

Frequently Asked Questions:

How do you determine divisions for kids?

Each division goes based on the age of each child. We always go based on birthdays/ whatever age is based on the start of the season. As an example - 9/21/24 - If a child is 5 he would qualify to play in 6U if they are 9 they would be in the 10u and so forth. One very important detail to keep in mind- your child is allowed to play up in a division if you choose to, **but can NOT play down in a lower age division**. Strict league rule.

Where can I find the league rules?

League Rules can be found under the Parent Resources section in our website or by following this link - <https://core5ff.com/parent-resources/>

How are coaches assigned?

We welcome interested parents to register as Head Coach or assistant coach. The league will review all interested registered candidates and determine best qualified individuals for each season. The head coach is the main point of contact per team. We recommend 1 or 2 assistant coaches, depending on each volunteer availability during the season.

What is included with my child's registration?

- 7 weeks or 7 guaranteed games within a season.
- team app to communicate with team and view game schedule
- every team enters the playoffs.
- Core 5 Medallion
- Skills group training & drift tee
- Championship ring/trophies depending on division.
- scheduled practice prior to the game. Additional weekly practice is encouraged based on coach availability.
- opportunity to participate in Core 5 hosted tournaments & special experiences!

Paid Referees?

Yes, our referees are paid, not volunteers. We have a different approach and encompass our community to become part of our officiating crew. We train and certify our officials within Core 5 to follow our own unique league rules. (Kicking and punting allowed!)

What day of the week will games be played?

Our season games for these Cave Creek locations will be played on Saturdays, time will be determined as we get closer to the start of the season.

When is the game schedule posted? Game schedule for the entire season is typically posted the Monday before the first week of games. (With exception of playoffs, scheduled game times will be determined after regular season ends)

How long is the season?

Our regular seasons are typically 7 weeks (or 7 guaranteed games within the season) - this includes 6 regular season games and 1 playoff game with the opportunity to advance in the playoffs and play more! (unless otherwise noted)

How do you set up your playoffs brackets?

Playoffs brackets follow each age division. 1st place division bracket winners for 8u-15u get a ring. 6U divisions and division II level play will receive trophies.

When will practices be scheduled?

Practice time and day will be determined by your child's assigned coach. As a league we will have reserve practice slots available for each team to practice at least 1x weekly as a min. Any additional practices will be coordinated by each team and will be required to be kept within the surrounding area.

Is there a scholarship available for low income families?

There are external third party organizations that offer scholarships. You can apply through Every Kid Sports - and upon approval you can send us the card details to help you get your child registered. An alternative local organization is opportunity4kids.org - LINKS SHARED below.

Financial Aid Applications available through outside organizations:

- **Opportunity 4 Kids** Organization that helps families in financial hardship by providing scholarships for student athletes to participate in sports.

Email: scholarship@opportunity4kids.org

Website: www.opportunity4kids.org

- **Every Kids Sports Pass** (seasonal player passes)

<https://everykidsports.org/every-kid-sports-pass/>

Do you accept ESA / Classwallet payments for homeschool kids?

YES! - we are an approved ESA / Classwallet vendor. You can prepay and submit your invoice to Classwallet or register through our waitlist ESA homeschooling registration to begin the process and request an invoice prior to registration. Waitlist participants will not be added to a roster until the payment is received from ESA/Classwallet.

Our coaches are volunteers. - Best qualified coach candidate will be selected as Head coach - all interested coaches welcome to register per specific division. There will be onboarding and training by the league for those interested. Head coach incentive available!