



December 7, 2018

**First 2 Sentences of our PRSI By-Laws read:**

The purposes of the Corporation are to provide the youth in the Park Ridge area with an opportunity to participate in sports without regard to their ability and to combat juvenile delinquency by educating the youth in sportsmanship and good citizenship. All funds received shall be expended toward such program and no part of any funds received shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder, member individual.

Parents of Park Ridge Football & Cheer, a/k/a  
Park Ridge Sports, Inc.

Dear Family, Friends and Neighbors,

Football is still the most popular youth sport in America, yet we are in a critical time of reflection and progression given the science and health factors associated with a sport many of us grew up playing and still love today. As the 51 year old Park Ridge area leader in youth tackle football, cheer, and flag football, our volunteers understand, share, and have attempted to address both positives and negatives by offering rather agnostic "Parent and Player" choices – and then focusing on 4 guiding principles as a 13 person Board and your Park District Affiliate:

- **Safety** – Teaching athletes how to perform at a high level without damaging their bodies as student athletes.
- **Fun** – Engaging Coaches to make certain the season is fun and exciting for ALL athletes in ALL programs.
- **Skill Development** – Focusing on USA Football initiatives in both Rookie Tackle and Flag football.
- **Focus on Education** – Developing a \$1000 annual 'Honor Roll' scholarship program from private funds/donors.

With an annual budget of \$200,000 to support ~1000 youth athletes (~\$200 average), we have our work cut out to raise the funds necessary to cover the annual expenses while investing in new safety-related equipment. Our Board also feels all children should be able to participate in one of our programs regardless of disabilities or income, and offer a hardship scholarship for in-need families. Just in 2019, we could use ~\$10,000 to order some new helmets – among other things.

So with the Holidays and end of the year financial planning underway - and if you want to anonymously support our Programs beyond 'pay to play', then please send a donation via check to: Park Ridge Sports, Inc., PO Box 273, Park Ridge, IL 60068. **Park Ridge Sports, Inc. is a tax-exempt 501-(c)-3 organization with a tax identification number of 23-7260020.** In general and as you may know, an individual who itemizes deductions may deduct contributions to most charitable organizations up to 50% (60% for cash contributions) % of his or her adjusted gross income. I've attached details from the IRS for you and your tax advisor's consideration.

I would like to personally thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I hope you will consider helping our community's volunteers keep Football & Cheer athletics safer, stronger, and first class for years to come!

You can also keep up with our progress by visiting our Program's website at <http://www.prfootball.com>.

Rob Leach  
PRSI Treasurer and Coach



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