



Panther City Youth Rugby Club

Mission

To provide young athletes with the opportunity to learn an established, global sport as part of a high-quality competitive athletic organization in a safe environment dedicated to maximizing individual athletic potential and team excellence.



Rugby: An established, global sport

- Originated in the 1830's and sanctioned worldwide in 1871
- Played in over 100 countries
- Professional in UK, Europe, Australia, South Africa and New Zealand
- Foundation of American football





Rugby in the U.S.

- Over 70,000 registered players
- Youth rugby – the fastest growing participant group for three consecutive years
- Competitive opportunities at the local, regional and national level
- New International Rugby Board high-performance structure offers a pathway for youth to pursue the US Eagles national teams at the Under-17, Under-19 and Under-21 levels





Panther City Youth Rugby Club

A high-quality competitive athletic organization

Administrative Governance & Support

Our administration has experience with a variety of scholastic and club sports programs.



USA Rugby-Certified Coaches

All Head Coaches have completed USA Rugby Certification Courses and have considerable competitive rugby experience.



Premiere Training & Competition Facilities

- \$3 million rugby-specific field
- State-of-the-art artificial turf
- Lighted evening practices



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Dedicated to providing a safe environment

As a contact sport, the risk of injury in rugby is similar to, but not greater than, that of football or hockey.



Onsite Athletic Training / Sports Medicine Services

A certified/licensed athletic trainer (ATC, LAT) will be at all practices and home competitions to address any injuries that may rise during the season.

Sports-Specific Fitness Training

All practices will be combined with sports-fitness training, supervised by a professional sports conditioning specialist, to help ensure athletes are prepared for the competitive requirements for rugby.



Core Expectations

Expectations for Player

- Be on-time and prepared for all practices / competitions
- Demonstrate respect for coaches, referees and any other authority
- Conduct self in appropriate manner
 - No foul language or other behavior that does not represent yourself, family or PCYRC in a positive manner.
- Follow rules established by PCYRC, USA Rugby and other related entities
- Compete in the spirit of good sportsmanship

Expectations for Parent

- Conduct self in a positive and appropriate manner during all activities
- Be supportive of all athletes, including the opposing team
- Follow the appropriate line of communication to resolve issues
 - Players are expected to communicate issues with coaches first, etc.

Expectations for PCYRC Staff

- Be a positive role model for youth (in sports and life)
- Create a physically / emotional safe environment by conducting practices and competitions in an age appropriate manner
- Be prepared for each practice, following the PCYRC player development plan established by the Coaching Director and Head Coaches



PCYRC Teams

U19 Teams

- Typically Varsity, Grades 11-12

U17 Teams

- Typically Junior Varsity, Grades 9-11

U15 Teams

- Typically Middle School, Grades 7-8

Competitive Opportunities

- Requires at least 25 players per team
- Competes at Division 1 Club league against teams in the DFW area (U15 will compete in Open Division)
- All sides compete for Texas State Championship (U19 eligible for National Championship)
- If 25 players come from same school, team will be eligible to compete in Division 1 High School league



PCYRC Teams

U13 Teams / U11 Teams

- U13 Typically Elementary, Grades 5-6
- U11 Typically Elementary, Grades 3-4

Competitive Opportunities

- At least 20 players per team
- Open match rotation to maximize player participation and skill development
 - Travels to compete against other clubs in DFW area
 - May also include intra-club team matches



Team Schedules

U11 / U13 Team Season

- 10-week season (x2)
 - January 7th to March 15th / 16th – Winter Season
 - March 24th to May 31th / June 1st – Spring Season
- Practices
 - Tentative for Monday & Wednesday 5:30p – 7:00p (1.5 hrs)
- Match Schedule
 - 3 home / 3 away with an area championship



Team Schedules

U15 / U17 / 19 Season

- 14 week regular season: January 7th to April 12th
 - U19 - 6 home / 4 away
 - U17 – TBD
 - U15 – TBD
- Potential for post-season championship play
 - Texas Championship Tournament (Austin, TX, 4/26-27)
 - U15, U17, U19
 - Western Regional Championship Tournament (St. Louis, MO, 5/10-11)
 - U17, U19 only
 - USA Rugby National Championship Tournament (Pittsburg, PA, 5/30-6/1)
 - U19 only
- Practices
 - Tentative for Monday & Wednesday 7:00p – 9:00p (2 hrs)



Participation Fees

What is Provided in the Participation Dues?

- Administrative Costs
- Coaches & Referee Costs
- Athletic Trainer & Conditioning Services
- Facility Costs
- Individual Player League Dues
- Complete Uniforms (except shoes)

Participation Dues

U11 / U13 (U12) = \$300 / Season

- \$75 Deposit
- Plus 3 Additional Payments (Jan, Feb, Mar / Mar, Apr, May)

U15, U17, U19 = \$750 / Season

- \$150 Deposit
- Plus 4 Additional Payments (Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr)
- Championship tournament fees may also be required



Financial Assistance

Available Discounts

Returning Player Discount

- Each returning player will receive a 10% off the participation fee.

New Player Recruitment Discount

- If signing up with a new player (“buddy”), both athletes receive 15% off the participation fee.

Family Discount

- Families with two children participating receive 10% off each child’s participation fee
- Families with three or more children participating receive 20% off each child’s participation fee
- Children are considered brothers, sisters, and/or immediate cousins

Above discounts may only be combined for a maximum of 35% off the participation fee



Financial Assistance Special Programs

Fund Raising / Sponsor Recruitment

- Athletes/Families will have the opportunity to receive credit towards their participation fee through selling club sponsorship packages.
- Athletes will be credited up to 50% of the sponsorship value sold

Work Exchange / Volunteer Program

- Athletes/Families may receive up to 50% off the participation fee in exchange for performing various individual team organizational duties.
- Reserved for those with a perceived financial need.

Hardship Assistance Program

- Reserved for athletes from low-economic households with a demonstrated financial need. (Participation fee is $> 1\%$ of household income)
- These Athletes may receive up to 65% off the Participation Fees
- Athletes / Families must actively participate in the "Work Exchange Program"



Required Documentation

Panther City Youth Rugby Club

- Contract for Participation
- Code of Conduct and Rules & Regulations
- Consent to Provide / Obtain Care
 - must include copy of insurance card
- Medical Questionnaire
- Waiver of Release of Liability for Publicity Information (optional)

USA Rugby

- Waiver & Release of Liability

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- Athlete Information Sheet
- Authorization to Provide Healthcare Services
- Authorization to Release Health Information
- Financial Agreement for AT Urgent Care



Registration Dates

Advance Registration (*Receive 10% off total dues*)

- December 31st for U15 / U17 / U19 – Winter / Spring Season
- December 31st for U12 – Winter Season
- March 5th for U12 – Spring Season

Open Registration

- February 15th for U15 / U17 / U19 – Winter / Spring Season
- January 15th for U12 – Winter Season
- March 15th for U12 – Spring Season

Participation dues will not be prorated.

Athlete is responsible for the payment of the entire amount.