



MACOMB MUSTANGS

YOUTH FOOTBALL & CHEER CLUB

Participation in the Macomb Mustangs Youth Football and Cheer Club is a wonderful way to bring the joy of sports into the lives of young people. This investment into youth sports requires financial and time commitments from each Mustang family.

This Financial Policy outlines each family's individual financial investment, along with our volunteer commitment, equipment, refund, and general financial policies.

Financial Commitments

There are four major components of the financial commitment: the Registration Fee, the Commitment Deposit, the Equipment Deposit, and the Raffle Ticket Fundraiser. See the following pages for more details.

● **Player Registration**

- \$400 returning football/\$325 returning cheer/\$450 **new** football/\$375 **new** cheer (\$20 per player discount for each additional family member)
- Due within seven days of registration (immediately if registering on or after June 1, 2025)

● **Commitment Deposit**

- \$300 per family
- Due at Equipment Hand-Out

● **Equipment Deposit**

- \$100 per player
- Due at Equipment Hand-Out

● **Raffle Ticket Fundraiser**

- \$100 for first book of 10, \$50 for each book after; minimum of one book per family
- First \$100 due at Equipment Hand-Out; additional books may be purchased at the practice field during practice days

General Financial Policies

All fees are payable by cash, check, or credit card. The previously listed components will be invoiced to the player's account. Any outstanding balances of the above items will render the player(s) of the family with an outstanding balance immediately ineligible to participate in Macomb Mustangs functions, including camps, clinics, practices, and games.

- All checks serve as their own receipt.
- There is a \$25 returned-check fee.
- Canceled checks or checks with a stop-payment order will be pursued through legal channels as necessary.
- A receipt must be written for all cash transactions listing the player to be credited, the amount, and the financial commitment being credited.
- Credit card transactions will incur an additional 4% convenience fee based on the entire transaction. There is no refund or reimbursement of convenience fee charges.

Volunteer Commitment Policy and Deposit

Participation in the Macomb Mustangs Youth Football and Cheer Club is contingent upon further participation by adults serving as organizational volunteers. Each family must fulfill four (4) commitments per child with a max of eight (8) commitments per family.

For the 2025 season, the Mustangs will be permitting a certain number of "commitment buyouts." You may buyout four (4) commitments for \$300.00 or eight (8) commitments for \$500.00. If you participate in the commitment buyout, you agree to the immediate cashing of either a \$300.00 (four (4) commitments) or a \$500.00 (eight (8) commitments) deposit check. Upon successful collection of those funds, you will be released from volunteer commitments for the 2025 season. The number of buyouts permitted is at the discretion of the Commitments Director and will not negatively affect the ability of the Mustangs to successfully host, manage, or maintain a safe and functional environment for all official MYFCC and/or Mustangs events. Buyouts will be issued in the order in which they were requested; if the Mustangs are unable to permit your buyout request, you will be notified and you will be required to furnish a \$300.00 commitment deposit check per our standard commitment policy, and you will be required to fulfill commitments as defined above.

Those families not participating in the commitment buyout will be required to submit a check at equipment handout for \$300.00 as a deposit to ensure volunteer commitment participation. This is a per family deposit. Checks will be collected at equipment handout; no equipment will be issued without the commitment deposit. The \$300.00 commitment deposit check will be cashed if commitment obligations (see above) are not fulfilled. Online commitment sign-up will only be accessible to those who submit deposit check.

GAME DAY VOLUNTEERS, CONCESSION HELPERS, and SPECIAL EVENT HELPERS, are critical to the success of our program. Game day activities include, but are not limited to: chain gang, spotters, announcer, game clock, field set-up and tear-down, merchandise, clean-up crew, security, concessions, and 50/50 raffle. Sign-up for these activities will take place once the game schedule is known and at a later date closer to the start of the season as determined by the Commitments Director. At the end of the season, your \$300.00 commitment deposit check will be returned at equipment turn-in, after confirmation of successful completion of volunteer obligations and complete return of issued equipment to the Mustangs (equipment must be in good, clean condition in order to meet this requirement).

Volunteers are obligated to appear when scheduled and remain for the entire scheduled time. If commitments are not fulfilled as required, the participant's parent/guardian authorizes the Macomb Mustangs to cash the commitment deposit check of \$300.00. Additionally, failing to meet the commitment requirement will jeopardize that participant's returning player status for the following season.

Equipment Policy and Deposit

Participants in the Macomb Mustangs Youth Football and Cheer Club shall be provisioned with equipment to be used during the season. Once issued, the participant's family assumes responsibility for maintaining the good condition of the equipment while in their possession. Said equipment shall be returned in good, clean condition at season's end or immediately upon demand if return is required sooner. The participant's family is obligated for paying the cost of any equipment lost, destroyed, or not returned.

To ensure return of provisioned equipment, an Equipment Deposit check of \$100 per participant shall be required at Equipment Hand-Out. No equipment will be issued without the equipment deposit.

If all equipment is returned in good, clean condition, other than what is considered normal wear, then the Equipment Deposit check shall be returned to the family at Equipment Turn-In. If equipment has not been returned in satisfactory condition, the Equipment Deposit check will be cashed by the organization. If the cost of replacement or repair exceeds the equipment deposit, the participant's family's commitment check will be cashed. If the cost to replace or repair exceeds the value of both the equipment and commitment deposits, the participant's family will be responsible for the balance to replace or repair.

The family of the participant(s) shall furnish participating child(ren) with the prescribed shoes, socks, supporter, and such other personal equipment as is necessary for their health and safety.

Returning Player Status

Returning Player Status for the following season will only be granted to participants if:

- 1) Sale of minimal fundraising obligations is completed,
- 2) Volunteer commitment requirements are met,
- 3) All issued equipment is returned in good and clean condition, and
- 4) No remaining financial balances are due the Macomb Mustangs on behalf of the participant(s).

Refund Policies

Registration Fees: If a player withdraws from the organization prior to being rostered on a team, a full refund will be given. No refunds will be given once the athlete has been rostered on a team. Any and all refunds will be subject to a fee equal to any costs outlaid by the Mustangs for the participant (e.g. jersey, bow, other equipment not returned to the organization, etc.).

Commitment Deposit: The commitment deposit check will be returned if all players from a family withdraw from the organization by the end of the last practice day prior to the first game of the season. If a player withdraws during or after the first game weekend of the season, no commitment deposit will be returned and the player's family will be expected to meet the commitment requirement or forfeit the deposit.

Equipment Deposit: There are no refunds of the equipment deposit; for a complete policy description, see Equipment Policy and Deposit.

Raffle Ticket Fundraiser: There are no refunds or returns for this fundraiser. All sales are final.