



As of January 2025, Chargers Varsity Defensive Line Coach David Vestal has taken over as football director.

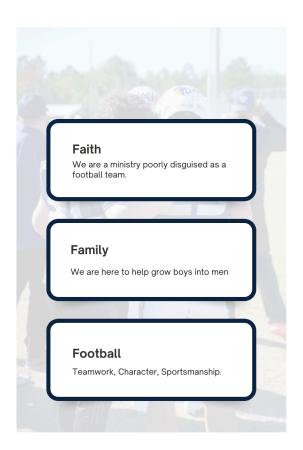
Coach Vestal's oldest daughters were a part of Chargers Cheer Mascots around 15 years ago. He and his family moved overseas following God's call to northern Italy. Upon returning to the states in 2018, the Vestal's re-joined the Chargers for Damian to play football. Football is an amazing sport, as well as a great method to teach leadership and teamwork. However, if I don't see your sons in heaven someday then none of this has been worth anything!



VALUES

We strive to be a football program that instills strong Christian values and produces leaders of character. To be a dominant team that is competitive with public, private, and homeschool programs.

"Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken." - Ecclesiastes 4:12





The Charger's program has come a long way. Our 2025 fall season will be our 20th season... 20 seasons, just let that sink in.

This is OUR 20th year.



YOUTH FOOTBALL

Spring Flag and Fall Mighty Mites Youth Coordinator: Jason McCully

- 3rd -6th grade boys
- Spring Flag March and April
 - Varsity Players & Parents Coach
 - Parents Ref & Keep Score
- Fall Mighty Mites Tackle
 - Register in August
 - Season: September & October
 - Parents Coach





Spring Flag started March 26 and will continue through April. We still need some volunteers. Flag football is quickly growing in popularity across the nation for both boys and girls leagues. This is not something that we offer yet, but if you're interested please reach out so that we can determine whether we have enough athletes to form a team.

Fall Mighty Mites tackle football registration will open May 1, 2025 and close August 1, 2025. The first practices will be held in late August. Charger's partners with the Mighty Mites Youth Football organization of Southwest Missouri. You will register on the Charger's Website https://www.lcachargers.com further instructions will be provided as a part of the registration process.

The Mighty Mites program is for children in grade school from the first grade through the sixth grade. Athletes younger than the first grade or who will reach age 13 in 2025 are not allowed to participate in the 2025 Mighty Mites program. If you have any questions on eligibility please contact mail@mightymitesfootball.org



JUNIOR HIGH

Head Coach: Steven Rogers

2025 Coaches

Brian Wallace Brett Williams

* Recruiting



This year Coach Steven Rogers is taking the helm for our Junior High Team. Coach Wallace will be returning from last year. Coach Brett Williams will be returning to the Chargers coaching staff with our Junior High team as well. Coach Rogers is looking for some additional coaches to help out. If you are interested in joining the Chargers as a Junior High coach, please contact <u>football.director@lcachargers.com</u>.



JUNIOR HIGH

Schedule

NOTES

- Jr High games are typically on Thursdays
- One Friday Game
 - \circ NOAH
- Two Saturday Games
 - o OKC
 - Christ Prep

2025

CHARGERS FOOTBALL JR HIGH SCHEDULE

4 SEP	Crane	TBD	5:30 PM
11 SEP	Pipken / West Port Bulldogs	SGF, MO	6 PM
18 SEP	Jarrett / Carver	SGF, MO	5:30 PM
25 SEP	Pittsburg Purple Dragons	Pittsburgh, KS	5:30 PM
2 OCT	Pleasant Hope	Pleasant Hope, MO	6 PM
9 OCT	Joel E. Barber	Lebanon, MO	5:30 PM
14 OCT	El Dorado Springs	El Dorado Springs, MO	5 PM
24 OCT (FRI)	NOAH Jaguars	TBD SGF Area	5 PM
1 NOV (SAT)	OKC Patriots	окс, ок	7 th 12 PM 8 th 2 PM
8 NOV (SAT)	Christ Prep Patriots	KC, MO	TBD



JUNIOR VARSITY

Head Coach: Brian Garton

2025 Coaches

Bobby Hilburn
Chris Malotte
Ben Pyatt
Justin Reppert
Jason Arrington
Jared Smith





JUNIOR VARSITY

Schedule

NOTES

- Jr Varsity games are typically on Mondays
- Two Saturday Games
 - o OKC
 - o Christ Prep

2025

CHARGERS FOOTBALL JV SCHEDULE

1 SEP	Yellville JV	TBD	6 PM
8 SEP	Thayer	THAYER, MO	6 PM
15 SEP	Parkview	SGF, MO	6 PM
22 SEP	BYE		
29 SEP	El Dorado Springs	EL DORADO SPRINGS, MO	6 PM
6 OCT	Diamond	DIAMOND, MO	6 PM
13 OCT	Pierce City	PIERCE CITY, MO	6 PM
20 OCT (FRI)	Pleasant Hope	PLEASANT HOPE, MO	6 PM
27 OCT	St. Mary's Colgan	TBD AWAY	6 PM
1 NOV (SAT)	OKC Patriots	окс, ок	7 PM
8 NOV (SAT)	Christ Prep Patriots	кс, мо	3 PM

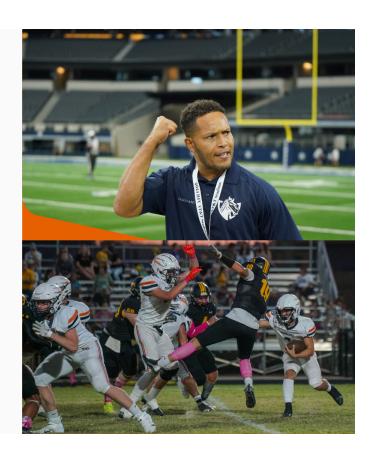


VARSITY

Head Coach: John Hunt

2025 Coaches

Blayne Boyd Chris Branscum David Dowell Joe Fleetwood Ganna Mboob Jacob Mackenzie David Vestal Marcus Myvett Kellen Holland





VARSITY

Schedule

- Varsity games are on Friday nights or Saturday
- Parents MUST agree to volunteer and sign up
- Those not scheduled to volunteer pay admission
- Players arrive ~2 hours prior for taping and warm-ups



29 AUG	一个	VS HAYTI	SGF, MO	7 PM
5 SEP		VS THAYER	SGF, MO	7 PM
12 SEP	*	@ PARKVIEW	SGF, MO	7 PM
19 SEP	-	@ TIPTON	TIPTON, MO	7 PM
27 SEP (SAT)	Ale	@ ST. MARY'S	ST. MARY'S, KS	TBD
з ост	9 7	VS DIAMOND HOMECOMING	SGF, MO	7 PM
10 OCT	F.3	@ PIERCE CITY	PIERCE CITY, MO	7 PM
17 OCT		BYE WEEK		
24 OCT	January 100-101	VS TULSA NOAH SENIOR NIGHT	SGF, MO	7 PM
1 NOV (SAT)		@ OKC	окс, ок	TBD
8 NOV (SAT)		@ CHRIST PREP	KC, MO	TBD
@LCAChargersFootball		www.LCAChargers.com	#ChargersForTheLord	



- Private school students
 - School can not have a football program
 - May not play against MSHSAA public school opponents
 - Taking no more than 2 credit bearing courses from public or private school
- In good academic standing with parents
- · Actively seeking high school diploma



Make sure to label your son's eligibility according to his age, not what grade you consider him academically. This is important for his overall eligibility. If you would like for your son to play on the Junior High team at age 12 or the High School team at age 14, you need to talk with the director. This has a long-term impact on your son's Varsity eligibility and readiness to play in college.

Please contact football.director@lcachargers.com if you have any other questions about eligibility.

NHFA - GPCAC ELIGIBILITY

Years Eligibile

Four years of eligibility between the ages of 14 and 18

SEASON

		1 5 T	ZND	SRD	4 TH
Transcripts Must submit transcript that lists school type (public,	14	9™ (FR)			
private, homeschool) for each year of eligibility	15	9™ (FR)	10 TH (SO)		
	16	10 [™] (SO)	10 TH (SO)	11 [™] (JR)	
Eligible Season Label years as shown in this chart	17	11 [™] (JR)	11 [™] (JR)	11 [™] (JR)	12 TH (SR)
DO NOT LABEL ACCORDING TO ACADEMICS	18	12 TH (SR)	12™ (SR)	12 [™] (SR)	12 TH (SR)



REGISTRATION

- Join Lighthouse Christian Athletics Annual Membership
- Create a Crossbar Account
- Digitally Sign / Agree
 - Conduct Policies Parents & Athletes
 - Liability Waiver*
 - Volunteer Agreement
- Upload copy of Athletic Physical**
- Varsity / JV Only
 - NHFA Eligibility Form
 - Transcript



^{*} You must have your own health insurance. Chargers hold only general liability.

^{**} Physical required every 2 years, health acknowledgement form in off years

REGISTRATION

- High School = \$775 early / \$825
- Jr. High School = \$645 early / \$695
- Registration Includes
 - Practice Jersey
 - Thursday Night Lights Meals
 - Player Gameday Shirt
- Multi Player Discount: Overall 10% per athlete
- \$100 Deposit Due by May 10th
- \$50 increase after May 31st
- All fees due by equipment issue (July 29th)
- Extra practice Jerseys are \$20









Early registration ends May 31.

REGISTRATION

- Chargers will provide
 - Game Uniforms
 - Helmet
 - Shoulder Pads.
- Players must provide
 - Cleats
 - ∘ 5 pad girdle
 - Mouthpiece (buy several)
 - Game socks





Varsity and hopefully JV players will travel to the NHFA Tournament in Florida in November.



ATHLETES' CODE OF CONDUCT

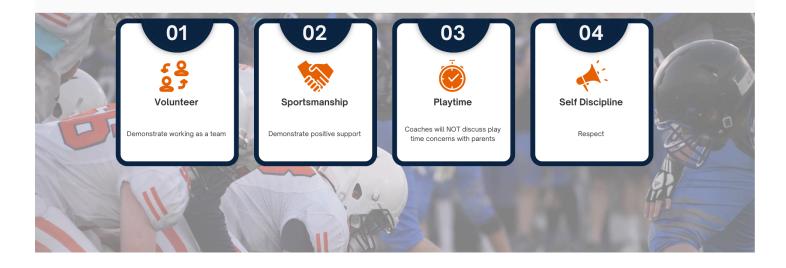
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PARENTS' CODE OF CONDUCT

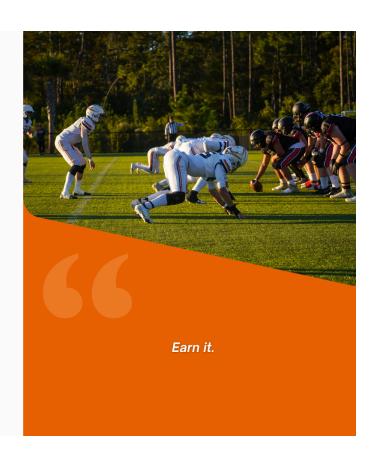
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PLAYING TIME POLICY

Make me play you





PLAYING TIME POLICY

- Show up
- Empower your teammates
- Be coachable
- Know your plays
- Be willing to play where we ask
- Outwork everyone around you





WEEKLY RHYTHM

- SUNDAY
 - Sunday Summary E-Mail
- MONDAY
 - Practice & JV Games
- TUESDAY
 - Practice
- WEDNESDAY
 - NO Practice
 - Occasional film session before most churches start

- THURSDAY
 - Practice
 - Thursday Night Lights
 - ∘ Jr. High Games

• FRIDAY or SATURDAY

- Varsity Games
- o Usually no Jr. High practice
- JV Practice before Varsity game as needed



HOME GAMES

- Varsity Home games are held at area High School Stadiums
- We are volunteer run
- You will be assigned to a volunteer team:
 - Gate
 - Concessions
 - Chain crew







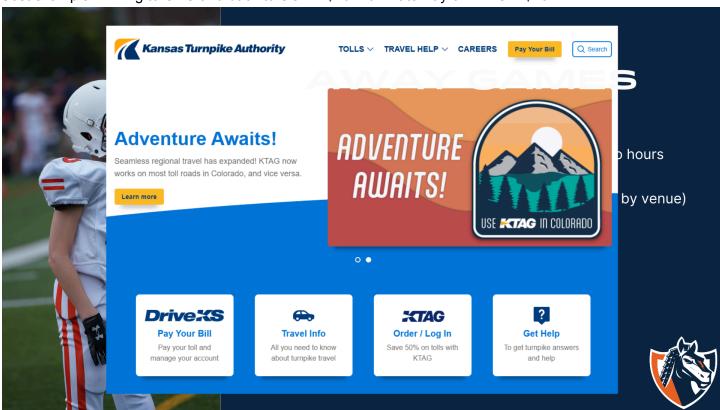
AWAY GAMES

- Typically, players will need to be at the stadium two hours prior to the game.
- Families should expect to pay admission (fees vary by venue)
- Coordinate early if your son needs a ride
- We travel longer distances for homeschool games:
 - St. Mary's, KS
 - Oklahoma City, OK
 - o Olathe, KS
 - o Panama City Beach, FL



Oklahoma has removed their cash/card toll booths. They now only take a picture of your car and mail you the toll bill. The toll is doubled if you do not have either the Oklahoma Plate Pay or Kansas Turnpike Authority tag. These are easy to get and are free.

Cost example: Driving to OKC and back to SGF = \$40 with Plate Pay or KTAG = \$20





OTHER EVENTS

- Throughout the summer Workout
- 10 April NCAA eligibility workshop
- 6 May 7-on-7 begins
- 15-18 May Chargers Football Kamp @ Kanakuk
- 14 June Football skills camps begin
- 31 July or 1 Aug Football practices begin







SKILLS CAMPS

- One Day Events
- Registered Athletes
 - A fun tune up for the 2025 season
- New / Interested Athletes
 - Try us out! (Not Tryouts)
 - 14 June
 - ∘ 21 June
 - ∘ 28 June
 - ∘ 5 July





NHFA TOURNAMENT FLORIDA, FOOTBALL, AND JESUS

- The Varsity team WILL PLAY in the NHFA Tournament the week before Thanksgiving, regardless of ranking.
- Hosted annually in Panama City Beach, FL
- Bracketed into 3 Divisions
- Each team plays 2 games

2021 NHFA National Champions

 ${\tt !!}$ Last practice in Springfield is the prior Friday (Mandatory) ${\tt !!}$



NHFA TOURNAMENT FLORIDA, FOOTBALL, AND JESUS

- 17 Nov through 22 Nov
- Schedule
 - Tuesday Practice
 - o Wednesday Semi Final Game
 - o Thursday Practice
 - o Friday Practice
 - o Saturday: Championship

!! Last practice in Springfield is the prior Friday (Mandatory) !!

