

McKinney Sports Connection

2026 Tackle Football – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1 When does registration open and close?

- Registration Opens: March 15 (annually)
- Registration Closes: June 15
- Late Registration Ends: June 30

In limited cases, players may be added after June 30 if a coach has roster availability and can accommodate the addition.

2 What is required for player verification?

All players must complete the verification process.

Public School Students:

- Birth Certificate
- Most Recent Report Card

Private or Home-Schooled Students:

- Birth Certificate
- Address Verification Documentation (additional documentation may be required)

Verification must be completed to be eligible to participate.

3 How many practices are allowed each week?

Before the first day of school:

- Maximum of 8 hours per week

After school begins:

- Limited to 6 hours per week

We discourage Friday practices (unless unavoidable and approved by the Head Coach) and encourage families to support local McKinney high school programs by attending games at McKinney High, Boyd, and McKinney North.

4 What is the playing time policy?

- Playing time is determined by the Head Coach.
- The league does not enforce equal playing time rules.
- TYFL participants acknowledge this policy during registration.

Coaches consider several factors when determining playing time, including:

- Player safety and ability
- Practice attendance
- Effort and behavior
- Team needs and game situations

If you have concerns:

1. Speak directly with the Head Coach before or after practice or games.
2. If concerns remain unresolved, the Commissioner will meet with both the parents and the Head Coach.

Our goal is to develop players and prepare them for middle school and high school football.

5 Will grade divisions be combined?

No. Grade divisions (3/4 and 5/6) will not be combined.

If a division does not have enough players to field a team, families may:

- Transfer to Fall Flag Football, or
 - Receive a full refund.
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6 Where are games played?

Games are hosted at high school stadiums in:

Ardmore, Anna, Celina, Denison, Denton, McKinney, Melissa, Paris, Princeton, Prosper, Sherman, and Van Alstyne.

Typically:

- 4 home games (McKinney)
 - 4 away games
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7 What is the TYFL game day experience like?

Game day delivers a true “Friday Night Lights” experience — on Saturdays!

Gate Fees (required by TYFL host sites):

- **Adults: \$10**
- **Seniors & School-Aged Students: \$5**
- **Free Admission:**
 - **Authorized Coaches**
 - **Players in Uniform**
 - **Cheerleaders in Uniform**
 - **Children not yet in school**

Gate fees cover:

- **Game officials (paid in cash each game day)**
 - **Stadium rental and field operation costs charged by school districts**
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8 Is there a weight limit?

There is no weight limit to participate in the league.

However, TYFL sets ball carrier weight limits (for players advancing the ball on offense) for safety purposes. All players must attend a preseason weigh-in to be eligible to carry the ball.

Ball Carrier Weight Limits:

- **2nd Grade: 90 lbs**
- **3rd Grade: 110 lbs**
- **4th Grade: 110 lbs**
- **5th Grade: 140 lbs**
- **6th Grade: 140 lbs**

Weight limits are established prior to each season.

If you have additional questions, please contact McKinney Sports Connection leadership. We're excited for another outstanding season! 🏈