. Winget Park

July – behind school

August – by basketball courts

## **Spartans Game Field**

Southlake Christian Academy (Huntersville)

## **BSYFL Game Fields**

Anticipate game locations in cities outside of Charlotte – approximately 35-60 minutes away

# MEDICAL CLEARANCE FORMS

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- Returning Spartans, please ask your doctor to sign a current form so it's dated after January 2025. If you provided a form during Spring Camp, it will be honored.
- New Spartans, this is required to participate.
- If your physical was held within the last 12 months, most doctors will sign the form without a new appointment. Make an appointment now, if one is required.
- CVS Minute Clinic, Target, and other on-site facilities offer sports physicals if that works better for your family. Please check now.
- If your student-athlete is injured, a new form may be requested.

# CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

**MUST ATTEND ON-SITE CERTIFICATION ON AUG 16, 2025; TEAM MANAGERS WILL COLLECT DOCUMENTS IN ADVANCE AND RETURN AFTER CERTIFICATION**

## BIG SOUTH YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE (BSYFL)

1. REQUIRED ---- ORIGINAL BIRTH CERTIFICATE WITH STATE SEAL
2. REQUIRED ---- COPY OF REPORT CARD (SHOWING STUDENT NAME & HOME ADDRESS)
3. REQUIRED ---- COPY OF RECENT UTILITY BILL (cross out personal info)

FYI: A State ID cannot be used in place of the original birth certificate to certify.

# FOOTBALL REGISTRATION FEES

**FOOTBALL - \$220/each; Football Sibling - \$165/each; 6U - \$110/each**

## SPARTANS PROVIDE

### **MUST RETURN**

- Helmets
- Shoulder pads
- Practice jerseys
- Game pants

### **YOU KEEP**

- Game jerseys

## FAMILIES PROVIDE

- 7 piece padded football pants (black preferred)
- Socks (white, blue, or gray)
- Spartans Gameday t-shirt - \$20
  - New orders will be taken in late July.
- Football cleats (any, prefer team colors)
- Mouthpieces (purchase several backups)
- Pink out socks – Approx. \$5 – orders will be taken
- Pink out t-shirts – Optional \$20 – orders will be taken

*Items may be purchased at Academy, Dick's Sporting Goods, Play it Again Sports, Amazon, etc.*

# EQUIPMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

## **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- Families are responsible for maintaining uniforms and equipment throughout the season.
- Lost/damaged uniforms/equipment will incur replacement fees.
- Do not modify equipment.
- Detachable backplates/visors are allowed but connect with Coach Brown to confirm.
- Please do not write names/initials in marker on the actual equipment/uniforms.
- Original equipment must be returned, post- season (see slide 4).



# PRACTICE EXPECTATIONS

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

- Every Tuesday & Thursday
- Football: 6 pm – 8 pm  
(6U – 7:30-7:45 pm)

\* Occasionally other days may be requested but communicated in advance.

## **TEAM PLACEMENT**

Based upon age as of 7/31

## **ATTENDANCE**

- Expected to attend ALL practices & games
- Contact your team's coach or team manager to give advance notice of late arrivals or absences.
- Late arrivals and absences will impact game time on Saturdays.

*All practice dates/times are weather-permitting and must remain in compliance with local/state guidelines.*



# GAMEDAY EXPECTATIONS

**Playing time is earned - not guaranteed - and based on skill, attendance, and development displayed during practice.**

- Plan to be available all Saturdays from 8/16 through late November.
- Times: Generally, between 8 am – 5 pm.
- Gate entry: Regular season \$7/adults; \$3/students
- Arrival is always 1-2 hours prior to posted game time. Your coach will tell you.
- Late arrivals will be subject to sitting out.
- Next Level Spartans cannot guarantee the schedule dates, times, or locations.
- League/opponent changes, weather, and/or local/state may result in revisions to posted information.

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# SPORTSMANSHIP

- Expectation for student-athletes, families, and coaches to conduct themselves with good sportsmanship during practices and games.
- Only coaches and designated volunteers are permitted on the practice field and/or game sidelines. Spectators must remain in the stands.
- We reserve a 48 hour-cool down period before you contact coaches after games to provide feedback or concerns.
- Please connect with your team's head coach before reaching out to Coach Brown about football specific questions, playing time, etc.
- Any student-athlete, parent, or coach who engages in taunting, fighting, or any other inappropriate behavior is subject to dismissal from the team.

# TRANSPORTATION

- Parents are responsible for all transportation to and from practices and games.
- Parents are responsible for all travel expenses associated with any post-season playoff games and/or championship games. Dates, locations, and times to be announced as soon as posted by the league.
- NL Spartans will not be responsible or liable for any issues arising out of transportation or other personal arrangements that parents/guardians make with coaches and/or other parents.

# ILLNESSES

- If you, your student-athlete, or other close family member or friend has a fever, cough, or related symptom of the virus, DO NOT attend practice or games. Please stay home and send a text that you will be out.
- Please remind your student-athlete to limit sharing and to take safety precautions.

# FUNDRAISING & VOLUNTEERS

The Next Level Spartans is a 501c3 non-profit organization. Donations are tax-exempt to the extent allowed by law.

## **COMPANY MATCHING DONATIONS**

If your employer has a company match program, please contact us for a copy of the tax-exempt letter or other requested information.

## **FOOTBALL REGISTRATION SPONSORS**

Let us know if you or other family would like to sponsor the registration fees for a student-athlete.

## **GAME DAY DONATIONS**

Snacks/Gatorade donations will be coordinated for each age group.

## **FIRST AID KIT DONATIONS**

Requesting donations of first aid kits – 2 -3 per team.

## **CONCESSIONS & EVENTS**

Volunteers needed to manage concessions and special events.

# SPARTANS CONTACT INFO

Please save to your phone contacts.

SPARTANS GENERAL TEXTS	844-255-4545
SPARTANS MAIN#/COACH BROWN	980-483-3495
SPARTANS EMAIL	<a href="mailto:nextlevelspartans@gmail.com">nextlevelspartans@gmail.com</a>
SPARTANS WEBSITE	<a href="http://nlspartans.com">nlspartans.com</a>

6U	COACH BROWN	980-483-3495	The <a href="#">Band App</a> will be used this season for all teams. A link for each team will be provided for ongoing team-specific updates.
8U	COACH TRUESDALE	803-325-5954	
10U	COACH KOOLAID	704-612-1223	
12U	COACH HURST	704-747-3497	





Thank you and please reach out with questions!