



**CENTRAL ILLINOIS**  
**YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE**  
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**Athlete / Parent**  
**Handbook**

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*Welcome to the*  
**CENTRAL ILLINOIS YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

## **History**

The first meeting to organize a tackle football program for 5th through 7th grade was held on February 23, 1960. After several meetings and a tremendous amount of work on the part of many individuals, a charter was secured from the State of Illinois for Pee Wee Football, Inc. of Champaign-Urbana, a not-for-profit corporation. At that point, a drive was launched to secure the sum of \$6,000 needed for uniforms, equipment and insurance. Through the contributions of local businesses, labor unions, and private individuals, this goal was quickly reached. Equipment was purchased, practices were held and the first games were played in September of 1960. To date, all Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches are strictly on a volunteer basis.

The league began with four teams in 1960, expanded to five teams in 1967 and to six teams in 1970. In 1977, the league experienced further expansion by adding 8th graders to the teams and including Urbana players to the mix. At that point, the teams were divided into Junior Varsity (5th and 6th graders) and Varsity (7th and 8th graders). Also in that year, the organization became known as the Champaign-Urbana Youth Football League.

The next surge of expansion started in 2002 with the addition of a Mahomet JV team, a final name change to Central Illinois Youth Football League and in 2003 with the addition of a Mahomet Varsity team and with Rantoul's JV and Varsity teams joining as an out-of-district member of CIYFL. In 2008, the league added a Pee Wee (3rd and 4th graders) division adding six additional teams which to date continues to expand.

Football games have been held at various football fields over the years until 1999, when league supporters and the Champaign Park District came together to create CIYFL's home football field at Zahnd Park. In the past, CIYFL has graciously been given the opportunity to play the final games of the season at the University of Illinois Memorial Stadium.

## League Philosophy

The Central Illinois Youth Football League was organized to provide the youth of Champaign-Urbana and surrounding communities with an opportunity to play competitive full contact football in a supervised environment. The League's goal is to familiarize the players with the fundamentals of football and to teach them, that academics and athletics should be a joint, communal effort. We will strive to instill concepts of good sportsmanship and teamwork while building confidence, respect for one's self and one's opponent and discipline. These value propositions are expected from not only the players, but also from the parents, families and spectators.

## Player Eligibility

### *Pee Wee (PW)*

Third and Fourth grade boys and girls who are, or will be at least eight (8), but are not eleven (11) years of age before September 1st of the current season. Those who are, or will be over eleven (11) before September 1st of the current season will be moved up to the junior varsity level.

### *Junior Varsity (JV)*

Fifth and sixth grade boys and girls who are, or will be at least ten (10), but are not thirteen (13) years of age before September 1st of the current season. Those who are, or will be over thirteen (13) before September 1st of the current season will be moved up to the varsity level.

### *Varsity*

Seventh and eighth grade boys and girls who are, or will be at least twelve (12), but are not fifteen (15) years of age before September 1st of the current season.

NOTE: Players may not exceed two seasons at each level and must meet both grade and age requirements to participate. Grade level takes precedent over age. A player may not play more than a total of six (6) seasons in the CIYFL.

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## **Academic Eligibility**

The CIYFL recognizes the importance of both academic and athletic excellence. Players must remain in good academic standing in their respective schools in order to participate. Because the CIYFL is not directly affiliated with any school district, it must rely on the integrity of the players and parents to identify situations where players become ineligible for academic shortfalls. Unless directly notified by parents or guardian, the CIYFL has no ability or responsibility to monitor a player's academic status. Players are required to follow CIYFL and team rules.

## **Registration**

All players must be registered with the CIYFL on or before Helmet Handout Day (which is the Saturday before the first practice) of each season. CIYFL registrations will occur in May and June on pre-determined dates. Pamphlets are distributed to all school districts within the participating area and advertisements are run in the local newspaper and other media outlets.

Late registrations will be considered by the Executive Committee only in instances of relocation within 30 days of Helmet Handout Day and then only during the first two weeks of the season. Acceptance will be based upon the number of players already signed up and concurrence by the coach. These decisions are solely at the Executive Committee's discretion.

All players must get CIYFL clearance before they are permitted to practice. A parent or legal guardian must sign all registration forms. The following documentation must be submitted PRIOR to equipment distribution: Original or Certified Birth Certificate (copies are not acceptable), Most Recent School Report Card, Sports Physical (Within same calendar year as season) and proof of Residency. Forged or misleading documents will result in disciplinary action.

## **Registration Fees**

All fees must be paid as noted at the time of registration PRIOR to any equipment distribution. The registration fee is \$180. *In communities*

where the CIYFL establishes a new team, players from those communities may be surcharged an additional \$25.00 per season for the first three years to compensate the CIYFL for the cost of outfitting and equipping the new team.

### *Financial Assistance*

Allowance will be made for those families who need financial assistance if they can provide evidence that they are receiving state or federal assistance under lunch subsidy programs or provide such other evidence satisfactory to the Executive Committee. Determination of these facts will be at the sole discretion of the Executive Committee. Reduced fees are typically one-half of the normal registration fees.

### *Returned Checks*

Returned checks will be brought to the attention of the parent or player who will have three (3) days to resolve the issue via a cash payment. Following such time, the equipment will be returned and the player will be ineligible for the current and all future seasons.

### *Refunds*

Parents will be eligible for a refund of 75% of the registration fees up to the day helmets are received. After that day up to but not including the day of the Jamboree, parents can receive 50% of the registration fees provided all of the equipment is returned to the coach in good condition. The day of the Jamboree, and the subsequent season, no refund will be given.

## **Team Assignments**

Players are assigned to teams based upon the player's home address. The home address is the address of the parent or legal guardian that the player resides with.

At the beginning of each season, the first 20 Pee Wee, 25 Junior Varsity and 30 Varsity players in each area will be assigned to that area's respective team, on a first come, first serve basis. Additional players from that area will be put on a waiting list based upon when their registration information was completed. The Executive Committee will equalize team

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*Team Assignments (cont.)*

sizes by first utilizing players from the waiting lists, then assigning players to teams (other than their geographic location) until all of the teams in each division have an equal number of players.

Players are not permitted to pick their teams, however parents may petition the Board in writing for approval to change teams. Players will be permitted to change teams only if there are valid reasons. Transfers must be approved by both coaches involved and then cleared by the Executive Committee.

## Equipment

The CIYFL provides each player with proper equipment that is clean and in good working condition. The equipment provided is as follows:

Game Pants & Game Jersey, Practice Pants & Practice Jersey,  
 Helmet with Chin Strap, Shoulder Pads, Belt, Girdle, Thigh Pads (2),  
 Hip Pads (2), Knee Pads (2), Butt pad and First mouthpiece

For safety reasons only CIYFL supplied items are allowed with the exception of mouthpieces. The CIYFL requires that all equipment, at the end of the player's season, be cleaned\*\*. If the equipment isn't returned clean there will be a \$10.00 cleaning fee.

*\*\*Suggested cleaning instructions: Do not use bleach. Bleach will break down the fibers in the clothing and may turn yellow. Oxy-Clean is a suggested alternative to getting whites whiter. Washing should be done with like color clothing. Please do not dry clothing on high heat. Medium or low heat is suggested.*

Parents are expected to provide T-shirts, shorts, socks, athletic supporters and any other undergarments as well as additional rib protectors if needed. Parents are also required to provide shoes with rubber football cleats. Only 100% rubber cleats are acceptable by IHSA rules. Any cleats containing metal will not be allowed. Players will be required to purchase additional mouthpieces, if the provided mouthpiece is lost or damaged.

Safety is paramount. Players are required to wear all equipment while participating in games and full contact practice sessions. Coaches may vary practice requirements based upon weather conditions and the level of contact anticipated. When helmets are worn, players are required to wear chinstraps and mouthpieces. Failure to bring necessary equipment to a game will disqualify the player for that game. Failure to wear necessary equipment during a game may result in a penalty for the team.

Players are required to turn in equipment on the date of equipment hand-in. If all equipment isn't returned, the players parent or legal guardian will be billed. After 30 days, if equipment or payment is not received, further action will be taken, including the player becoming ineligible to register for the next season. The player will not be allowed to register the next season until payment is made in full or equipment is turned in.

## Practices

IHSA rules require that all players must practice at least ten (10) practices with the first three (3) mandatory helmets only. CIYFL requires five (5) practice sessions with only helmets, then participation in another five (5) practice sessions in full equipment before playing in their first game. The ONLY exception to this rule is extreme weather conditions that would prohibit either of these regulations to be met.

Most teams typically practice Monday through Friday. Practices last between 1.5 and 2 hours. Coaches are required to provide a water break every thirty (30) minutes. Practice schedules are set by the coaches and approved by the Executive Committee. Without prior Executive Board approval, no practices can be scheduled for game days.

In order to be eligible for games, players must participate in the head coaches' specified number of practices during the week immediately prior to the game. The CIYFL Varsity and Junior Varsity minimum to be eligible to play, is three (3) practices in one week. Teams are not permitted to practice more than five times per week. Pee Wee Teams will practice 3 times per week. (More than 3 requires Executive Board approval).

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## *Practices Fields*

### *Pee Wee -*

Champaign Giants – Zahnd Park  
 Champaign Titans – Centennial Park (NE)  
 Mahomet Bulldogs – 13 Acres Park  
 Tolono Rockets – West Side Park (Tolono)  
 Urbana/Champaign Vikings – Centennial Park (SW)

### *Junior Varsity -*

Champaign Wildcats – Powell Park  
 Champaign Colts – Johnston Park  
 Champaign Blue Devils – Morrissey Park  
 Urbana Golden Bears – Chief Shemauger Park  
 Mahomet Bulldogs – 13 Acres Park

### *Varsity -*

Champaign Broncos – Hazel Park  
 Champaign Stallions – Noel Park  
 Champaign Panthers – Robeson Park  
 Urbana Tigers – Chief Shemauger Park  
 Mahomet Bulldogs – 13 Acres Park

## **Games**

### *Days and Times*

Games are played on Saturday and Sunday with the possible exception of holiday weekends. With prior notification, games scheduled on a holiday weekend will be rescheduled for a week night directly following the holiday weekend. Varsity games will be played at 1:00pm, JV games will be played at approximately 3:00pm and Pee Wee games will be played at approximately 5:00pm. JV and Pee Wee games will begin 15 minutes after the previous game has ended.

### *Game Locations*

CIYFL games are played at Zahnd Park, Centennial Park, Bill Seeber Complex, Tilton and Danville. Zahnd Park is located on the southwest side of Champaign, just south of the intersection of Staley and Windsor roads.

Parking is not allowed on Staley Road. Centennial Park is located behind Jefferson Middle School (1115 Crescent Dr). Bill Seeber Complex (also known as Camp Rantoul) is located on Rte. 45 in Rantoul.

Parents and fans are requested to park in designated parking areas only. Violators can be ticketed and or towed. Visit our website for printable directions.

### *Jamboree*

Each year the CIYFL and other affiliated teams hold a Jamboree scrimmage to begin the season. The Jamboree location will be voted on and determined by the Board based upon the number of teams participating between the CIYFL and the other affiliated teams.

## **Rules**

The CIYFL utilizes all IHSA (Illinois High School Association) rules, which falls under the NFHS (National Federation of State High School Associations), with the following exceptions:

### *Length of Quarters*

**Varsity** - 10 minute start/stop clock with a 10 minute halftime break

**Junior Varsity** - 8 minute start/stop clock with a 10 minute halftime break

**Pee Wee** - 30 minute running clock per half with a start/stop clock the final 2 minutes of the game, a 35 second huddle, a 10 minute halftime break and 3 time outs per half.

### *Points After Touchdowns*

**Varsity** – kicking = 2 points / running or passing = 1 point

**Junior Varsity** – kicking or running = 1 point / passing = 2 points

**Pee Wee** – running = 1 point / passing = 2 points

### *Punts & Extra Points*

**Varsity** - Players are not permitted to be positioned directly over the center on punts or extra kicks, however rushing from all other positions is allowed.

*Punts & Extra Points (cont.)*

**Junior Varsity** - No rushing the punter or kicker is permitted. When punting, there is no forward movement allowed until after the ball is kicked.

**Pee Wee** – No punting (ball is moved 25 yards or placed on 20 yard line)  
No kicking, ball is placed on 35 yard line to start possession at beginning of half or after a touchdown.

*Weight Restrictions*

**Varsity** – Players who weigh over 150 pounds cannot advance the ball. 150 pounds and below qualify as skill positions: quarterback, running backs, ends and receivers.

**JV** – Players who weigh over 120 pounds cannot advance the ball. 120 pounds and below qualify as skill positions: quarterback, running backs, ends and receivers.

**Pee Wee** – Players who weigh over 90 pounds cannot advance the ball. Players 90 pounds and below qualify as skill positions: quarterback, running backs, ends and receivers.

All players will be weighed on Helmet Handout Day. Players over the limit by five (5) pounds or less are eligible to be reweighed on a designated date to be determined by the executive board prior to the start of the regular season. Weigh-ins must be supervised by at least two Board Members. Following the reweigh day, head coaches will receive weights of all players on each team. The listed weights remain the playing weight for each player for the entire season.

All players INELIGIBLE to advance the ball must place a 3” strip of tape horizontally on the back of their helmets. Kickers and punters are excluded from the weight restrictions, provided that they do not attempt to advance the ball. If an attempt is made to advance the ball, the ball immediately becomes a dead ball and the play is over. Defensively, in the event a player over the weight restriction recovers a fumble or intercepts a pass, the ball is dead. The play ends at the point of the interception or recovery and the defensive team retains possession. *No forward progress is permitted.*

### *Additional Pee Wee Exceptions*

Pee Wee games can have up to two coaches on the field at a time. No Blitzing is permitted at this level. The defense will not line up over the Center; Line up man on man.

### *Minimum Playing Time*

All players, who are not on either academic ineligibility (by their parent or guardian) or disciplinary suspension by the coach or the CIYFL, are eligible to participate in at least six (6) plays per half. Special teams (punts, punt returns, kicks, kick-offs) are considered in the minimum play rule.

*Parents need to be mindful that players sometimes voluntarily avoid insertion into a game. Players need to be attentive during the game and practice sessions. Coaches are not responsible if players don't respond when their unit is called. Coaches, at their sole discretion, may suspend or remove players from their rosters when players become disruptive or refuse to participate in practice sessions. Suspension from practice sessions may result in decreased playing time in games.*

### *Overtime*

In the case of a tie, overtime will be played according to IHSA rules except there will be a maximum of two (2) overtime periods. Overtimes will begin at the ten yard line for each team. If a second overtime occurs, teams must attempt a 2-point conversion. After two (2) overtime periods, the game will be considered a final score.

### *Game Cancellations*

The officials or any Board Member in attendance may cancel or postpone a game due to weather conditions, or extenuating circumstances, with games being rescheduled from the point of the delay at the earliest possible non-game day available. At the discretion of the Board, games may be cancelled and not rescheduled. Any game that has started will be considered complete, if more than three quarters have been played.

### *Running Clock*

Under the following situations, the game clock will continue to run. The clock will not stop for first downs, incomplete passes, change of

### *Running Clock (cont.)*

possessions, but will stop during extra point attempts and time outs (injury, official and team). Coaches have no option to override this rule in either half.

When a team is ahead by 24 or more points in the first half, the clock will run until the end of the half.

When a team is ahead by 40 or more points in the second half, the clock will run until the end of the game.

When this rule is in effect, the team ahead may not place any of its starting offensive backfield or receivers into the game. No restrictions on the composition of the defensive units will be instituted. Coaches are encouraged to use non-starting players to allow for equal playing time.

### *Game Officials*

CIYFL requires a minimum of three officials per game, of which, one (1) is a registered IHSA official. The other two officials may be in training as approved by the CIYFL Executive Committee. It is the Board's responsibility to ensure that provisions have been made for the officials. If three officials are not available for a game between teams within the CIYFL, the game(s) will be rescheduled or a solution to resolve will be agreed upon before game time. In the case that one of the CIYFL teams is hosting a game with an affiliate team; every attempt should be made to follow the above guidelines. Similarly, if another league hosts a regular season game and does not have the necessary number of officials, the CIYFL team Head Coach is responsible for determining if the game should be played.

### *Athletic Trainers*

CIYFL requires that there be medical personnel on site at ALL times during each CIYFL game. In the case that medical personnel is not available for a game between teams within the CIYFL, the game(s) will be rescheduled. In the case that one of the CIYFL teams is hosting a game with an affiliate team, the host CIYFL team will forfeit the game. Similarly, if another league hosts a regular season game and does not have medical personnel, the CIYFL team shall not play the game and shall consider the game a forfeit by the opposing team.

## Coaches Responsibility and Authority

All coaches must be approved by the CIYFL and must have a general knowledge of the game of football. Coaching assignments are for one year only and coaches must reapply for coaching positions annually. Head coaches must be at least 21 years of age. Assistant coaches must be at least 18 years of age and have graduated from high school. Head coaches are required to be certified through available training programs sponsored by the CIYFL. The CIYFL may also make these seminars available for assistant coaches.

The entire coaching staff (assistants, volunteers and parent reps) will be under the direction and supervision of the head coach. Head coaches are in complete charge of their players. Coaches are responsible for their own actions, their assistant's actions and the actions of their players.

Coaches must represent the best in football and leadership. Coaches' conduct is always under scrutiny. They must, at all times, be a role model for their players. Their actions effect their players, parents and fans.

### *Required Standard of Conduct for All CIYFL Coaches:*

1. Coaches will always keep the health and welfare of players foremost. The coach will remove from a game or practice any injured player whose health is questionable.
2. Coaches will always strive to set an example for his players on and off the field.
3. Coaches will not use tobacco products or alcoholic beverages on the practice field or during games.
4. Coaches will not berate a player at anytime. The coach will not berate or criticize game officials and will accept their decisions as fair.
5. Coaches will not run-up the score on a weaker opponent.
6. Coaches will not incite fans or spectators into actions unbecoming the game of football.
7. Coaches will reinforce the importance of scholastic as well as athletic achievements.

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*Required Standard of Conduct for All CIYFL Coaches: (cont.)*

8. Coaches will not use ineligible players and will bring to the attention of the CIYFL any information, which affects the eligibility of players.
9. Coaches will make certain that all players are given an opportunity to play the required number of plays under CIYFL game rules.
10. Coaches will follow IHSA and CIYFL rules and regulations at all times.

Failure of the coach to adhere to IHSA/CIYFL policies and procedures will result in disciplinary action as determined by the Executive Committee.

**Awards***MVP Awards*

The MVP award is given to a Varsity and JV participant, which shows sportsmanship, leadership and athletic ability. Each team's head coach nominates this award weekly. The head coach nominates the MVP of the game for both home and visiting teams as well as offense and defense. Each nominee is based on performance, sportsmanship and leadership each week. Players who violate League rules, are removed from games for unsportsmanlike conduct or are suspended for disciplinary action will not be eligible for receipt of the CIYFL MVP award. At the completion of the regular season, nominations are tallied and the participant with the most nominations will be named CIYFL MVP.

*Coach Kropp Award*

The Coach Kropp award is given to one participant that is an eighth grader and that has been in the league for four years. This award is given to the participant that displays the following criteria: hardworking, energetic, dependable and attentive, behaves, always gives their best, never gives up, and doesn't complain. This is not necessarily the best athlete, but an all around great kid. The Coach Kropp award is awarded to the type of individual that all coaches would like to coach. The Coach Kropp Award is nominated by head coaches and voted on by the Executive Committee

***Varsity All Star Game***

On a year to year basis, a Varsity All-Star game may be played after the conclusion of the season, with teams to be determined by coaches.

## Parent's Responsibilities and Participation

Parents must recognize that the CIYFL functions on a volunteer basis. As a result parents are required to participate in CIYFL activities. Participation can come in any of the following ways:

### *Mandatory Parent Meeting*

At least one parent or guardian new to the organization will attend a New Parent Meeting to be announced prior to the season.

### *CIYFL Fundraisers*

Registration fees have been re-aligned to include funds required to support the CIYFL activities. The only scheduled CIYFL fundraisers are:

1. Jamboree Day Concessions - The CIYFL is permitted to run concessions only on the Jamboree day. The CIYFL will either purchase or find donors for the items to be sold at the concession stand. Affiliated programs will be given an opportunity to host the Jamboree based upon the number of their teams to the total teams in the CIYFL. The affiliated program is responsible for all costs and proceeds of the event and must comply with the CIYFL's standard safety rules regarding officials, facilities and medical staff.
2. Game Day 50-50 Raffles

### *Parents Reps*

Each team is recommended to have at least 2 parent reps who will act as a liaison between the coach, the team's parents and the CIYFL. The parent reps will attend special CIYFL meetings in preparation for fundraisers and in general, to express any concerns that the team or its parents may have.

Spouses of Coaches, Significant Others of Coaches and Assistant Coaches are not permitted to fill the role of Parent Rep. This allows for more open communication between the parents and the coaching staff.

Parent reps are responsible for assigning parent volunteers for game day activities as further outlined below. At the option of each team, parent reps may also be responsible for organizing postseason banquets, etc.

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### *Game Day Duties*

At each game one team will be designated as the “home” team. The CIYFL will attempt to equalize the number of “home team” designations as much as possible. Home teams will be responsible for providing 5 (five) parent volunteers to perform certain jobs that make the games run more smoothly. CIYFL requires that individuals be at least 18 years of age. These tasks and the number of volunteers needed are as follows:

Chain Crew - 3 Volunteers

50/50 Raffle Ticket Sales Person - 1 Volunteer

Clock Operator & Announcer - 1 Volunteer

A Board Member serving in the capacity of site supervisor will provide direction to the parent reps and team volunteers for set up and close of the field for each game day. The site supervisor will provide access to the yard markers, down marker, chains, sound system and scoreboard controls prior to the first game. Parent Reps and coaches are responsible for leaving fields in acceptable conditions.

### **Protests**

The CIYFL shall have complete jurisdiction over protests concerning games and players within its programs. Protests on matters of judgment rendered by any game official will not be heard. Protests regarding the eligibility of players must be documented and will be heard by the CIYFL Board. All protests must be in writing and submitted to CIYFL board no later than 24 hours after completion of the game in question.

#### *Problem Resolution Procedure*

If a player or parent believes that their respective coach is not following CIYFL procedures or has unfairly treated their athlete, the complaint must be filed in writing through one of the parent reps that is responsible for immediately contacting one of the CIYFL Board Members.

## Disciplinary Actions

In addition to the authority given to game officials by the IHSA, the CIYFL can impose the following penalties:

### *Players*

1. Any player inciting or joining a fight during practices or games will be removed from the game or practice session. If the altercation occurs during a practice in which one player strikes another player, the player who struck the player will at a minimum be suspended for the next game, pending further discipline as determined by the Executive Committee. Subsequent violations will result in immediate expulsion from the CIYFL.
2. Any player who disrespects any coach, game and/or team officials will be immediately removed from the game or practice session. Subsequent incidents will next result in suspension for one week (including practice and the next game) then expulsion from the CIYFL.
3. Players engaging in verbal badgering of opponents with the express purpose of intimidating them will be removed from the game. If this occurs a second time, the player will be suspended from one week's games and practices and if it continues the player will be expelled from the CIYFL.
4. Player Code of Conduct – Players shall represent themselves in a courteous manner at all times. Players shall at all times abstain from the use of drugs or alcohol, including nicotine based products. Any player, who is found to have used a banned substance, will immediately be suspended from the league for the remainder of the season and must petition the Executive Committee for re-instatement.
5. Players removed from a game because of unsportsmanlike conduct will have to serve a one week suspension and meet with the Head Coach and the Executive Board before being returned to game eligible status. Players that receive two unsportsmanlike penalties in a game must be removed from the game.

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### *Team Offenses*

1. Failure on the part of the coaches, parent reps and team parents to control team parents and/or fans may result in the team forfeiting the game. Recurring outbursts from team parents and/or fans will result in the suspension of the team for the remainder of the season. Head Coaches are subject to a one week suspension by the CIYFL Executive Committee for failure to control assistant coaches, players and parents when such individuals are removed from games or practices. A second offense can result in the Head Coach or assistant coach being suspended for the remainder of the season. At the sole discretion of the CIYFL Executive Committee, specific parents or fans may be barred from all CIYFL activities.
2. Failure of the parents and coaches to collectively keep the health, safety and welfare of the players foremost will result in suspension of the entire team for the remainder of the season.

### **CIYFL Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors of the CIYFL are strictly volunteers. The Board consists of head coaches (mandatory) plus other individuals. It is anticipated that Board appointments will last between two to four years so that Board Members have an opportunity to learn about the CIYFL and its operations. Board Officials are elected at the annual meeting. The Board Officers will be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Intermediate Past President. The Vice President is assumed to be the next President and will be trained to fill that capacity. In addition the Board will seek to appoint individual members to supervise specific activities such as fund-raising, field operations, registrations and equipment.

The Board of Directors meet on the third Wednesday of each month from January through November. All interested parties are encouraged to participate on the Board. The Board of Directors are responsible for ensuring that CIYFL rules are enforced and that the CIYFL creates an atmosphere for the youth of the community to participate in a program of organized, competitive football. Because the CIYFL is a volunteer organization the Board relies upon the coaches, parents and other individuals to provide input and guidance on its activities.

### *Board Members*

Current Board Members for the 2009 season are as follows,

Todd Brady, Ryan Brommel, Scott Day, Richard Flesch, Guy Foster, Bill Harmon, Ken Hauser, Steve Hillard, David Hubbs, Mikki Johnson, Jerry Justice, Terry Long, Jamal Maatuka, Rick Malinowski, Richard Matteson, Chad Mitchem, Ed Ogle, Darren Preston, Tim Revels, Randy Stagen, Matt Stringer, Brian Stumph, Debbie Stumph, Devon Turner, Tim Turner, Tana Ward, Rob Washburn, Emery Williams, Jarrel Young

Board Officers (Executive Committee) elected for the 2009 season are,

President:	Rob Washburn (ciyfl1@gmail.com)
Vice President:	Ken Hauser (kjhauser@sbcglobal.net)
Secretary:	Tana Ward (tanaward@cbdevonshire.com)
Treasurer:	Debbie Stumph (deb@herriots.com)
Past President:	Brian Stumph (brians@herriots.com)

Current Coaches for the 2009 season are as follows,

#### *Pee Wee -*

Champaign Giants - Devon Turner, Champaign Titans - Ryan Brommel,  
Rantoul Falcons - Randy Stagen, Mahomet Bulldogs - Mark Kirts,  
Tolono Rockets - Rich Flesch, Urbana/Champaign Vikings - Jamal Maatuka

#### *Junior Varsity -*

Champaign Blue Devils - Brian Stumph, Champaign Colts - Tim Revels,  
Champaign Wildcats - Jarrel Young, Mahomet Bulldogs - Chad Mitchem,  
Rantoul Falcons - Terry Long, Urbana Golden Bears - Darren Preston,

#### *Varsity -*

Champaign Broncos - Tim Turner, Champaign Panthers - Mikki Johnson,  
Champaign Stallions - Emery Williams, Mahomet Bulldogs - Richard  
Matteson, Rantoul Falcons - Guy Foster, Urbana Tigers - Bill Harmon

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