**Parent/Guardian Contract**

Welcome to the Yreka Jr Miners Football and Cheer Association (“JMF”).

JMF is a non-profit organization that requires adult and parent participation to succeed. Adult participants are needed to coach the football and cheerleading squads, volunteer to work in many capacities at home and away games, to transport children to practice and games, to help raise money for the Association, and much more.

Adult JMF participants include coaches, scouts, managers, parents, guardians and spectators. Adult participants are subject to PopWarner rules. In order to have a successful, fair & equitable JMF program, all parents and adult participants are asked to read and agree to the following JMF guidelines.

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1. I understand that as part of JMF, my child is part of a unique association and that every effort will be made to physically and mentally prepare my child for the demands of contact football & cheerleading.

2. I understand that at no time am I allowed on the football or practice field **unless I am a certified volunteer.**

3. Practice:  I understand that practice is held in Yreka (unless weather makes this unsafe) and begins the first week in Aug. I also understand that I am responsible to have my child dropped off before and picked up within 15 minutes after practice and games. All practices are mandatory.

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4. Complete Registration Packet/ Fees:  I understand that all of my child’s registration packet must be complete, and all fees paid to JMF before equipment is provided.  I have reviewed and understand the financial responsibilities of the Registration fee (varies), Sponsorship fee ($100) and Cheer fee(varies, cheer only).  I understand that if my child does not find sponsors, I am responsible to pay the full price- per-child for participation which is the registration fee (varies), plus $100.00.

**\*\*No child is allowed on the practice field unless the complete packet and fees have been submitted\*\***

5. Game Play Time:  I understand there are minimum play rules in which the coach is following. Missed practices will result in decreased playing time at the next game.

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6. Cheer Time:  I understand that cheerleaders with more than one (1) unexcused practice per week may not be allowed to cheer at all or part of that week’s game.

7. Education:   I will make sure my child attends school and works hard at his/her education as part of his/her success in JMF.  I understand that **education is a priority** and that JMF will sit my child out of practice or a game if my child is not performing well in school.  Education is part of JMF success.

8. **Complaints:  I understand that if I have questions or complaints about any aspect of a practice, a game or the JMF association, I will put my request in writing and email it to** [**yrekajrminers@gmail.com**](mailto:yrekajrminers@gmail.com) **or deliver it to the coach liaison. I understand that this cannot and will not occur during practice or on a game day or with any child present. I understand I can be barred from practice or games if I violate adult responsibilities.  This program is for the kids.**

9. If I have a complaint or issue it shall be my responsibility to contact a Board Member in writing to add my issue to the Board agenda or it may not be addressed.

10. Adult/ Parent Personal Responsibilities:

a. I understand that open criticism of JMF, the Board or the coaching staff, or displays of unsportsmanlike or other unacceptable conduct in public (practice or games) will be grounds for dismissal of the adult, parent or participant from all JMF activities.  Pending Board review of the incident, the parent, adult or child offender will be suspended from JMF practice, games or activities.  A review and finding will be issued by the Board within 10 calendar days unless additional time is needed to investigate.  The Board decision shall be final.  I am free to check the NCF rule book for any additional appeal rights.

b. I understand that there is **no grandstand coaching**. As a spectator, I will cheer and provide encouragement and support to ALL the teams, children, coaches and referees.

c. I understand JMF is run exclusively by unpaid volunteers who seek to provide all involved children the best positive football and cheer experience possible.  Profanity is discouraged and there is a zero tolerance of drugs, alcohol, tobacco or being under the influence at any practice, game or JMF activity.  If under the influence, I will be asked to leave any JMF activity.

11. I understand that all fees are non-refundable once my child begins conditioning.  Any registration fees paid by sponsors or through ticket sales are non-refundable and considered a donation to JMF.

12. Equipment Liability:  I understand that I will sign a receipt for equipment before my child will be issued specific equipment to play or cheer, and that equipment must be returned at the end of the season.  I am responsible for the Current Replacement Cost (CRC) of any lost or damaged equipment that is issued to my child, except for normal wear and tear. I also understand that I will be billed for the CRC, without exception, for missing or damaged equipment.

**►The CRC for football equipment issued to each football player is $375.00.**

**►The CRC for cheerleading equipment issued per cheerleader is $275.00.**

13. I understand that as a condition of my child’s participation, I am required to work at two JMF Games in either the Snack Shack, Field Help or as otherwise assigned.

14. I understand that many parents, team parents and professional photographers photograph practices, games at home and away and general JMF functions and events.  I understand and agree that my or my child's picture or likeness can be used by the Jr MINER FOOTBALL association and other POPWARNER Associations and business partners (ie, photographers, the newspaper) for publicity, advertising, on the websites and in videos, movies, newsprint, magazines, mailers, etc., and other manual or electronic forms of distribution and viewing, for no fee.  I may purchase pictures, videos, newspapers, posters, etc., at my own cost. **\_\_\_\_\_\_ Initial**

16. **I understand that Football and Cheer are inherently demanding and dangerous sports.  On behalf of (name)                                                   , I hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue JMF or POPWARNER, its directors, officers or agents from liability to the undersigned, the named child and all his or her personal representatives, assigns, heirs and next of kin for any loss or damage, and any claim or demands therefore on account of injury to the children while the children are participating in any program affiliated with JMF or POPWARNER. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Initial**

17.  **The undersigned hereby assumes full responsibility for risk of bodily harm, injury or death to the named child due to the negligence of JMF or POPWARNER while participating in any program affiliated with JMF or POPWARNER.  The undersigned further expressly agrees that this Release and Waiver is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the State of California and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Initial**

**By signing this contract, I promise to abide by these rules and do my best to uphold them.   I understand I can be asked to leave a Jr Miner activity if I cannot abide by these rules.  I have read and voluntarily signed the Release and Waiver of Liability.**

Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_     Parent/Guardian signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_    Board member signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**PARTICIPANT CONTRACT**

**FOR FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADERS**

**Welcome to Yreka Jr Miner Football & Cheerleading Association (JMF)!**

Our goal is that your experience with JMF be a fun and positive one. As a member of the JMF organization, there are a few rules and guidelines that you must understand and honor. JMF believes these rules and guidelines will provide a safe, fun and fair season for every participant.

1. I understand that being a Jr Miner is a privilege and I agree to uphold the high standards of the JMF Association.  I will try my best to control myself at all times and to treat others with courtesy and respect, even if it's hard sometimes. 

2. I understand that my behavior as a Jr Miner is important both on and off the field, in and out of uniform.  I will try to be friends with my teammates at school and in class.  If I cannot be friends, I will try to avoid any conflict or trouble.

3. I agree to follow the instructions and directions of the JMF Coaches without question.  I understand that I am part of a team and will always keep the team’s needs before my own.  I understand that failure to follow direction exactly may result in a safety issue for me or my teammate, and I could be hurt if I do not listen or follow direction.

4. I will encourage my teammate’s efforts and never criticize their mistakes.  I will always treat opposing teams with sportsmanlike behavior no matter who wins or loses. 

5. I promise to be in bed at a reasonable time – no later than 10:00 p.m. - the night before all games, so that I am alert and physically rested on game day. 

6. I agree to take care of the equipment that I receive.  I understand it is my responsibility to keep track of my equipment and return the equipment at the end of the season or I will not receive my trophy and my parents will have to pay for the lost gear.  If I lose gear during the season, I will have to buy new gear and repay JMF.

7. I understand that disruptive or disrespectful behavior and failure to follow instructions are grounds for my discipline which may include additional physical conditioning at my coaches request; apologizing; not being able to play, up to dismissal from the JMF program.

8. I understand that part of any success also means I have to pay attention in school.  I need to attend school, do my homework, turn it in and try hard on tests.  I understand that I may not be able to play at practice or a game if my grades are not passing.  I understand Education is key to my success both on and off the field.

9. I agree to not drink Energy Drinks(ie Monsters, Redbulls, 5hr Energy, etc.) before and game or practice as it can cause permanent heart damage or death. I understand that if a JMF member sees me with an energy drink I could be immediately benched.

**By signing this contract, I promise to abide by these rules and do my best to uphold them.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_      Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_      Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_