

## WHY OFFICIATE?

### **1. Because You Love the Game of Football | Give Back to the Game**

If you love football, officiating is the best way to stay involved in the game. The great thing about being an official is that you actually get to be on the field and not on the sidelines. You can actually contribute to the game you love!

### **2. Great Way to Stay in Shape**

Officiating provides a meaningful reason to stay in shape. As we get older, many adults find it more difficult to find the time to exercise. Officiating gives you the opportunity to get out several times a week and participate in an enjoyable and rewarding physical activity.

### **3. Work with Youth | Be a Positive Role Model | Make a Difference**

Officiating provides a unique opportunity to positively influence young people. The official is a role model who is charged with enforcing the concepts of fair play and good sportsmanship. Athletic competition is one means of making a difference in the lives of young people every day.

### **4. For the Competitor in You**

Officiating appeals strongly to the competitive spirit that all of us possess. The successful official is often a competitor who enjoys the opportunity to work with teammates toward a common goal of officiating a good game.

### **5. Learning and Personal Development**

Football officiating requires you to make timely decisions, resolve conflict, and deal with stress and pressure. It demands good communication skills; It will contribute to your growth and personal development.

### **6. Make Lifelong Friends**

Your fellow officials can become your friends for life. A tremendous bond is developed between officials as they work together for the common good and can only be fully explained after you've experienced it.

### **7. For the Money**

Football officiating is not an extremely lucrative hobby, but then again you will see a positive cash flow. Unlike other hobbies, the time spent at officiating will put some money in your pocket.

### **8. Have Some FUN!**