

St. Vincent de Paul Parish School Catholic Youth Organization Athletics Information

CYO offers our students at SVDP, as well other smaller schools within our parish, the opportunity to play organized, competitive sports within the Catholic school diocese. CYO Inspires young people to know God, to love God, and to serve God through athletics. Your role as a parent in CYO Athletics is to provide encouragement and support for your child all while keeping the boundaries clear that their sports experience is primarily theirs and that kids play sports to have fun and be with their friends. Therefore, you will hear the mantra at most games from the AD Directors: "Athletes play, Coaches Teach, Officials Officiate and Parents Support". Living by this mantra while participating in and attending CYO games makes the experience of school sports great for all of us!

CYO Athletics requires parish involvement as well as parent involvement. Without volunteers we are unable to run our CYO program-all the way from registration, to marketing/fundraising, to coaching or assistant coaching, to Athletic Director. All of these jobs require volunteers to donate their time. Our program is at risk for losing the ability to sponsor sports teams for a number of sports throughout the year. There are opportunities for you to volunteer at any commitment level -minimal to extensive. Your time can make a difference to hundreds of kids forming long-lasting memories, life skills, and inspiring them to be great people.

Just like with our Parents' Association at SVDP, you are automatically a member of the SVDP CYO Booster Club! We have no club fees or mandatory service for our members. Below are some opportunities that you have for helping out with our CYO program and making a difference!

- Coaching and/or assistant coaching
- Concession Stand Volunteering (usually we have a parent/student at each home Basketball Game to run our Concessions)
- CYO Registration, Marketing, and Athletic Director
- Fish Fry Volunteer (this is our major fundraiser and it requires a lot of help every Friday during Lent. You can sign up for as many or as few shifts as you would like-many hands make light work!)
- Fundraising!!! We need people to raise funds to help keep our registration costs low, purchase quality uniforms, and offer scholarships to families in need.

Please feel free to reach out to Patrick Clark, our current Athletic Director, patrickclark8392@gmail.com or Krissy O'Connor our current CYO Registrar, kristinaoconnor999@gmail.com for more information.

THANK YOU!!

