



2019 Thompson Youth Football Important Dates & Playing Time

This program is available to boys in **1st through 6th grades** (2019/2020 school year). Additional qualifications may apply before being accepted in this program.

Requirement: ***Kindergarteners** MUST turn 6 prior to Aug. 2, 2019!

- NO 5-year-olds allowed! Absolutely NO exceptions!
- 6-year-old Kindergarteners will be playing with 1st and 2nd graders in the Rookie 1 division.

Registration

Location: On-line at www.alabasterparks.org or at the Alabaster Parks & Recreation Office

Dates: **On-line:** April 22 at 8 AM thru May 31 until 11 PM

At the Office: Weekdays only – April 22 thru May 31 from 8 AM – 5 PM

Fee: \$165.00 for 1st child

Multi child discount: 10% after oldest child is paid in full

(No Checks accepted! We accept Cash, Visa, Master Card, Discover)

Registration forms will not be accepted or processed without payment. For special arrangements, contact Parks & Recreation. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for every child to participate.

Register on Time! Late registrations require a \$25 Late Fee and are subject to placement on a waiting list.

NOTE: When paying with a debit/credit card (**on-line or at the office**), there will be a **4.5% service fee** assessed by Municipal Pay Services, AL. The City of Alabaster receives no additional revenue from this fee.

Registration Fee Includes game jersey and participation award. It also includes rental use of game pants, practice pants, shoulder pads, helmet, and all additional pads. These items are property of the Alabaster Parks & Recreation Department and are to be returned at the end of the season.

Additional Fees: There may be additional fees for Spirit Packs depending on your child's team. The fees may not exceed \$50.

Community Play Rule: All players must play for the member park community in which they reside, or for the private school which they attend.

Birth Certificate

REQUIRED: ALL Players are required to have a copy of their Birth Certificate on file with the Parks and Recreation Dept. If you have not submitted one in the past, you can do so by uploading to your online account, emailing to sallen@cityofalabaster.com or delivering in person to our office.

Playing Time

The minimum play rule will be null and void during the week in which the player has an unexcused missed practice.

Once playoffs start, there will be NO minimum play rule for any division.

- 1st/2nd Grade: All players are required to play **8 plays per game**.
- 3rd/4th Grade: All players are required to play **6 plays per game**.
- 5th/6th Grade: All players are required to play **4 plays per game**.

Fittings

Location – Field House at Buck Creek Park.

- **July 8** (Mon.) at 6:00 PM – 6th Grade
- **July 9** (Tues.) at 6:00 PM – 5th Grade
- **July 10** (Wed.) at 6:00 PM – 4th Grade
- **July 11** (Thur.) at 6:00 PM – 3rd Grade
- **July 12** (Wed.) at 6:00 PM – 1st/2nd Grade

THS Football Camp

Date TBA – 5:30 PM until 7:30 PM at the New THS Football Stadium.

On-site Registration: 5:00 PM - \$40 per child; Cash only!

THS Coaches Meeting

Date TBA – **6:00 PM** at the Alabaster Senior Center.

JSYFL Coaches Meeting

July 27, time TBA, at Oak Mountain High School. Each team must have at least one coach in attendance; however, all coaches are encouraged to attend including assistants.

Practice & Season

August 1 –The season begins with **practice – helmets only**.

August 1 - September 1 – Maximum of **22 practices** per team.

September 3 – **Games** begin.

Warrior Day

Date TBA – 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM at the New THS Football Stadium.

Certification Day

August 17 at Hoover Met – Players will weigh in. They will need proof of residence, copy of school registration form, and their Birth Certificate.

August 24 in the Pelham Press Box – Make up day.

Playoffs

November 4 – Playoffs begin.

Championship Day

November 23 – Location TBA.

Equipment: During equipment hand out, only coaches and league officials are allowed in the equipment room since they have the knowledge to correctly fit players with football equipment. The equipment should fit snug for proper protection.



2019 Thompson Youth Football GENERAL INFORMATION

Football Program

Thompson Youth Football (TYF) is an organization that offers Football for children 6 – 12 years of age who have not exceeded the 6th grade. The TYF program stresses proper teaching of Technique, Discipline, Fundamentals, High Competition, and Desire to Win. The organization is a founding member of the Jefferson-Shelby Youth Football League (JSYFL) which consists of Thompson, Briarwood, Chelsea, Helena, Homewood, Hoover, John Carroll, Oak Mountain, Pelham, Spain Park, Trussville, and Vestavia Hills youth football associations. The JSYF league operates under governing 2015 Bylaws and a Board of Directors with each Member Park having a vote in all league matters. The league is competitive in nature. The league offers a Playoff and Championship format at the end of the season to crown the Champion of each grade classification.

Equipment

All players are issued the following equipment before the start of the season: Helmet, Shoulder Pads, Practice Pants, Game Pants, Game Jersey, and Pads for Football Pants. **This equipment must be turned in at designated times once the season ends. Failure to do so could have a direct impact on the child's participation in future City programs. The Parent/Guardian is responsible for the cost of the equipment and will be invoiced for any lost or damaged equipment.**

Practice & Season

The pre-season practice usually consists of 4 practices per week. Once games begin, the week usually consists of 3 practices and 1 game per week. Games will be played on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights. There will be no Saturday games. Each team will play 8 games (**4 games at Buck Creek and 4 away games**) with the possibility of making the playoffs and eventually playing in the championship game in November.

Team Splits: Jefferson-Shelby Youth Football dictates that teams will be split when a division reaches 40 players. Alabaster Parks and Recreation will use that number for team splitting purposes.

Grade Classifications: Note – There is no weight limit; however, the player's weight will determine if he is a restricted or an unrestricted player. Restricted players will play from tackle to tackle. In all divisions, no player will be eligible who is in 7th grade or higher classification for the current year.