



2021 Fontana SkyHawks Parent Handbook

Welcome to the Fontana SkyHawks!

We are excited to announce the launch of the new Fontana SkyHawks Youth Athletics Football and Cheer Chapter of the Southern California Junior All American Football Conference. We have founded this league to offer an environment where the youth of Fontana can engage in athletic activities in a family centered program that encourages core values and a connection to the local community.



We are proud to join the Southern California Jr All American Conference. They have successfully created a thriving league with strong local chapters that espouse similar values, create an organized and safe environment for competition, and offer both competitive cheer and football as well as developmental opportunities for new participants.

Our leadership is dedicated to creating experiences that your child will cherish for a lifetime!

Executive Board Members:



Ed Lyon

President

Ed Lyon is a dedicated volunteer who is passionate about the positive impact that participation in a youth football program can have in a young person's life. He has been coaching youth football for 18 seasons and has served as a board member and leader in youth organizations focused on teaching student athletes to achieve great things through hard work, sacrifice and loyalty to their teammates. Ed is committed to providing the opportunity for every player and cheerleader to enjoy the positive youth experiences that helped shape his life through participation in youth football and cheer.



George Uko

Commissioner

George Uko played football locally in the I.E. and had a dominant high school career earning him the ranking as #1 defensive tackle in California and #3 in the country. Uko had over 60 full ride scholarship offers and decided to accept a full ride scholarship to USC, where he was a three-year defensive starter for the Trojans and earned his degree in Sociology. At USC he had 85 tackles, 11.5 sacks, and 27 consecutive starts. Uko went on to spend 4 years in the NFL playing for Tampa Bay Bucs, New Orleans Saints, and Denver Broncos in which he won Super Bowl 50 with the Broncos. Today, George is running one of the most successful training businesses in Southern CA called TPA. He is working to give back the knowledge and experiences he had in the sport and pass it down to the youth in hopes they can live out their dreams the same way he did his.



Jesse Cerda

Cheer Coordinator

Jesse Cerda was raised in Fontana and has been in education for over 14 years in the Fontana Unified School District. He is passionate about working with students and pushing them to greatness. He entered the cheer world as Summit High School's Varsity Cheer coach 9 years ago and has experienced much success. Program highlights include: Varsity USA National Champions 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016; Varsity Best of the West Champions 2017; Varsity FNL Championships at USA Camp 2017, 2018, 2019; Varsity CHEERpros State Champions 2019; Varsity UCA Nationals 3rd Place Medium COED & 4th Place Gameday 2019; Varsity CIF Inaugural Cheer Champions 2019; Varsity Top 7 GPA in the CIF Southern Section; Named Cheer Program of the Decade by IE Prep Magazine; and was honored as the California State Cheerpros Coach of the Year 2020. Cerda has alumni student athletes who are currently cheering at the college and pro level in the NFL. Cerda is committed to giving

back to the community he loves through provide our youth with a positive cheer experience.

Vice President: Nick Matheny

Treasurer: Jennifer Karpinski

Athletic Director: Melissa Abott

Vice Commissioner: Gabe Hernandez

Equipment Manager: Erik Avila

Registration and Participation Policies:

The following rules and regulations have been set to help the Fontana SkyHawks Football and Cheer Program ensure that each and every child participating in our program will do so in a safe and nurturing environment.

Failure to comply with the policies set forth by Fontana SkyHawks Football and Cheer Program and the Southern California Jr All-American Football Organization can result in the adult violator being removed and/or banned from any and all Jr. All-American functions, including but not limited to, practices and games. Violations in regards to our registration and participation policies can result in your child's suspension and/or removal from our program.

The following **must** be provided **before** your child can take the field:

- **Completed and signed participant contract**
 - **Proof of Age:** Official Birth Certificate (County Seal)
 - **Proof of Residency:** Current (30 days) Utility Bill (Water, gas, electric, or trash)
 - **Sports Physical:** dated after May 1, 2021 utilizing an official Jr. All American Physical form.
 - **Player Profile:** Proof of school identification
1. All registration fees are due and payable at the time of registration unless agreed to and approved by the Executive Board for a payment plan. Dues to be paid prior to August 1st unless payment plan has been arranged.
 2. Any and all payment arrangements must be on time as agreed upon as per signed contract.
 3. There is a REQUIRED team fundraiser and league obligation; ALL registered participants of Fontana SkyHawks Football and Cheer Program are obligated to participate.
 4. Participation in all team obligations, sponsorship drives, team fundraising and home game field and snack bar responsibilities is expected. Any families who do not participate will be penalized.
 5. All policies of Fontana SkyHawks Football and Cheer Program as well as the Southern California Jr. All American Football Organization are to be followed.
 6. No refunds will be rendered after August 1, 2021.

ALL fees MUST BE PAID IN FULL, unless other arrangements have been made AND approved by the Board, ON OR BEFORE August 1, 2021 in order to be able to participate in Saturday games. Your child will NOT be able to play until all fees are made current and may be removed from the team. Also, if payment arrangements are not kept, your child may be pulled from play, you will NOT receive pictures, trophies, or be able to participate in the banquet. There are to be NO EXCEPTIONS to this.

REGISTRATION FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE!

Where does the money go???

This includes League registration plus team fundraising costs to run the program:

- Equipment and uniforms for players and cheerleaders (including training equipment & cheer mats)
- Reconditioning of helmets and replacement of non-usable helmets
- Game day Referees and on the field EMT's
- Field usage fees, including lights
- Conference fees (includes insurance premiums)
- Office supplies and copying costs
- Awards, trophies, picture package and volunteer recognition
- Volunteer training, clinics, certification and badges
- Field, office and snack bar equipment -maintenance and/or replacement
- Team expenses- game snacks and water, pizza parties, yearbook and end of season banquet & gifts
- Team travel expenses for competitive levels

Fees for 2021 Season Fontana SkyHawks:

\$100 – Fundraiser Buyout (non-refundable) – Due upon day of team fundraiser

\$275 – Registration fee – Due August 1st (*unless payment plan has been confirmed*)

(2) Hours - Mandatory parent volunteering in the league (scoreboard, snack bar, or other)

If payment arrangements are requested, they must be done in writing before July 1st – if payment arrangements aren't kept, player /cheerleader will be pulled from practice. Additional fundraising may be done in lieu of cash payments.

*Please note –ALL TEAMS will have additional MANDATORY team fundraising. Football and cheer parents have equal expectations for team fundraising and participation. Signing below means that you agree to pay the fundraiser buyout, OR actively participate in fundraisers, OR seek at least one (1) Sponsorship of \$100 or more.

Please remember that Fontana SkyHawks Football and Cheer Program is a non-profit youth sports organization and runs completely by Volunteers and we can always use help. The funds for our program come from registration fees, fundraisers, and sponsorships. Without any of the above, this program would not exist.