



# Casper Midget Football Association

May 2017

Dear Parents

Casper Midget Football would like to introduce you to our program.

Casper Midget Football started in Casper in the fall of 1969. Since that time, we have introduced the game of football to approximately 14,000 participants in the Casper area. CMFA is a non-profit, all volunteer organization. We are quite proud of our program, especially of our safety record. Since 1969, we have had only a few minor injuries to our players. We feel the reasons for this are that we buy the very best equipment available, stress physical fitness, and the players are well coached by our volunteer staff. Additionally, CMFA partners with USA Football to teach and utilize the "Heads Up Football Program" which promotes proper head positioning to help prevent concussions.

CMFA has been a very popular program for the children and parents who participate. The participants not only learn the game football, but they also learn sportsmanship, respect, teamwork, pride, and self-esteem. The parents enjoy our program because we stress to our coaches that all players, regardless of ability, will participate in all games.

We do not allow weekend practices, except prior to a championship game. All players are rewarded equally as a team, not as individuals. We try to let your child play on a team in his or her neighborhood or school area. The on-time registration fee is **\$100.00**. All equipment will be provided except for shoes, mouthpieces, and practice jerseys. Mouthpieces are required and will be on sale at equipment issue for \$1.00 each.

We do not require a physical exam, but we do highly recommend that your child have a physical. Please be aware that our coaches are instructed in the event of a serious injury, that they are to call 911 and seek professional attention.

CMFA carries a health and accident policy that is secondary to the participant's personal coverage for claims while in our program. This policy is through USA Football and National Union Fire Insurance Co. If you need further information regarding filing a claim, please see our website. The injured party is responsible for any costs incurred, and CMFA is released from all liability.

Please review and complete the attached registration as soon as possible to insure your child's opportunity to play with school mates from his or her school. **Any school information found to be intentionally falsified to change the team assignment will result in that child being removed from the program.** Equipment will be issued and participants will be weighed at the CMFA equipment building at Washington Park on Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> for 6<sup>th</sup> graders Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> for 5<sup>th</sup> graders. **All participants must weigh in before they will be assigned to a team.** Registrations not made by the Late Equipment checkout on August 23<sup>rd</sup> will be subject to a \$25 late fee. Registrations will not be accepted beyond September 6<sup>th</sup>. **Late registrants are not guaranteed a place on the same team as school mates.**

Your child will be contacted by his or her coach between August 25<sup>th</sup> and August 27<sup>th</sup>. The first day of practice will be Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Parents, please exhibit the traits of good sportsmanship while attending all games. All of the coaches, referees and organizers are volunteers and are only interested in the children having fun in a safe environment, as well as learning the basics of football. The number of games won and lost is NOT a determining factor when considering the success of your child's experience with Midget Football.**

The Casper Midget Football Association would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to tell you about our program, and we would like to urge you and your child to participate in Midget Football.

If you have any questions about our program, please call our CMFA message number, 473-8674, please leave your name and number and one of our Board members will return your call as soon as possible, or you may visit our website at [www.midgetfootball.org](http://www.midgetfootball.org).

Sincerely,

**Joe Kennedy, President**  
**CASPER MIDGET FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION**





## **CMFA RESGISTRATION INFORMATION**

### **GRADE REQUIREMENTS:**

As of the start of the season, to be eligible to participate, a youth must be in grade 5 and not have reached their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday by September 1, 2017, or in grade 6 and not have reached their 13<sup>th</sup> birthday by September 1, 2017. A copy of a birth certificate may be required for proof of birth date. All participants can play for only two years in the program, and **will be assigned to the same team as a 6<sup>th</sup> grader that they played on as a 5<sup>th</sup> grader.**

### **EARLY REGISTRATION:**

Registrations received by August 1<sup>st</sup> will insure the most favorable team assignment. Team assignments are by school attended if possible. **Any school information found to be intentionally falsified to change the team assignment will result in that child being removed from the program.** Send registration and \$100.00 fee in as soon as possible.

### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:**

Registrations are considered late (and subject to \$25 late fee) after 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> and will not be accepted, unless approved by the CMFA President, after 8:00 pm Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. Late registrants are not guaranteed a place on the same team as school mates.

### **EQUIPMENT ISSUE:**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Equipment Issue-Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> @5:30 – 7:30 PM at Washington Park.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Equipment Issue -Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> @5:30 – 7:30 PM at Washington Park.

Late Equipment Issue both grades - Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:30 – 7:00 PM at Washington Park.

**No equipment will be issued before these dates.**

### **CMFA FUNDAMENTALS CAMP:**

Natrona County High School and CMFA will hold a football fundamentals camp Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> through Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The camp is not mandatory, however, all registrants are encouraged to attend and the registration fee includes the cost of the camp.

### **EQUIPMENT:**

If there is an equipment problem during the season, please call 473-8674 and leave your name and number. Your call will be returned and you will be instructed when the equipment room will be open.

### **INSURANCE:**

CMFA carries a health and accident policy that is secondary to the participant's personal coverage for claims while in our program. This policy is through USA Football and National Union Fire Insurance Co.

### **TEAM NOTIFICATIONS:**

Coaches will contact players between August 25<sup>th</sup> and August 27<sup>th</sup>. The first day of practice will be Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>.

**CASPER MIDGET FOOTBALL REGISTRATION FORM**

**RETURN THIS FORM AND \$100.00 REGISTRATION FEE TO:**

**CMFA, P.O. BOX 1114, CASPER, WY 82602**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE (FALL 2017) \_\_\_\_\_  
SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE-HOME \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENTS NAME \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
DID YOU PLAY CMFA LAST YEAR? \_\_\_\_\_ WHICH TEAM \_\_\_\_\_  
EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENTS' CODE OF ETHICS:**

I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for \_\_\_\_\_ by following this Parent's Code of Ethics:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players and coaches at every game, practice or other team session.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of any personal desire to win.
3. I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
4. I will provide positive support for coaches and officials working with my child.
5. I will demand a drug, alcohol, and tobacco-free sports environment for my child.
6. I will remember that the program is for children and not for adults.
7. I will do my very best to make the sport fun for my child.
8. I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, creed, or ability.
9. I will promise to help my child enjoy the youth sports experience within my personal constraints by being a respectful fan, providing transportation, or whatever I am capable of doing.
10. I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and role model and that the coaches abide by the Coaches Code of Ethics.

**PARENT OR GUARDIAN CONSENT:**

I\We give our permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in CMFA activities realizing that such activity involves the potential for injury. I\We acknowledge that even with the best coaching, using the most advanced equipment, and observance of the rules, injuries still occur. I\We acknowledge that my\our child is not required to have a physical exam and will agree to notify the Coach of any physical condition that CMFA should be aware of (List all conditions that may limit activity). \_\_\_\_\_

I\We will hold CMFA harmless for any injuries or related costs which may occur. I\We acknowledge that I have read and fully understand the above.

**EQUIPMENT ACCEPTANCE:**

I ACCEPT, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR, AND WILL RETURN CMFA EQUIPMENT ISSUED (VALUES AT \$250) IN GOOD CONDITION. (IF NOT RETURNED CMFA WILL PURSUE THIS TO THE FULLEST EXTENT.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent\Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Player Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**CMFA USE ONLY: DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE**

Helmet S/N \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_\_