

DVRR Jr. Terriers Football and Cheer Program FAQ's

1. Who are the DVRR Jr. Terriers?

- a. The Del Val Jr. Terriers football and cheer organization and the Riegel Ridge Rams football and cheer organization merged this year to become the new DVRR Jr. Terriers – a combination of both programs. Our new name symbolizes the connection to the Delaware Valley High School Terriers while honoring the history of the Riegel Ridge Rams.

2. Are you affiliated with the Del Val United Football Club?

- a. The DVRR Jr. Terriers are not affiliated with Del Val United Football Club. Del Val United Football Club is an independent football organization that was recently formed in January 2021 within the same sending district as us.

3. What league are you in?

- a. We are in the Warren County Midget Football League (the Rams were a founding member of the league which has been established for 72 years). The Warren County Midget Football League is a weight limit league. For more information about the league, please visit www.wcmfl.net.

4. What teams are in the league?

- a. The league consists of the following teams: DVRR Jr. Terriers, Lambertville Ramblers, Lopatcong Panthers, North Warren Patriots, Pohatcong Warriors, Steele Hill Bulldogs, Washington Township Panthers, Washington-Mansfield Outlaws, Voorhees Jr. Vikings.

5. Do you have a website?

- a. Yes, please visit www.dvrrjrtorriers.com for program information and registration details.

6. Is Registration Open?

- a. Yes, please visit www.dvrrjrtorriers.com/registration. There are four registration packages based on each families' needs. There are 4 packages offered. If you are registering one child or two children for football or competition cheer (please note competition cheer automatically includes game day cheer requirements), please use Packages 1 and/or 2, based on their grade level. If you are registering a child or children for game day cheer only, please use package 3. If you are registering three or more children (football or competition cheer only), please use package 4.
- b. Please see player eligibility below:

FLAG DIVISION – K-2ND GRADE

Age five (5) through seven (7) years old; players must be five (5) years old on or before September 1st of the playing year to be eligible. **Players turning eight (8) years old before November 6th of the playing year are INELIGIBLE to play in the Flag Division.** No person in third (3rd) grade or higher will be eligible to play in the Flag Division.

PEEWEE DIVISION – 3RD AND 4TH GRADE

Age seven (7) through ten (10) years old; players must be seven (7) years old on or before September 1st of the playing year to be eligible. **Players turning eleven (11) years**

old before December 31st of the playing year are INELIGIBLE to play in the PeeWee Division. No person in fifth (5th) grade or higher will be eligible to play in the PeeWee Division.

JUNIOR VARSITY DIVISION – 5TH AND 6TH GRADE

Age eight (8) through twelve (12) years old, **Players turning thirteen (13) years old before December 31st of the playing year are INELIGIBLE to play in the Junior Varsity Division.** No person in seventh (7th) grade or higher will be eligible to play in the Junior Varsity Division.

VARSITY DIVISION – 7TH AND 8TH GRADE

Age nine (9) through fourteen (14) years old, **Players turning fifteen (15) years old before December 31st of the playing year are INELIGIBLE to play in the Varsity Division.** No person in ninth (9th) grade or higher will be eligible to play in the Varsity Division.

7. What are the registration costs?

- a. K-2nd Grade (football or competition cheer) \$175.00 each participant
- b. 3rd – 8th Grade (football or competition cheer) \$225.00 each participant
- c. K- 8th Grade (game day cheer only) \$150.00 each participant
- d. Multiple Registrations – Families with three or more K – 8th grade participants \$450.00 (registration cost not to exceed \$450.00)

8. How do I use the \$25 discount code?

- a. At checkout, please enter the code in the discount code box. Please note, it is one code per family.

9. What if we have a family hardship?

- a. Please reach out to dvrjrterriers@gmail.com or call Heather Hiel at 201-259-7204 with your concerns. The DVRR Board will review family hardships on a case by case basis.

10. What is your refund policy?

- a. On or before August 14th, 100% full refund will be issued.
- b. From August 15th – August 31st – refund minus \$50 for costs incurred.
- c. As of September 1st, no refunds will be issued. Special circumstances / requests can be submitted to the DVRR Board for review {any refunds granted at this time will deduct charges for costs already incurred.}

11. What are the requirements of the program?

- a. Must provide medical eligibility statement from your child's doctor (forms available below)
- b. Must provide a Birth Certificate (proof of age, we need to see original and keep a copy)
- c. Must provide a security check (one per family, \$250 to DVRR Jr. Terriers). This check is only cashed if work obligations are not complete, or equipment is not returned or returned damaged. Security checks are due at equipment handout to be held in July.
- d. Must participate in Concussion baseline testing for participants 10 years or older
- e. Must acknowledge our Code of Conduct policy
- f. Must agree to a Waiver and Release of Liability
- g. Must agree to Covid Waiver and protocols (if applicable)

- h. Complete Work Duty obligation (2 time slots per family for the season at home and away games)
- i. Required raffle ticket fundraiser pre-pay or opt-out fee

12. What is the work duty?

- a. Parents are required to fulfill two work duties during the season. A SignUp Genius will be sent out for home and away games. You can sign up for whatever time works for you. You do not have to work during your child's game. We encourage you to work either before or after your child's game, so you can enjoy watching your child play football or cheer. For **home games**, there are opportunities to work in the Snack Shack, walk around with 50/50 raffles, assist with clean-up, and more. For **away games**, we will need 3 volunteers per level to assist with the chains. This is a really exciting work duty since you get to be on the sidelines during the actual game!
- b. Please note the only individuals that are exempt from work duty are Board Members, Coaches and Assistant Coaches.
- c. If both work duties are not completed during the season, the \$250 security check will be cashed.

13. What happens to my \$250 security check if I fulfill my work duties and return my uniform on time (and not damaged, except if it is a direct result of playing football or cheering at games/competitions)?

- a. We will shred your security check or return it to you. If you wish to have it returned to you at the end of the season, please send us an email at dvrrijetterriers@gmail.com.

14. What are the requirements of the raffle ticket fundraiser?

- a. Every family is required to participate in the Raffle ticket fundraiser each year. Each participant is required to sell a 10 ticket raffle book at \$10 each.
- b. You may choose to opt-out of the fundraiser by paying a \$50.00 fundraising opt-out fee for each participant, maximum \$100 per family. If you intend to exercise the fundraiser opt-out you must do so at the time of registration.
- c. For those who choose to sell raffle tickets, you will be required to pre-pay for one book per child up-front at the time of registration. In the event that a family has more than two children participating in the organization, only two children will be required to fulfill the fundraising obligation. Please note all fundraising options are NON-REFUNDABLE.
- d. Those who pre-pay for your raffle tickets, books will be distributed in late August / early September. There will be additional raffle ticket books available for purchase at this time.

15. What if my child is not due for a physical (based on insurance) until after the season starts?

- a. Children will not be able to participate in practice without a completed physical form. Please submit a physical form from the prior year for our records or you will be required to sign a waiver. Once you have the current physical completed, please submit an updated copy to us.

16. When does the season start for Football?

- a. Practice begins on August 10, 2022.
- b. Please note: Physical paperwork needs to be handed in at equipment handout. Any child who does not have a physical form turned in, cannot participate in practice.

Football practice for Pee Wee, JV and Varsity will begin on **Wednesday, August 10, 2022**. Typically, practice will be every day – Monday through Friday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. until school starts. On the first day of practice, please check with your individual Head Coach for your exact schedule and times.

No pads are needed for Pee Wee, JV or Varsity for the first 3 days of practice. Shorts/T-shirts, cleats and your helmet are fine for the first 3 days. **Starting on August 15th, 2022** please wear practice uniforms with full pads.

When school starts in September, typical practice times for Pee Wee, JV and Varsity are Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 6:00 to 7:30 or 8:00 p.m. unless otherwise stated by each individual coach.

FLAG FOOTBALL (ONLY): First day of practice is **Wednesday, August 10, 2022**. On the first day of practice, please check with your Head Coach for your exact schedule and times.

17. When does the season start for Cheer?

- a. **Practice begins on Monday, August 1, 2022.**
- b. Please note: Physical paperwork needs to be handed in at equipment handout. Any child who does not have a physical form turned in, cannot participate in practice.
- c. **Game Day Cheer:** Cheer requirement is to practice once a week and cheer at home and away football games (approximately 8 games). No competition.
- d. **Competition Cheer:** Cheer requirement is to practice at least three times a week with a commitment that extends beyond the normal football season. Competitions are statewide. Required to cheer at home and away football games (approximately 8 games)

18. When is equipment handout?

- a. Equipment handout for football and cheer is usually the last week in July. We provide equipment handout days/times by level. Each level (Flag, Pee Wee, JV, and Varsity) will have a different equipment hand out day with makeup days available.
- b. In order to receive equipment, registration will need to be submitted and paid in full.
- c. Security Checks will need to be submitted at equipment handout before any equipment/uniforms will be distributed.
- d. Physical forms need to be turned in before the first day of practice, otherwise your child cannot participate in practice.
- e. New players need to provide a copy of their birth certificate. If you previously played on the DVRR Jr. Terriers, a birth certificate is not required unless we do not have one on file.

19. What if I had a vacation already planned during equipment handout or practice?

- a. Please notify your head coach with any practices or games your child(ren) will not be able to attend.

20. What if I have other questions not covered in this document?

- a. Please email us at dvrjrterriers@gmail.com for any football or general program inquiries. Please email us at dvrjrterrierscheer@gmail.com for any cheer program inquiries.