

Football Saskatchewan Fall Extra Point

Membership Update

The summer of 2024 once again saw Saskatchewan shine at the top, or close to it, across all levels of football in Canada! The quality of play throughout the province has reached unprecedented heights. Huge congratulations to every player, coach, official, administrator, and league organizer—despite all the challenges, we've come back stronger than ever! Incredible work, everyone! The results speak for themselves, with Saskatchewan claiming victories in these major events this summer:

- U16 Football Canada Western Challenge Champions
- U16 Female Elite All-Star Flag Champions

We also proudly secured second and third place finishes in the following competitions:

- U18 Western Showcase (2nd)
- U16 Female Club Flag Nationals (2nd)
- U18 Female Club Flag Nationals (2nd)
- U18 Female Elite All-Star Flag Nationals (3rd)
- U19 Female Elite All-Star Flag Nationals (3rd)

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Affiliation Fee Breakdown

Football Saskatchewan is the sport governing body for amateur football in Saskatchewan. Our organization encompasses all aspects of amateur football including: minor, high school, junior, university, officiating, flag, and touch football. It is the intent of this e-letter to encourage all member associations in Saskatchewan to continue affiliating with Football Saskatchewan and become active partners in the continued development of football in Saskatchewan.

To affiliate your team or league with Football Saskatchewan you must do three things:

- 1) Complete the ONLINE league & roster form at https://app.teamlinkt.com/group_register/find/footballsaskatchewan
- 2) Upload your team / league roster including all coaches and support staff.
- 3) Pay a per player fee based on your group. For 2024 they are as follows:

TACKLE:

- MINOR - \$40/pp **
- HIGH SCHOOL - \$20/pp **
- ELITE (Jr, University, Sr. Women's) - \$39/pp
- ** MAP ELIGIBLE

NON-CONTACT:

- YOUTH/ADULT FLAG - \$35/pp **
- YOUTH/ADULT TOUCH - \$30/pp **
- ** YOUTH FLAG/TOUCH MAP ELIGIBLE



OFFICIALS:

- FOA's - \$35/pp
- Non FOA - \$25/pp

The DEADLINE to affiliate is OCTOBER 4th, 2024. (Please note there is NO charge for Coaches or Support Staff but they must be included on the Rosters and in the Registration) As a member of Football Saskatchewan you will receive a number of benefits, I have outlined a few below: you will have access to our football resources, Annual Coaches Clinic, be insured under our \$10,000,000 liability insurance policy, accident insurance for each player (except HS), access to the coaches NCCP certification program, FREE equipment inspections, MAP grants, reduced rates for extra accident insurance if needed (additional through AON), ability to apply for GRANTS provided through being a member (Capital Projects & Equipment Grants).

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Funding & Grant Programs

Membership Assistance Program (MAP) & Other Grants Programs

Football Saskatchewan will provide grants to all eligible football programs that affiliate with Football Saskatchewan. They are denoted above (Minor, HS, Youth Flag & Touch). All of those leagues will be eligible for a MAP grant. The funds come from three sources: Sask Sport's membership assistance program fund, the Saskatchewan Roughrider Football Club and Football Saskatchewan. It is the intention of the Directors of Football Saskatchewan to allocate some funds directly to our affiliated members. MAP grants will be paid out per player registered with Football Saskatchewan, the total amounts will be determined following the OCTOBER 4th deadline. Go online to fill out the membership assistance program spending & follow-up report, please complete BOTH these online forms detailing how the grant would be spent, i.e. equipment, travel, etc. Please make sure you complete BOTH in its entirety. Sask Sport is being very sticky on this and failure to complete the forms will delay payments to respective teams/leagues.

REMEMBER to be eligible for a grant you must affiliate with Football Saskatchewan, so please submit your full roster, coaches' form, MAP spending & follow up report online and the appropriate player fee (Please note there is NO charge for Coaches, Support Staff or Executives but they must be included on the Rosters and in the Registration) to Football Saskatchewan affiliation fee at the same time. After we receive the completed spending & follow-up report with photocopied receipts to verify expenditures, we will forward you the grant money.

Saskatchewan Roughriders Grant & SGI Canada Grant

As an affiliated member we have an additional grant application for Capital Projects only. Attached is a letter from the Saskatchewan Roughriders President, Craig Reynolds, about the venture. Please take the time to look this over and see if this fits any projects you may have forthcoming in your city/town/community for football!

Rider Letter Dream Fund Grant Application

GRANT DEADLINE APPLICATION IS NOVEMBER 1st

In addition to the Riders Dream Fund Grant, we have a Minor Football Grant (Minor Football or Jr. High School Football Program) in conjunction with SGI Canada. If you have something you need for your league/program, please fill out the attached grant application. Please take the time to look this over and see if this fits any projects you may have forthcoming in your city/town/community for football!

SGI CANADA Grant Application

GRANT DEADLINE APPLICATION IS NOVEMBER 1st

All In To Win Fall Lottery

Our annual fundraising project, the "All In To Win Fall" is in full swing. This fundraising project provides a great opportunity for your team/school to raise much needed funds. In previous years, schools have used this fundraiser as an opportunity to raise money for After Grads, Playgrounds, School needs and other school fundraising initiatives. Participants in this fundraising campaign in past years, I am sure your team/school has realized a nice profit from the Lottery and have used the additional money generated from the Lottery to assist in the operation of other school projects. For example, many schools received over \$3,000 back from this fundraiser last year! The leader was Kinsmen Minor Football who raised \$21,000 for themselves in 2023!

The prize breakdown is as follows:

FIRST PRIZE - The NFL Football Fan Package. All expenses paid trip for two to any Regular Season NFL Game of Your Choice. This package includes 4 nights of accommodations, tickets to an NFL game of your choice and a \$1,500 travel voucher will be included to help accommodate airfare OR a cash prize of \$4,500.

SECOND PRIZE - The Family Package - A \$2,500 gift card to Costco.

THIRD PRIZE - The Rider Fan Package: A pair of 2025 Saskatchewan Roughrider Season of tickets.

Ordering booklets are easy and selling them are even EASIER! There is no financial commitment up front. All we ask is request an appropriate amount of booklets that you feel comfortable being able to sell amongst your school. Tickets are sold at \$5 a piece in books of 16 with teams receiving \$40 from each book sold. If your school/team/league sells over 400 books you will receive 60% of your sales (therefore it would be \$48 back from each book sold). We would encourage you to again participate in this excellent fundraising project. To order booklets email mthomas@footballsaskatchewan.ca

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Liability and Accident Insurance

Liability - Please note that Football Saskatchewan's Liability insurance broker is AON Reed Stenhouse Inc. Being a member of Football Saskatchewan provides you with \$10,000,000 in liability coverage. If you need a summary of liability coverage for members of Football Saskatchewan, a copy of the liability insurance is available if needed.

Football Saskatchewan does not purchase accident insurance for our HIGH SCHOOL members. This type of insurance can be purchased by individual leagues/clubs through AON Reed Stenhouse Inc. Accident insurance through AON can be purchased for approx. \$5.75 (which is a discount of \$1.75 for the best plan) per person.

For any and all inquires regarding accident insurance, contact Susan Fedyk at AON Reed Stenhouse Inc. at 306-569-6717.

Football Saskatchewan encourages your high school team to purchase this type of insurance, especially the rural programs.

Accident - Please note that Football Saskatchewan's Accident Insurance broker is BFL Canada. Accident Insurance is provided for Football Saskatchewan members in the following groups (Minor, Elite, Non Contact, and Officials). If you need an accident insurance claim form, you must contact the Football Saskatchewan office to obtain one.

- Directors & Officers Liability Coverage (Any League/Team that has Board of Directors) - **New for 2024**, you will need to fill out the D&O form if you want Directors and Officers Liability coverage for your league/team and submit it to mthomas@footballsaskatchewan.ca to get coverage for your league/team.

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS FORM

Player Safety & Coaches Educational Opportunity

Making Head Way in Football and Football Canada's Safe Contact Program

As members of Football Sask, we are all aware of how positive the game of football can be for our youth. But like any sport our kids play, it is incumbent on the organizers and coaches to teach young athletes how to play the game safely. In order to continue our commitment to safety we are now implementing a plan to ensure that over the next few years that all member coaches across Saskatchewan can safely teach tackling and blocking using Safe Contact principles as well as receive important safety education and awareness. The first phase of the rollout requires all head coaches to become Safe Contact trained while the second phase requires all remaining coaches to receive the training. To become Safe Contact trained, one must first take coach.ca's free e-learning module Making Head Way in Football followed by the completion of the Safe Contact NCCP module.

Please do not delay the process of getting your respective coaches Safe Contact trained. ****THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT WE ALL WORK TOWARDS THIS CERTIFICATION FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR PLAYERS. DON'T DELAY & GET CERTIFIED AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE****

American Football Coaches Association Convention, January 12-14, 2025, Charlotte Convention Center, Charlotte, NC, USA.

This year two Saskatchewan high school football coaches will be sponsored to attend the American Football Coaches Association convention. The Saskatchewan Roughrider Football Club will again sponsor one coach with Football Saskatchewan sponsoring the second coach. The following criteria has been adopted for sponsoring two high school football coaches to the American Football Coaches Association Convention: Be a paid member of Football Saskatchewan (see the note under the application form).

- Must be a high school or minor coach who attended the 2024 Football Saskatchewan Coaches Clinic
- Must have had some involvement in the National Coaches Certification Program (at least completed a Level I/Intro to Competition course).

*Football Saskatchewan will administer the selection of the two coaches.

*No candidate will be sponsored twice within a minimum span of five years.

*AFCA Membership, Airfare, and hotels will be supplied. On own for meals & any/all extras.

AFCA COACH APPLICATION

DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 1st

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NFL Canada Way To Play Youth Awards

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Coaches can submit game footage that promotes proper playing technique, protect players from unnecessary risk, and effect change across High School Tackle levels. NFL Way to Play was created to promote proper playing technique, protect players from unnecessary risk, and effect change across all levels of football. Know a high school player who uses exceptional technique to make impactful plays? Nominate them for the NFL Way to Play High School Award.

Timing : September 14th – November 24th, 2024

Weekly winners to receive a \$3000 Equipment Grant for their School!

Submission Link: <https://fanexperience.nfl.com/ca/en/way-to-play>

CTV will announce the winner during the NFL Live broadcast each Sunday

NFL Canada will also announce the winner on their Twitter and Instagram accounts.

The winner will be contacted by NFL Canada following the announcement.

Learn More About Way to Play : www.playfootball.com

Exclusive Saskatchewan Roughrider Ticket Opportunity

SPECIAL TICKET OFFER

Join us for the Riders' final three regular season home games of the 2024 season and receive a BOGO offer on tickets!

Dates:

- **September 28, 2024, 1:00PM vs. Ottawa REDBLACKS**
- **October 12, 2024, 5:00PM vs. BC Lions**
- **October 26, 2024, 5:00PM vs. Calgary Stampeders**

Offer: BOGO* (Buy one Get one free – 50% discount is already applied) *While quantities last

CLAIM YOUR OFFER HERE

For any questions or group booking inquiries, please reach out to Matthew O’Krafka at 306-566-4287 or matthew.o’krafka@saskriders.com

Find out everything you need to know about Stadium Tips, Parking & Transit details, Game Day maps, and more here

Together, let's cheer on the Riders on our quest to return to the playoffs!