



**“One Man practicing *SPORTSMANSHIP* is far better than 50 preaching it”**  
**KNUTE ROCKNEY**

Ensure all participants understand “**Good Sportsmanship**”. It is our experience that, during a game, each team can expect to receive 2-3 questionable calls by an Official. **Do not argue calls with the referees.** If you wish to discuss an official's call, speak **ONLY** to the White Hat (*not the Line Judge on your side*). The Officials are (High School level & above) from different states to maintain impartiality.

Should a player be ejected from a game by the Game Official, it may jeopardize the players ability to continue competing in the tournament. **FIGHTING by anyone will result in a game ejection and removal from the remainder of the tournament by FCS.** Head coaches are ultimately **responsible for the conduct of all coaches, players, parents and Spectators on the sideline.**

Should a parent be ejected for misconduct, they'll be escorted to the FCS League Office or parking lot until the conclusion of the game. Should an ejected person fail to immediately leave the game field when instructed, the FCS Administration will contact the **Local Law Enforcement** to remove this person.

Please be advised as a team, the FCS Administration takes sportsmanship & proper conduct seriously. You have brought your children to participate in the tournament so **THEY** can have a **GREAT TIME** and leave with a positive and lifelong memory.

Any participants may be asked to show passes to be within the player and team boxed area on the sidelines.

The FCS Administrators will be present at the field during the games additionally, we have an on-site security patrol on the field. Should you need any assistance, locate the nearest administrator or security personnel.

The FCS will **NOT** provide a sports medicine trainer at the game fields. If there are any possible serious injuries, **DO NOT** move the player. **DO NOT** remove the players helmet. Find the nearest FCS administrator or security person immediately.



## ***What to Expect... and... What is Expected***

- 1.** Your Team must check in as a Team Friday, as previously outlined in these rule expectations and regulations. **We are counting on you Coach.** This will help and assist everybody involved in assuring a solid and smooth foundation in the Tournament.
- 2. BEFORE EVERY GAME** (Your Team) ONE Coach and Your Player book must present themselves for wristband and player inspection 60-90 minutes prior to game time. (**AT EVENT HEADQUARTERS**)
- 3.** All Players will receive a numbered Wristband FRIDAY at your team check-in. This wristband is not to be tampered with, altered or, in Any Case..., ever to be removed, until the Conclusion of Final Game.
- 4. AFTER EVERY GAME** (Your Team) must be at **EVENT HEADQUARTERS**. We will be presenting **GAME AWARDS**. (**At the conclusion**) of Each Game please give an (antidote) regarding a play or player that needs or is worthy of individual recognition. **FCS** ask Coaches from the opposite Team to PICK PLAYERS of the other TEAM for **SPECIAL GAME AWARDS**. **Your Team's Award Ceremony** This is where we strongly suggest the Recognition by YOU of a Player or two that might not be getting this recognition **LET'S MAKE THEM FEEL SPECIAL, COACH.**
- 5.** All Coaches are to monitor Sidelines for ALL Participants and Families as outlined, at the conclusion of each game, a sideline CLEANUP is required in order to Present the Field to the next Teams in a clean and orderly manner. Should Your Team be presented with a field that is **NOT** Clean and Ready as we have outlined, immediately bring this infraction to the FCS Tournament attention the previous team will pay the \$25. We will be paying a groundskeeper to immediately remedy the unthoughtfulness of the previous coach. This coach will then pay that fine.



This package contains the Final Documents necessary to participate in the FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES “**FINAL 4 SHOWDOWN**”. If any information is incorrect please contact the FCS immediately. Please review your financial information immediately.

Please be advised, once a participant is registered for the tournament, there is **NO REFUND** if the participant drops from the tournament. Once registration, the FCS orders Shirts, Medals, Rings, Trophies, all the necessary support to operate the tournament. Should the person reserving the hotel room fail to attend the tournament, the team may be liable for the cost of the room if the reservations were not canceled according to the hotel policy. This is out of the control of FCS.

No roster additions will be made after final check-in, regardless of circumstances.

**Teams must check in no later than 8:00 p.m. on FRIDAY.** In the event of an emergency, immediately contact FCS administration. Please have all paperwork, State ID's or (Birth Certificates with Report Cards), ready for check-in. Players should be in numerical order.

Any money owed by a team must be paid by cash app, zelle, or cash. No personal checks will be accepted

Please ensure all players have necessary equipment to compete. All players must have a mouthpiece. Failure to have proper equipment will result in a player being ineligible to compete in the tournament.

## Football Special Rules

- 40 second Play Clock
- 10 minute Stop Clock Quarters (**8u, 10u, 12u, 14u**) Regular Football
- (8u) Special Teams ball starts on the 40-yard line. Punt options can be walked off 30 yards from the line of scrimmage or go for it on 4th down
- (10u, 12u, 14u) Special Teams kickoff from the 40-yard line
- **1** Time Out for quarters (1, 2 & 3) - Does NOT carry over
- **2** Time Outs for 4th quarter - Does NOT carry over
- **1** Time Out for each Overtime - Does NOT carry over



AGE	NAME OF TEAM	CITY & STATE
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## RULE BOOK

This Packet contains the forms, rules and procedures which must be adhered to for all teams participating in the **2023 FCS FINAL 4 SHOWDOWN** Tournament Hereafter referred to as FCS Tournament.

The FCS Tournament will be placed under the guidelines and rules associated with the FCS events and the longstanding history. This experience has led us to play by a few rule exceptions. Please ask for and know these few exceptions. *(outlined in this Rule Book as well as additionally explained on the website)*

The Head Coach of each team participating in the FCS Tournament is ultimately responsible for records keeping, team finances and the conduct of all participants, including Parent & Spectators attending the tournament. You must assign a team manager to assist you with your coordination Communications and keeping record for your team; however, having a trip manager does not relieve the head coach of any final responsibility.

Only the Head Coach and Team Mom. The FCS will not accept phone calls from parents. Parents must contact the head coach, who in turn, makes contact with the FCS for any additional information.

Failure to have the FCS Tournament Documents will prevent your team's acceptance into the tournament. These all team documents must be returned to the FCS EVENT HEADQUARTERS at Team check-in.

### **Acceptance of the FCS Tournament Rules, Terms & Conditions**

I have read and understand the Rules and the Terms of the National Youth Alliance regarding (My/Our) Team participating in the FCS Tournament. I understand Game Times are set (Before we Sign up). **FCS FINAL 4 SHOWDOWN ONLY** accepts the 1st 4-Paid Teams in each age Division. I understand that Before and especially After EACH GAME, Teams are expected to be at EVENT HEADQUARTERS for Check-ins and SPECIAL AWARDS PRESENTATION (after). I understand that as a Coach, I will be participating in picking players from the opponents team. I understand that all teams participating must arrive no later than Friday. I further understand the failure to arrive on time may not allow the FCS to verify players ages, and team documents as a result the team was disqualified from the tournament. I understand the FCS Tournament begins on FRIDAY and continues through Sunday. I have discussed these rules and exceptions with the proper conduct of the FCS Tournament Participants including not limited to Coaches, Players, Parents & Spectators who may be attending as representatives of (My-Our) Team. And are hereby accepted.

HEAD COACH	DATE
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TEAM MOM	DATE
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**Game Times Before You sign up**  
**SPECIAL AWARDS EVERY GAME**

**GOLD CHAMPIONS** **SILVER CHAMPIONS**

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**GOLD RUNNER UP** **BRONZE CHAMPIONS**

*We only accept the*  
*1st 4-Teams in Each Bracket*  
*ALL seeding into the PIGSKIN*

# 8U DIVISION

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TEAM 1

SAT. 3:00pm

**A**

TEAM 2

TEAM 3

SAT. 4:45pm

**B**

TEAM 4

SUN. 11:30am

**GOLD CHAMPION**

*Winner is Gold Champion  
Loser is Runner-Up*



LOSER of A

SUN. 9:45am

**SILVER CHAMPION**

*Winner is Silver Champion  
Loser is Bronze*

LOSER of B



# 10U DIVISION

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TEAM 1

SAT. 11:30am

**A**

TEAM 2

TEAM 3

SAT. 1:15pm

**B**

TEAM 4

SUN. 1:15pm

**GOLD CHAMPION**

*Winner is Gold Champion  
Loser is Runner-Up*



LOSER of A

SUN. 8:00am

**SILVER CHAMPION**

*Winner is Silver Champion  
Loser is Bronze*

LOSER of B



# 12U DIVISION

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TEAM 1

SAT. 8:00am

**A**

TEAM 2

TEAM 3

SAT. 9:45am

**B**

TEAM 4

SUN. 3:00pm

**GOLD CHAMPION**

*Winner is Gold Champion  
Loser is Runner-Up*



LOSER of A

SAT. 8:15pm

**SILVER CHAMPION**

*Winner is Silver Champion  
Loser is Bronze*

LOSER of B



# 14U DIVISION

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TEAM 1

FRI. 6:00pm

**A**

TEAM 2

TEAM 3

FRI. 7:45pm

**B**

TEAM 4

SUN. 4:15pm

**GOLD CHAMPION**

*Winner is Gold Champion  
Loser is Runner-Up*



LOSER of A

SAT. 6:30pm

**SILVER CHAMPION**

*Winner is Silver Champion  
Loser is Bronze*

LOSER of B



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## TEAM CHECKLIST

**STEPS**

✓ **Date**

**Task**

**NOTES**

<b>STEP 1</b>	<b>REGISTER TEAM</b>		<b>ON-LINE FORM</b>	MUST FILL OUT ON-LINE FORM
<b>STEP 2</b>	<b>PAY TEAM ENTRY FEE</b>		<b>TEAM FEES</b>	TEAM FEE IS \$250 PER TEAM
<b>STEP 3</b>	<b>REGISTER WITH PARTNER HOTELS</b>		<b>HOST HOTEL</b>	(LINK ON WEBSITE)
<b>STEP 4</b>	<b>TEAM VERIFICATION SYSTEM</b>		<b>GOOGLE SHEET</b>	MUST FILL OUT
<b>STEP 5</b>	<b>PAY PLAYER FEES</b>		<b>PLAYER FEES</b>	ONLY \$25 IF STAYING AT HOST - IF NOT \$30
<b>STEP 6</b>	<b>SIGN WAIVER FORMS</b>		<b>WAIVER FORM</b>	MUST BE SIGNED BY PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN
<b>STEP 7</b>	<b>PRE-ORDER FOR DISCOUNTED ADMISSION</b>		<b>WEEKEND PASSES</b>	As a TEAM (14 Days in advance)
<b>STEP 8</b>	<b>PRE-ORDER FOR DISCOUNTED GEAR</b>		<b>EVENT GEAR</b>	SAVE UP TO 50%