



## 2019 Fall Season Opening Weekend

### Here's what you'll need to wear and what you may need to pick up before the season begins:

We'll provide each player with a jersey that is yours to keep! Once your team is assigned a color and chooses a team name, your team may decide to order coordinating socks and/or other "accessories."

Here's what you'll need to have ahead of time:

- **Cleats: Non-metal cleats only.**
- **Gloves:** Many players find it easier to catch the ball using gloves. These are optional.
- **Pocketless shorts or pants:** For the safety of our players, you cannot participate if your shorts or pants have pockets or belt loops. If you have pockets, people can jam and break their fingers while trying to grab your flags.

### Saturday, August 24 – New Player Orientation & Scrimmages

This event is required for all players new to the league. Returning players are welcome to join. This is your opportunity to learn about the game, including basic rules and skills, and meet our captains and board. *If you are a new player unable to attend, please send us a message ([info@pvdgffl.org](mailto:info@pvdgffl.org)) to make arrangements for an alternative orientation.*

**Non-players** are not required to attend on 8/24 but are welcome to come hang out with us at the fields and Grid Iron after the scrimmage games. A separate non-player orientation will be held on 9/7 at 9:00 AM, more information will be sent in advance.

Orientation will be held at the fields we play at each Saturday:

**North County Club Field (180 Monroe St., Warwick, RI 02888)**

<b>8:30 – 9:00 AM</b>	Check-in for all captains, and players participating in the quarterback clinic
<b>9:00 – 10:00 AM</b>	Quarterback clinic (a separate email with instructions will be sent by John Zajicek to all players who expressed interest)
<b>10:00 – 10:30 AM</b>	Check-in for all players; meet-and-greet with board members and captains
<b>10:30 – 11:00 AM</b>	Warm-ups and welcome remarks
<b>11:00 – 11:40 AM</b>	Orientation session 1 (offense or defense)
<b>11:50 – 12:30 PM</b>	Orientation session 2 (offense or defense)
<b>12:30 – 2:00 PM</b>	Scrimmage games
<b>2:00 PM</b>	League social at Grid Iron Ale House & Grille (optional)

## Sunday, August 25 – Meet Your Team and Season Kickoff Party

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Players and non-players join us from **2:00 – 4:00pm at the Rooftop at Providence G** (61 Orange St, Providence, RI 0290). You do not want to miss this! Join us to find out which team you are on and meet your captain and fellow teammates. There will be a team building competition to determine the order teams will select their jersey colors, along with a prize from G Pub.

## Fall Season Dates and Information

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### Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> – Pre-Season Scrimmage Games

We encourage all players to join us on 9/7 for scrimmage games. This is another opportunity to learn about the game, including basic rules and skills, and participate in practice games before the regular season begins. Your captain will let you know when your team is scheduled to play. Game times will be 8:30, 9:45, 11:00, and 12:15.

After the scrimmages we'll all head over to our official "after games hangout" the **Grid Iron Ale House & Grille** (1599 Post Rd, Warwick, RI 02888) for food, drinks, and community-building!

### Regular Season Dates

Our regular season begins Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> and continues until Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> (playoffs and championship game). There are no games on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

All games will be played at North Country Club Field and will start at 8:30am, 9:45am, 11:00am, and 12:15pm. The game schedule will be available on our website after the Meet Your Team Party.

After the games each week we'll all head over to our official "after games hangout" the Grid Iron Ale House & Grille (1599 Post Rd, Warwick, RI 02888) for food, drinks, and community-building!

**Game schedules, scores, and rules can be found on our website, under the "Player Info" section.**

### League Events

We have several social events planned for the fall season, and we'll be adding more.

Event calendar and information is posted to our website: [www.pvdgffl.org/events](http://www.pvdgffl.org/events)

### Volunteer Opportunities

Giving back will be at the heart of everything we do. In addition to football, our league has engaged with other area non-profit organizations to donate time and resources to improve the lives of LGBTQ+ people in Rhode Island. We are working to identify additional volunteer opportunities; we have several planned for the fall season already.

To volunteer please visit our website and RSVP: [www.pvdgffl.org/volunteerism](http://www.pvdgffl.org/volunteerism)