

FRIENDS OF FOOTBALL

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Dear Warrior Football Parent:

It is hard to believe another football season is upon us. Coach Auffant and his staff are looking forward to another exciting and successful season. We thought it would be helpful to make everyone aware of some important dates and events coming up this season. Our next Friends of Football Boosters meeting is **Tuesday September 1st** at 6:30pm in the gym conference room. We urge parents to attend these meetings. Friends of Football's primary goal is to offset some of the costs our team incurs above and beyond what the school has budgeted for. The success of the program depends on the assistance of all parents.

We are also looking for a volunteer or two from each level, Varsity, JV & Freshman, to coordinate the away game lunches for the team and coaches. Each level has 5 away games. (See attached schedule.) Parents can split the date, one family can donate the drinks and another providing the sandwiches etc.

Fundraisers: We are planning two fundraisers this year:

1. Gold Cards: This is our largest fundraiser. All players will be expected to sell at least 25 Gold Cards. The cost for each card is \$10.00 and there are many discounts to local participating businesses. On **Saturday August 29th** there will be a Gold Card Blitz which will begin after the scrimmage against Portsmouth. Lunch will be provided to all players after the game and before the Blitz begins. The players will be sent out in groups to sell their remaining cards.

2. We're looking for one more fundraiser if anyone has any suggestions.

We are currently creating this year's football program in which we offer local businesses the opportunity to advertise, or possibly parents may want to use this space to show their support to their son and his team by placing an ad. This can be fun for the team if everyone gets involved. If anyone has a business or knows of someone who may be interested in placing an ad please use the enclosed contract and return it filled out with payment to either Tracy or Toni by September 5th. **It is our goal this year to have each family sell one page of advertisement as was stated at the mandatory parent meeting last week.**

Senior parents please remember to send a digital picture of your player to Toni at [Toni Mills@fpl.com](mailto:Toni_Mills@fpl.com) by September 5th.

Our final home game of the season is Senior Appreciation Day. This year that day will be **Friday, October 30th**. Underclassmen parent participation is necessary for this event to be successful. Senior parents will not be expected to take part in the preparation for this event. This is their night to enjoy.

Banquet: The date has not yet been determined, but will be sometime in late November or early

December. This year it will be held at The Ashworth by the Sea. Players meals will be paid for by Friends of Football. The cost for parents and others will be sent out at a later date.

Concession Stand: The concession stand provides a service, as well as a profit for the teams needs. To be successful it requires parent volunteers for every game. Whether it will be open for JV and Freshman games will depend on participation. During Varsity games we need a minimum of three people to man the grills, and at least six to eight more people to assist customers. Historically, parents of JV and Freshman players will volunteer for Varsity games to allow those parents to watch their sons play, and vice-versa. We are strongly urging parents to volunteer for minimum of two games over the season. We have attached a list of all shifts available.

Donations: We are accepting donations for the concession stand. We would appreciate if all Senior parents could donate cases of water, Junior parents cases of coke product sodas, Sophomore & Freshman parents cases of PowerAde's. If you can drop your donation off at the concession stand on **Saturday, August 29th** during the Portsmouth Scrimmage, or bring it to the Friends of Football meeting on **Tuesday September 1st at 6:30pm** or call one of our booster members & we can arrange a more convenient time for you.

We are looking forward to a great season. Please refer to our website www.whswarriorsfootball.org for updates and information (Please note it is currently being updated for the new season). You can also refer to www.highschoolsports.net for schedules and standings. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us. Hope to see you at our next meeting on **Tuesday September 1st**.

Respectfully,

Friends of Football
Brain Mills, President
Tracy Santiago, Treasurer
Toni Mills, Secretary
Denise Gallagher, Board Member
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