



# **ATLANTA COLT YOUTH ASSOCIATION**

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## **2014 PARENT VOLUNTEER & INFORMATION MANUAL**



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## Thank you for Volunteering

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Welcome and thank you for your support of the Atlanta Colts Youth Association (ACYA). Our program has a longstanding tradition of parental involvement at many levels. We appreciate your willingness to step up, get involved and serve the kids. Your job as a parent volunteer is essential in assuring a strong and successful program this year!

Each team has a group of volunteers that work together to ensure everyone has a fun and enjoyable season. The Team Parent's role is to keep these volunteers and fellow parents informed about the team activities and needs. On the association website, [www.atlantacolts.com](http://www.atlantacolts.com), you will find volunteer position descriptions and many of the forms and links to information that you will need throughout the season.

Frequent communication and being a positive example for the kids is instrumental to providing the best experience possible for all of our ACYA families. We have several divisions within our program for football players and cheerleaders: Travel, Intra-league and Flag. Each of these divisions is equally important to the long term success of our organization. Whichever division your child participates in should be appropriate to their skill level and maximum enjoyment.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us. We are here as a resource. We value your time and energy and thank you again for helping making the season a success.

Go Teams!



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## ACYA Calendar – Important Dates/ Events

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### August

August 23 – Opening Day & Picture Day (tackle football teams)

- Team Photos beginning at 8:00 am; please check schedule for your tackle football team
- Opening Ceremonies begin at 10am
- Pee Wee and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Jamborees begin on Colt and Mustang Fields at 11:30am
- Colt Teams begin play on Colt and Mustang Fields at 1:30pm

### September

September 9 – Flag Football Begins

Cheer and Flag pictures – TBA

### October

October 14 – Columbus Day, schools closed

Homecoming Week – TBA

Bonfire – TBA

### November

Playoffs – TBA



## ACYA Auxiliary

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ACYA is a 100% volunteer association overseen by a Board of Directors. The ACYA Auxiliary provides vital support for the ongoing programs at the park. It also serves as the "hospitality arm" of the organization ensuring that each family is welcomed at the park. The ACYA Auxiliary is tasked with coordination and operation of special events that may include, but certainly not be limited to:

- In-park Registrations
- Opening Ceremonies
- Spirit Wear Sales
- Recycling Program
- Team/Squad Pictures
- Newspaper Articles
- Homecoming
- Trophy Coordination
- Sponsorship Support

The Auxiliary is a working group where each member is expected to fulfill his/her obligation with the group. Each member is also expected to help support other Auxiliary (and ACYA) activities to the best of their ability. The AYCA Auxiliary provides a unique opportunity to be involved at the park while meeting some great people!

Anyone interested in joining ACYA Auxiliary should visit the Spirit Shed or send an e-mail to [auxiliary@atlantacolts.com](mailto:auxiliary@atlantacolts.com).



## ACYA Contact Info

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Auxiliary Director:	TBD
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Green & Clean Coordinator:	
Homecoming Coordinators:	
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Trophy Coordinator:	
Media Coordinator:	

### ACYA Board of Directors (condensed)

Full list can be found online at <http://www.atlantacolts.com>

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## ACYA Intra-League Teams

League	Team Name	Head Coach
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	PW Redskins	Joshua Redding
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	PW Falcons	Brad Town
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	PW Giants	Scott Alterman
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	PW Panthers	Brandon Lewis
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	PW Texans	David Cooper
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	PW Titans	Brad Koontz
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dolphins	Brian Williams
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jets	Greg Self
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Patriots	Josh Nazarian
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Steelers	Andy Koehler
4 <sup>th</sup>	Broncos	Eric Clarkson
4 <sup>th</sup>	Browns	Phillip Juhan
4 <sup>th</sup>	Chargers	Matt Miller
4 <sup>th</sup>	Chiefs	Nick Hendricks
4 <sup>th</sup>	Raiders	Scott Schoenberg
4 <sup>th</sup>	Ravens	Nigel Fleming

League	Team Name	Head Coach
5 <sup>th</sup>	49ers	Tim Binder
5 <sup>th</sup>	Cardinals	Mike Tallent
5 <sup>th</sup>	Jaguars	Mike Strang
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rams	Josh Neel
5 <sup>th</sup>	Saints	Kevin Anderson
6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup>	Bears	Rick Clark
6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup>	Bucs	Ty Shek
6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup>	Lions	Rob Harris
6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup>	Packers	Gary Hunter
6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup>	Vikings	Steve Zoeller
8U/3 <sup>rd</sup>	D1 Travel	Melvin Farrington
9U/4 <sup>th</sup>	D1 Travel	Jeff Worth
10U/5 <sup>th</sup>	D1 Travel	Craig Kirkland
12U/6 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup>	D1 Travel	Kevin Hunter



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## Weather Warning System

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All families should sign up for the ACYA text message alert system. A link can be found on the ACYA website on the left side of this page, under Resources. ACYA will text all weather related announcements. Standard text message charges apply. Families can also sign up for Email Alerts by going to the "Email Signup" link also under Resources.

No weather event is more dangerous than lightning. Because of this threat, ACYA in coordination with MCLL and MCGSA have installed the Thorguard Lightning Prediction System. This system can provide advance warning of a lightning hazard, allowing you the time to seek shelter. The system continually monitors and evaluates the electrostatic atmosphere and predicts the probability of a lightning hazard in our area. It also provides information of the risk in the immediate area of our facility.

You will be alerted by one loud horn blast that will last **15 seconds**. **UPON HEARING THE HORNS, EVERYONE SHOULD SEEK SHELTER IMMEDIATELY.** When this occurs, strobe lights attached to the horns will activate and remain active while under a weather alert. The lights are mounted on Colt Stadium and a score board near the lower baseball fields.

Every attempt should be made to seek shelter in a safe environment. The Thorguard system will determine when conditions are safe to return to your previous activities. **Three 5-second** blasts will indicate that everything is all clear and the strobe lights will cease operation.

### SEEK SHELTER IN PERMANENT BUILDINGS OR VEHICLES

**AVOID:**

- ATHLETIC FIELDS, BLEACHERS & DUGOUTS
- METAL RAILINGS AND FENCING
- OPEN AREAS
- BODIES OF WATER
- DOORS & WINDOWS
- ISOLATED TREES
- HIGH ELEVATIONS



## Parking Details

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### Drop Off Line

If you want to drop your children off before parking, be prepared prior to entering the parking lot and pull to the front of the carpool lane. Children should have all gear either on or in their lap as you pull up to the drop off line. Drivers will not be allowed to get out of their car at drop off. This will help keep the drop off line moving. Throughout the season, ACYA will hire off-duty police officers to assist with traffic on high volume days.

Please carpool and arrive early.

**DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR VEHICLE!** Cars have been broken into, even with the police presence.

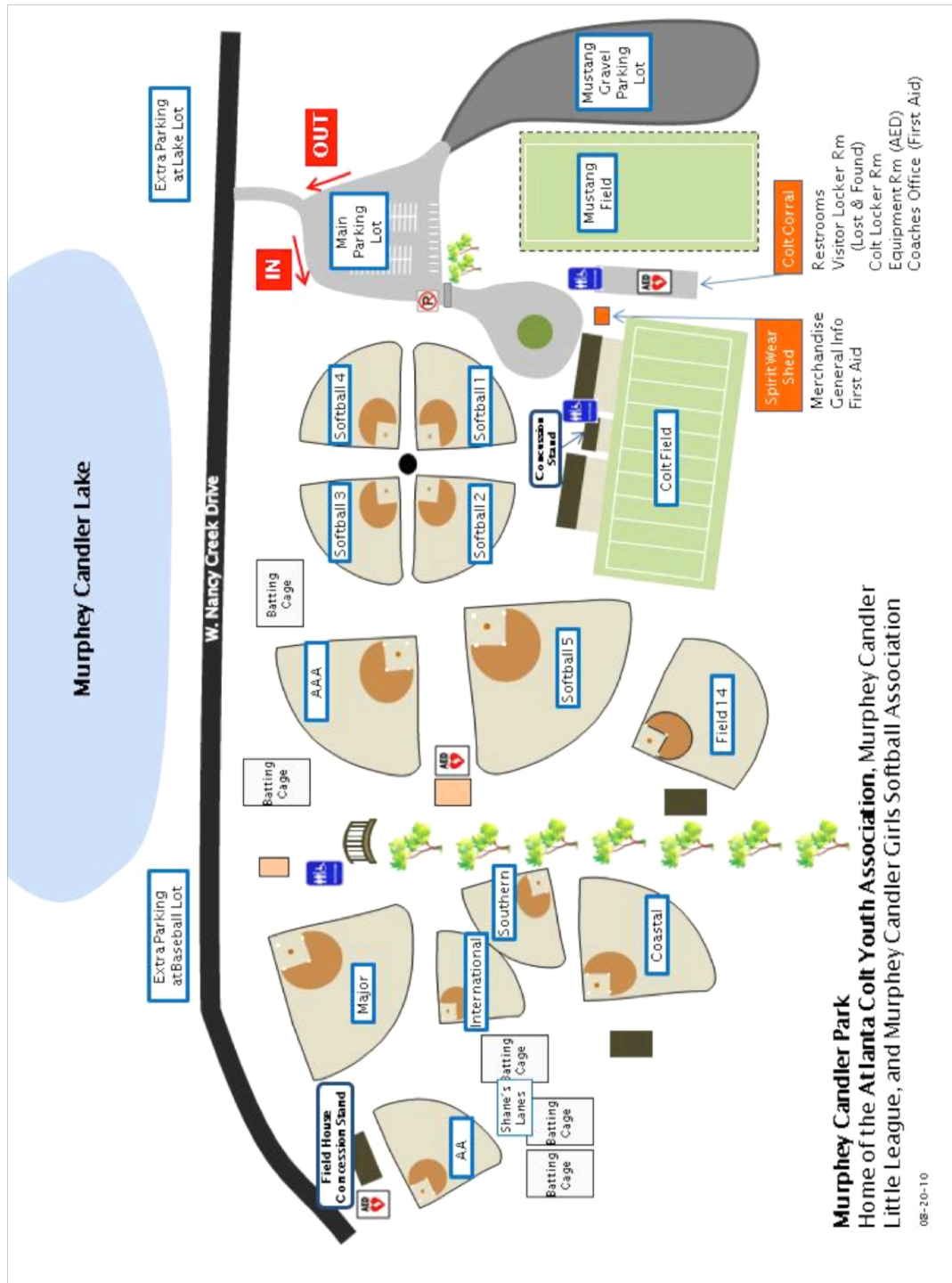
As with many local parks, we are located adjacent to a neighborhood. Please be respectful of our neighbors, honor all No-Parking signs, and follow the parking rules listed below. Parking is available in the main lot, as well as a secondary lot, adjacent to the baseball complex and at Murphey Candler pool. There is also parking available by the big soccer field.

Please remember the following:

- Please be cognizant of "No Parking" Zones. Brookhaven Police will ticket illegally parked cars.
- Please do not park within 3 car lengths of an intersection (even when a "No Parking" sign is not present)
- Please do not park on vegetation
- Please park in designated parking areas only.
- When parking on side streets where parking is permitted, please be aware that cars can be parked **ON ONLY ONE** side of the street. The first car to park, establishes the side on which cars can be lawfully parked.



# DETAILED MAP OF MURPHEY CANDLER





## IL/ Colt Team & Squad Parent Checklist

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- ☐ Ask your coach how he would like to handle communication with the parents. Some prefer to be the main communicator with parents while others rely on the team parent to communicate with the families.
- ☐ Recruit volunteers for open positions. The coach should recruit volunteers when he first contacts each family. Any open positions must be filled before team jerseys will be distributed.
- ☐ Pick up team jerseys. Work with coach to size jerseys to players.
- ☐ Have last names put on the back of the jerseys and distribute to players.
- ☐ Collect team dues and serve as team treasurer.
- ☐ Remind volunteers of their scheduled duties.
- ☐ Remind team of upcoming events.

## Volunteer Positions and Responsibilities

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Each football team needs to have the following volunteers:

- ☐ Chain Gang (3 people)
- ☐ Clock Operator (Away)
- ☐ Field Representative
- ☐ Game Announcer (Home)
- ☐ Team Parent
- ☐ Game Day Water/Snack Coordinator
- ☐ Homecoming Liaison
- ☐ Keep the Park Green & Recycling Coordinator
- ☐ Team Reporter
- ☐ Media Parent
- ☐ Picture Parent
- ☐ Trophy & Party Parent

On the following pages are descriptions for each position that can be provided to the volunteer. This information is also available on the website.



# Volunteer Details

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**\*The HOME team is listed SECOND on the schedule**

**Chains Gang (HOME)** – 3 people - volunteers hold the first down marker and chains on the sidelines during HOME games. Chain Gang must be on the same side of the field as their team – across the field from the stands. It requires 3 people per game to run the chains (2) and downs marker (1).

**Clock Operator (AWAY)** – Operates the game clock when the team is the “away” team. The clock operator must be an adult.

**Field Representative (HOME)** – On game days (including Opening Ceremonies), when needed, helps prepare the field for the game. If the team has the first/last game of the day, the field representative should assist the Officer on Duty (OD) in setting up and returning the orange end zone pylons (8), goal post pads (2), chains and down markers. On Mustang Field, this includes setting up or returning the P.A. equipment and toggle box for controlling the scoreboard to the equipment room. This needs to be coordinated with the O.D. check for any equipment or personal items that the team may have left behind. For Opening Ceremonies, please gather your team in the appropriate staging area on Mustang Field.

**Game Announcer (HOME)** – Announces Home games. There will be a binder for each field which includes a roster of each team, including cheerleaders if applicable. *The Announcer should read the Park Sponsors at least once during the game.* This can be done during time outs or between quarters. The Announcer should be non-biased and recognize the successes of both teams.

- Try to announce each player’s name during the game.
- If the team has cheerleaders, announce the girls, by name, when they come out of on the field at half time.
- You can play music, as appropriate, throughout the game. The music must be suitable for all ages.

**Team Parent** - Serves as a support to the coach, resource for the team’s parents and liaison between the team and ACYA. Manage volunteers for the team and keep an updated roster for the game announcer in the press box.

**Game Day Water Parent** – If requested by the coach, ensure that water is available for players during the game. Some teams purchase a set of water bottles or provide a cooler and cups at the sideline. Also, depending on the coach, provide a healthy snack, such as oranges, for the players during and after the game. This duty can be shared across all parents on the team.

**Homecoming Liaison** – Inform your team about all Homecoming events and coordinating money for raffle ticket sales, pre-paid dinner reservations and wrist bands. This person will also volunteer to help on homecoming day where needed. The Coordinator will be contacting the liaisons and setting a meeting date shortly.

**Picture Parent** – Assist your team during the picture taking process including notification of the time, date and location of your team and individual photos.



**Recycle/Keep the Park Green Rep** – Two times during the season, each league will be responsible for collecting the recycle bags and placing them in the designated area. The recycle parent will get the replacement bags from the visitor locker room and ensure their team participated in the clean up before or after practice one night during that week. Remind parents and players to clean up after themselves at practices and games. Remind players and coaches to check the sidelines for any debris left after practices or games.

**Team Reporter** – submits one article to the Dunwoody Crier, Brookhaven Buzz and Dunwoody & Brookhaven Reporter newspapers on your team's assigned week. This is done once in the season and a template will be distributed to help with the article.

**Media Parent** – Completes roster and distribute team roster card with player's name, jersey number and contact info to other parents. (Laminate for durability) Contacts cheer coach to get a cheer roster and coordinate other events. Communicate practice and game schedule changes to parents. Place a complete roster sheet in the announcer books for each field. Include the league name, team name, player's name and number (LIST IN NUMERICAL ORDER), coach's names and cheerleader's names.

ACYA has arranged for all games to be recorded by and uploaded to a website called Hudl. The costs associated with this service are covered through your registration fees. If the coach needs help creating a highlight video, please be ready to assist or find someone who can.

**Trophy and Party Parent** – Orders team trophies, schedules team party and coordinates run through banners with cheerleaders and parents (4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grader). Some coaches may not want to use the run through banner – check on this first.



## Green & Clean Program

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### Show a little *Park Love!*

Every day the park is open, an auxiliary member will make the rounds to encourage folks to take care of our park. We have enough folks on this G&C committee to sign up for only ONE DAY PER SEASON! AMAZING – the easiest volunteer duty ever. If you are the G&C person for your team, we will ask that you help put in one extra day during the Homecoming week since there are lots of posters and outside food vendors and parties to manage. A sign up genius will be forthcoming.

If you are assuming this duty for your 1 or 2 days, you will

First, wear your ACYA shirt!

Second, stop by the Visitor's Locker Room and get some gloves and a trash bag and ACYA *Park Love!* stickers. Peek in the bathrooms (and send a boy or man in the other bathroom) and make sure they are presentable and have adequate supplies. If not, we will have a point person to contact on the board to handle that duty.

Stop by the concessions window and make sure they have bags to change out the cans at the end of the night. Circle all the fields that players are on – some include softball and baseball fields and definitely the Colts and Mustang fields.

Have the parents and kids throw trash in your bag or in cans.

If a can or recycling receptacle is looking full, don't be afraid to ask a coach or dad or big kid to empty it for you. This is their park too. Have them Show some *Park Love!*

As a thank you give them a *Park Love!* sticker

If there is a game going on, you will head to the PA announcer on both the Mustang and Colt fields. At halftime and the end of the game, make sure the announcer plays the 60 second music clip (we will provide) and encourage the people in the stand to take 60 seconds to throw away their trash during the music. Apply peer pressure. Then run around the stands and hand out Park Love stickers to those who cooperate. If there are two games on that field on your night, if you can stick around, great. If not, please ask the new announcer to play the clip and have folks pick up.

Each coach will be made aware of our efforts. HOWEVER, THEY WILL STILL BE ASKED TO HAVE THEIR TEAMS CLEAN UP THEIR AREAS. You will just make sure they follow through. View yourself as a park ambassador to help delegate and involve folks.

Show some *Park Love!*

***Please remind children not to reach into any garbage cans/bags since they don't know what is in there. Also remind them to wash their hands after they are done.***

Green & Clean Coordinator: TBA



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## TEAM Dues Recommendation

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### Flag \$20:

This covers roster cards, end of year party, coaches' gift, homecoming donation, jersey lettering, game banner.

### Intra-League Football - \$50 to \$60

This covers roster cards, end of year party, coaches' gifts, homecoming donation, and jersey lettering. If you team orders game pants and/or socks, the cost should be added to team dues.

### Optional Additional Player Awards:

Please consult your coach when deciding to order additional trophies for your team. Each team is provided 4 trophies: (1) Best Defense, (1) Best Offense, (1) Best Lineman and (1) Coaches Award. In addition, each player is given a novelty item at the end of the season.

### Intra-League - \$45 and Colt Cheer - \$50

This covers the banner supplies, coach's gifts, homecoming donations, homecoming flowers and end of season party.

### Division I \$65 to \$75:

This covers roster cards, end of year party, coaches gift, homecoming donation & player meal ticket, jersey lettering, bag lettering, socks, book printing/copying, game day items (plastic carrier & water bottles-2 sets), and other items. (T-shirts or football pants that are special ordered will be an additional cost)

### **Sample Budget for IL Team Dues (assuming 15 players per team):**

Roster Cards: **\$30**

Lettering for Jerseys (using 7 letters as average for a last name):  $7 \times \$0.55 = \$3.85 \times 15 \text{ players} = \mathbf{\$57.75}$

Coaches Gifts: **\$100**

Homecoming Donation: **\$50**

End of Season Party: **\$120**

**Total = \$457.75 divided by 15 players**

Note: all players will be getting a participation gift from ACYA at the end of the season.

\*This is strictly to be used as a guide. Some teams could have additional or lower or higher expenses than shown here.



## Team Roster & Volunteer Info Form

Grade/League: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Order First and Last Name	Jersey Number

Position	Volunteer's Name	Email Address
Head Coach		
Assistant Coach		
Assistant Coach		
Team Parent		
Homecoming Liaison		
Game Announcer (Home)		
Clock Operator (Away)		
Chains Coordinator (Home)		
Team Reporter		
Field Representative		
Recycling Coordinator		
Trophy/ Party Coordinator		

# Announcer Sheets

**(Insert TEAM name) Roster**

<b>Jersey # (in order)</b>	<b>Player Name</b>		<b>Cheerleader</b>
<b>Head Coach</b>			<b>Head Cheer Coach</b>

**\*Make two copies: (1) for Colt field and (1) for Mustang field announcer books.** Bring copies to the Shack prior to the start of the season to be inserted into the books.



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## Jersey Lettering, Equipment & Banners

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### ***JERSEY LETTERING***

Play It Again Sport, Buckhead - <http://www.playitagainsportsbuckhead.com>

3872 Roswell Road Atlanta, GA 30342 404-257-0229

\$4.00 per jersey

**Barbara Spearman**, [thespearmans@earthlink.net](mailto:thespearmans@earthlink.net), (770) 410-0061.

Barbara and her husband operate this business and have a drop-off and pick-up location in Dunwoody. See separate flyer.

### ***EQUIPMENT***

**Mouthguards** are required for all football players at ALL practices and games and can be purchased for \$2 at the spirit wear shed.

**Jerseys** – Your team may or may not have extra jerseys. Extra jerseys must be returned to the equipment room or they may be purchase by parents for \$10 – please bring the money to the hut. We may also have extra jerseys from previous years for sale please come check.

**End of season** – It is up to each team to have ALL players turn in helmets and shoulder pads to the equipment room immediately following their last game of the season. No equipment should go home with a player if they have played their final game.

### ***RUN THROUGH BANNERS***

Paint, brushes and paper supplies are in the Visitor's locker room for the Opening Game, Homecoming Game and Playoff Games. NO other games should have homemade run through banners. Permanent run through banners for I/L are in the specially marked bin in the Colt locker room and should be returned as soon as the players run through it. Colt permanent banners should be returned to the coaches. These banners are to be used ONLY for teams with cheerleaders. During Homecoming week there will be a "Plaster the Park" contest with individual banners. The homecoming liaison will be getting information to share with the team on this.



# Opening Ceremonies – Saturday, Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00 a.m.

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## Arrival and Attire

- Arrive and line up on Mustang Field at 9:00 a.m.
- Players should be in full uniform, including pads and helmets (T-shirts for Flag).
- Cheerleaders should wear their GAME uniforms.

## Line-Up:

- Please follow the attached map which is also on the Atlanta Colt website to see where your team should line up on Mustang Field. Flag teams will line up on the back side of Colt field. Cheerleaders will be told by their coach where to meet.
- A color coded sign will indicate where each league's designated staging area is located.

League	Sign Color	League	Sign Color
Flag	Blue (back of Colt field)	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Green
Pee Wee	Yellow	6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Black
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Red	Colt Football	Orange
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Gray		

- Women's Auxiliary members will assist the teams and their coaches onto Colt field from Mustang field once they are called.
- The teams will enter Colt field from oldest to the youngest and alphabetically by team. Colt teams will enter last.

## Parking: Carpool!!!

## Post-Ceremony Pick Up:

- Parents of I/L cheerleaders should pick them up on Colt field by the goal post.
- Parents of Flag players should pick their players up on Colt field at center field.
- All other parents should make arrangements to meet their children off field.

## Refreshments: Concessions will be open with a full menu.

**Rain out information:** Changes to the Opening Day ceremony plan will be announced prior to 8:00 a.m. Please also watch for updated text messages or check the website in the event of inclement weather.



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## Photos for IL Individual & Team

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**DATES: AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup> – TACKLE FOOTBALL; FLAG & SQUAD: TBD/ MAKE-UP DATE: TBD**

*Paper forms will not be handed out. Forms are available on the ACYA website and should be downloaded and filled out prior to arriving at the park for pictures.*

### General Information:

- Have parents fill out the form (with payment) prior to arriving at the park for pictures. Individual photos will NOT be taken without payment.
- Complimentary team photos will be placed in the photo bundle that the team parent picks up and distributes to families. These can be used for the coaches if desired.
- Sibling photos: Siblings can have their photos taken together during either/any of their designated photo days/times. Both children would still need to attend their scheduled team photo date so not to be left out of the team photo. Also, please be considerate of the coaches and their valuable practice time so as not to disrupt a team's practice to pull a child out for photos.
- Once the schedule is published, if you have any changes or conflicts or product questions, please contact the photographer directly: Beverly & Bruce Kramer @ Photo-Ventures, (678) 878-1865.
- Because team photos are taken outdoors, we are reliant on cooperative weather. We do not have an adequate indoor space to take photos. Occasionally picture dates do have to be rescheduled due to inclement weather.

### On Picture Day:

- Please have your players and cheerleaders come to the park in full uniform.
- Parents and children should arrive in the photo area (designated by a tent) 15 minutes prior to their stated picture time.
- We ask that ONLY the Picture parent volunteer and coaches follow the players to the photo area to avoid distractions and keep the process moving. Please help us enforce this with your picture parent.
- When arriving, please have all your players/cheerleaders line up with their envelopes in hand. When your ENTIRE TEAM present, please let the photographer's assistant know.
- It takes 15-20 minutes to photograph each team after the full team is ready and checked in.

### Following Picture Day:

- Pictures will be returned to the park for pick up 2-3 weeks after the photos are taken. You will be notified via email when they are ready for pickup and distribution.
- A make-up photo day will be scheduled for those who need to retake their photos.

**Picture Day Coordinator: Penny Burnett, penny@atlantacolts.com.**



## ACYA Homecoming Week

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### TBA - October

Every season ACYA hosts a week of homecoming events at the park, similar to those held at the local high school. The regular season game played by each team during the week is their “homecoming” game and features banners, individual posters, goodie bags and half-time announcements. The week will culminate in a park-wide homecoming celebration with a bonfire on Friday night and a full slate of games on Saturday. A pre-homecoming meeting will be held to coordinate with the volunteers from each team and squad.

#### Specifics:

- Homecoming Games. During halftime, the players and cheerleaders (if applicable) are recognized. Following the game, the players & cheerleaders receive goodie bags. Balloons are available for each team to decorate the stands in their team colors on the evening of their game. Parents are encouraged to make individual player/cheerleader posters that “Plaster the Park” throughout the week.
- Plaster the Park - Parents are encouraged to make individual player/cheerleader posters and hang them around the park throughout the week.
- Banners. There are two banners per team featured during homecoming. The first banner is part of a park-wide competition and will be hung on the inside of Colt field. The second banner is the run-through banner the team will use during their homecoming game.
- Bonfire & Saturday Festival. Make plans now to attend these fun-filled activities for the entire family, in addition to the scheduled football games for the day. More details to come.
- Raffle. Details of the raffle are still being finalized. Players do not have to sell raffle tickets.
- Donations. Each team donates a gift card, beverages and candy. The Homecoming Liaison for each team will coordinate these items.

Homecoming coordinators: TBA