

Key Dates for 2018 Season

Coaches Meeting – July 26, 2018 5:00 – 7:00

Equipment Day – Saturday, July 28, 2018 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

NYO sponsors the sale of equipment at Chastain Park as a service to NYO families and a means to raise funds for NYO. For parents this is a good opportunity to purchase quality equipment that is properly fitted. Volunteers from the coaching group will be needed during this day. Please email John Baker if you are available for a two hour shift.

Heads Up – On-line Certification to be completed – July 31, 2018

Coaches to complete this online course by this date.

New Coaches Clinic – July 29, 2018 – 4:30 to 7:30

All coaches can benefit for this clinic and should plan to attend. For coaches with less than three years experience with NYO Football, this clinic is mandatory. The location for the clinic is in the NYO gym.

Training Camp – August 1 – 2, 2018 4:30 – 7:30 PM

The objective of Training Camp is to enhance player safety by providing focused instruction on Heads Up techniques, light conditioning and heat acclimation before tryouts. NYO has partnered with the Kids and Pros organization which is operated by former Atlanta Falcons Buddy Curry and Bobby Butler to oversee this function but Training Camp session will be led by NYO coaches. NYO coaches must attend on the respective days for their league.

<u>Player Age</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Arrival Time</u>	<u>Departure Time</u>
2 nd & 3 rd Grades	August 1 & 2	4:30	6:30
4 th & 5 th Grades	August 1 & 2	5:00	7:00
Bigs	August 1 & 2	5:30	7:30

Tryouts – (Monday & Tuesday – August 6th & 7th, 2018 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Specific details for parents about tryouts will appear on the NYO website in early August, 2018. Try-outs will be held on these dates from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Chastain Park. Players & coaches will only attend one day of tryouts. Players will be divided into groups based grade as to which day & time they will attend. Players in grades 2, 4 & 6 will attend on August 6th; players in grades 3, 5 & 7 will attend on August 7th. Parents will receive instructions by email shortly before tryouts about their specific arrival time and this information will also be available through NYO's website. Players are to wear full football equipment. They will be weighed, timed and evaluated in full-contact drills. If thunder storms require either or both of these days to be cancelled, the activities from one or both days will be held on Wednesday, August 8th beginning at 5:00.

Make up Tryout – August 11, 2018 at 10:00 AM

This will be only for those players who were unable to attend the tryouts on August 6th & 7th. Players must attend either the Tryout on August 6, 7 or 11 in order to be eligible for the draft and participate in the NYO season.

Parent Meeting - Saturday, August 11, 2018 -- (2:00 – 3:30 in the NYO gym)

All parents are to attend this important meeting which will explain the “Heads Up” player safety program and other important player safety topics. Speakers will include the lead physician from Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta’s sports medicine practice. A question & answer session specific for the parents of new players will follow. There will be an opportunity for questions and answers.

Drafts – August 12 – 13, 2018 – Attended only by coaches.

Season Begins – Games begin the on September 4th or 5th.

Character Speaker Event / Opening Night Celebration on September 9, 2018 / 5:00 PM

- Chris Burnette a former UGA and NFL player will deliver a great message.
- All players and their families from all leagues should attend this popular function. Practices will not be allowed during this evening.
- Following the speaker the Cheer Leaders will put on a show before all the Bigs football and cheer leading teams are introduced for a fun Sunday night Bigs game.

Championship Games – Monday, November 12, 2018

The playoffs will conclude with the championship games for all leagues on this date.

Peach Bowl – Thursday, November 15, 2018

All star games for players in grade 3rd and above.

Red Devil Games - Beginning Friday, November 16, 2018