



## **8<sup>th</sup> GRADE FOOTBALL**

Dear 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Players,

Welcome to another exciting year of Union football. We are looking forward to working with you to make this a great football season. Following are important dates for your calendar.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 6<sup>th</sup> (6:00 PM)** / **Parent -Team meeting and equipment checkout is at the 8<sup>th</sup> grade center gym.** **Parents, please be present to help complete the necessary paperwork for your child.** (anyone entering any of our district buildings must be wearing a mask)

\*\*Arrival each day before school starts will be at the field location – players will do a COVID pre-screen before allowed to practice. Any player that is a concern, will be sent home. See Union Athletic COVID protocol for other details.

**MONDAY – FRIDAY, AUGUST 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> (5:30 PM)** Football Practice 5:30 PM –8:00 PM. Report to the practice field (**8<sup>th</sup> Grade field**) at 5:30PM. Monday - Thursday's practices will be in shorts, t-shirts and helmets (with mouthpiece). Friday's practice will be helmets and shoulder pads. We will have a short break so please bring a drink and snack.

Players will not be using the locker room until school starts (bring a bag with your cleats, helmet, mouthpiece, shoulder pads, jersey, etc. – **also included in this bag should be your own water bottle**, we will not be sharing bottles). \*we will have refill stations for player's water bottle.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>** – Celebrate **"FOOTBALL DAY @UNION"** -- Team Pictures, intra-squad scrimmage and more! (UMAC--Pictures @ 3PM. Instead of our traditional Parent Meeting, a message will be recorded and a link provided for information about the season and our Union Football Program). Intra-squad scrimmage will begin at 5:30PM.

All paperwork, documents and release forms are now done online. Please go online to the webpage <https://unionpublicschools.rankonesport.com> to complete student athlete forms for participation.

Please note that all players must have a current physical dated after May 1, 2020. Players WILL NOT be allowed to practice without a physical form turned into the coach. NO EXCEPTIONS! If you need to get a physical, appropriate forms may be picked up at the athletic department or you can go online and print a form from the athletic department website ([physical form.pdf](#))

I am looking forward to seeing you on August 6th.

**Patrick Harris**  
**Union 8th Grade Head Football Coach**

Parents – Please get involved with the Union Football Booster Club – you can get information about the UFBC at [www.unionfb.com](http://www.unionfb.com)

