

## **OCONEE COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

### **PLAYER EVALUATIONS AND DRAFT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

#### **Player Evaluations**

1. Players are provided an evaluation jersey that has a number on it that corresponds to the players' names on the evaluation roster.
2. All players run through a set of skill drills.
3. Volunteer coaches and at least one OCPRD staff evaluate the players on the skills performed in the drills on a scale of 1 to 4 with 4 being the highest skill level.
4. Once a player has completed the skill drills, the player is finished with the evaluation.

#### **Evaluation Process**

1. Coaches should arrive 15 minutes prior to evaluation start time for the league.
2. Coaches are supplied with a numbered roster with the age and player name.
3. Coaches rate each player in the skill drills on a scale of 1 to 4.
4. For administrative drafts, all evaluation sheets will be collected by OCPRD staff after evaluations have concluded, and will not be allowed to be retained by coaches.

#### **Head Coach Draft Procedures**

1. Drafts are held immediately following player evaluations with head coaches and OCPRD staff.
2. Drafts are supervised and directed by OCPRD staff.
3. No player or assistant coach requests will be allowed.
4. Each volunteer head coach draws a number to determine the draft order.
5. Coaches will be seated in the draft order, left to right.
6. A consensus among coaches and staff is made to determine the final rating for each player.
7. Regarding players absent from evaluations; if no coach/staff are familiar with the player, he/she will be placed in a hat and drawn for placement on teams in order of the draft or randomly assigned to a roster after all present players have been assigned to a team.
8. During the first round of the draft, players will be selected from coach number 1, then 2, and so forth. During the second round of the draft, players will be selected in reverse draft order.  
Example: Round 1- pick in order 1,2,3,4—Round 2 – 4,3,2,1—Round 3 – 1,2,3,4.  
Sequence will continue with each additional draft round.
9. Players will be drafted based on the evaluation rating starting with all the 4's, then 3's, then 2's and finally the 1's.
10. Only the head coach's children will be automatically placed on his/her team. There will be no other players that will be automatically placed on a team. Head coaches' children will be evaluated and picked as the first player of their evaluation number.  
Example: If a head coach has a child that is rated as a 3, then the coach must pick his/her child during the first round of the 3 ratings.
11. Unless requested differently by the parents, all siblings within the same age group must be placed on the same team. Coaches must draft siblings during the rounds of the player's rating.
12. Once players are drafted, rosters will be entered and distributed to coaches. Rosters will include players' contact information.
13. All evaluation sheets will be collected by OCPRD staff and will not be allowed to be retained by coaches.
14. Coaches must refrain from sharing any rating information with others outside of the draft room.

### **Head Coach Draft Policies**

1. Coaches are not permitted to switch players after the selection process is complete.
2. In the event of late enrollments, OCPRD staff will assign the new enrollees to teams in the order of the draft.
3. No special requests will be honored. Only exception is for siblings in the same age group.
4. Only assistant coaches with no child participating will be allowed in the draft room.

### **Administrative Draft Procedures**

1. All evaluation sheets will be collected by OCPRD staff, after evaluations have concluded, and will not be allowed to be retained by coaches.
2. Drafts are held immediately following player evaluations with OCPRD staff.
3. Drafts are supervised and directed by the Program Coordinator.
4. A consensus among staff is made to determine the final rating for each player.
5. Players will be drafted based on the average of all evaluation scores starting with all the 4's, then 3's, then 2's and finally the 1's.
6. Only the head coach's and up to 1 assistant coach's children will be automatically placed on his/her team.
7. Staff will then assign the children of head coaches and assistant coaches to their respective teams. Those players' evaluation scores will dictate how the remaining roster will be drafted so that all rosters are balanced. ***For example, if the Head Coach's child of Team A is rated a 5 and his/her Assistant Coach's child is a 4, then every other team will receive a player rated 5 and 4 before Team A receives another player rated a 5 and/or 4.***
8. Regarding players absent from evaluations; if no coach/staff are familiar with the player, he/she will be randomly assigned to a roster after all present players have been assigned to a team.
9. Unless requested differently by the parents, all siblings within the same age group must be placed on the same team.
10. Staff must refrain from sharing any rating information with others outside of the draft room.

### **Administrative Draft Policies**

1. Staff will draft teams based on the average of all evaluation scores.
2. In the event of late enrollments, OCPRD staff will assign the new enrollees to teams after all present players have been assigned to a team.
3. A request for 1 pre-approved assistant coach will be allowed. No additional special requests will be honored.
4. Unless requested differently by the parents, all siblings within the same age group must be placed on the same team.

### **After Draft**

1. Rosters will be entered and distributed to coaches. Rosters will include players' contact information.
2. Coaches should contact parents within 48 hours of the draft (email and phone call recommended).
3. If a coach is unable to contact parents, he/she should contact OCPRD to ensure contact information is correct.
4. Coaches should hold a team meeting at the first practices and encourage a team parent to get involved with any snack schedule, trophies, etc.
5. If a player drops from a team, coach should notify OCPRD immediately.

Evaluations and drafts are held to equalize teams for competition. Our priority is parity within each league; based on ability, years of experience, and age of each participant. To accomplish this, the following procedures will be used for each league and age group:

### **Youth Basketball**

Mite (Ages 7-8) – Pee Wee (Ages 9-10):

- Evaluations
- Administrative draft
- Requests for 1 Assistant Coach allowed

Minor (Age 11) – Senior (Ages 13-14):

- Evaluations
- Head Coach draft
- NO requests allowed

### **Youth Flag Football**

Micro (Ages 5-6):

- No evaluations
- Administrative draft
- Requests for 1 Assistant Coach allowed

Mite (Ages 7-8):

- Evaluations
- Administrative draft
- Requests for 1 Assistant Coach allowed

Pee Wee (Ages 9-10) – Major (11-12)

- Evaluations
- Administrative draft
- Requests for 1 Assistant Coach allowed

### **Youth Soccer**

U6-U8:

- No evaluations
- Administrative draft
- Requests for 1 Assistant Coach allowed

U10:

- Evaluations
- Administrative draft
- Requests for 1 Assistant Coach allowed

U12-U15:

- Evaluations
- Head Coach draft
- NO requests allowed

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### **DRAFT PROCEDURES**

#### Draft Procedure Outline

- Thank Coaches for Volunteering
- Introductions
- Vegas Rule
- Explain Draft Procedures (1-2-3-4-4-3-2-1, etc.)
- Ratings (Consensus and Review)
- Note Coach Child/Siblings (Must draft child first round of child's rating and/or sibling)
- No player or assistant coach requests will be allowed.
- Complete and Distribute Rosters
- Explain various rosters (Payee name with home #, work # and email, emergency contact and #)
- Collect all evaluation forms and draft sheets from coaches
- Set Practice Times and Locations
- Remind Coaches to contact parents within 1-2 days with team/practice info
- Coach Application/CHC (All head and assistant coaches, including any coaches added later)
- Obtain all coaches' email addresses
- NYSCA – Time and Dates: \_\_\_\_\_
- Coach Clinic – Time and Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Coach/Parent Information – Rules, Schedules, etc. will be posted on the website
- Equipment Bags, First Aid, etc.
- Lanyards & Badges
- Water/Hydration Reminder – (Heat Safety Policy/Lightning Policy)
- Encourage Team Parent Meeting at beginning of season (assist coach, snacks, trophies)
- Reminder – If child drops from team, notify OCPRD
- Website Info
- Weather Hotline – 706-769-3965 (Select option #2)