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Hello Parents,

We would like to welcome your family to YMCA Youth Sports and the 2018 Flag Football season. Y sports nurture the potential of our kids by emphasizing fun, skill development, sportsmanship, and teamwork in a positive environment. Children learn skills and build character while staying active, having fun, and making friends. Here is some pertinent information for the upcoming season:

**Season Dates:**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grade season runs from September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 with a single elimination tournament on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Games are played on Saturdays either in the valley or in the city.

**Guaranteed registration** - The YMCA builds teams by grade and school. Your child will be placed on a team based on the school they attend, with the team on which they played last season and/or with a requested friend. You will get your child's shirt/jersey before the game. If there are not enough participants on the team you were placed on, then you will be contacted and placed on another team.

**Non-guaranteed registration** - Your child will be placed on a team if space permits. In addition, that team may not be in your local area, and there is no guarantee of shirt or jersey before the start of the 1<sup>st</sup> game.

**Coaches Meeting** - The coaches' meeting will be held on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Following the meeting, players will be contacted by their individual coach with pertinent information regarding the team and practice information.

**Practice Game** - Practices can begin the week of August 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Schedules:** Schedules will be completed, emailed to coaches and posted on the Y's website the week of August 27<sup>th</sup>. Picture day will be notated on the schedule. If you have not received it from a coach, please refer to the YMCA website or at the following link <https://ymcaspokane.org/schedules/sports/>.

**Communication:** Please keep an eye on your Playerspace emails. Playerspace is a program we use to send out emails to a team, division, or league. Note you may not receive an email from Playerspace until a month before the season begins. If you have not received an email via Playerspace, please check your junk mail.

**Refunds:** Will be granted with a \$10 administrative fee for requests made before teams begin practicing or football equipment issue takes place. A 50% refund will be granted prior to the first game. Once games begin, no refunds will be granted. In addition, each program participant must have their own insurance.

Lastly, please refer to your team schedule for the date of your child's picture day. If you have any further questions, please contact Matthew Clark at [mclark@ymcaspokane.org](mailto:mclark@ymcaspokane.org).

All the best,

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