

## STATELINE COMETS FOOTBALL VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT – 2025 SEASON

### **Our Stateline Comets Football organization is run 100% by Parents, Families, and Volunteers**

For the Comets to keep our football registration costs to a minimum, we rely entirely on volunteers to help when and where needed throughout each season. There are several areas that we continually need help before, during, and after all games as well as several key events during the season. Over the years, SLC has mandated each family to volunteer/donate a minimum of 6 hours per child of their time each season. We fully understand that it may be hard for some families to meet this requirement for a variety of reasons too numerous to list, yet we are always willing to work individually with each person/family to try and accommodate possible solutions. It is equally important to have all of our required volunteer time accounted for to ensure every task is covered and each family is fulfilling their volunteer hours.

This year, we have restructured our volunteer program a little bit to better accommodate all families, including those with multiple children as well as offering a buyout option to those that just cannot commit. If you feel that you are unable to volunteer any of your time to the SLC organization and your child's team, then you will be given the option to buy out your Volunteer Time up front directly at registration. This will help SLC Directors identify well in advance which teams will need additional help before the season starts, so we can actively seek outside help at a cost to ensure our home games go as smoothly as possible without hindering any of our games or needing to forfeit due to lack of volunteers. **Although we highly prefer volunteer time over payment**, we certainly want to give each family the choice. **Listed below are the variety of volunteer assignments that we generally need filled each home game.**

- Field Painting – Assist the Field Director the Thursday or Friday before the weekends hosted games (2 hrs.)
- Game Day Field Prep – Morning of games hosted we put out all field markers before 1st game (1 hour)
- Concession Prep - Morning of game set up concession stand (1 hour)
- Chain Gang - During actual game two people handle 10 yd. markers One person handles ball marker (approx. 2 hrs.)
- Score/Timekeeper – During actual game person operates the scoreboard from the press box (approx. 2 hrs.)
- Announcer - During actual game person Announces the game from the press box (approx. 2 hrs.)
- Spotter - During actual game Assists Announcer identifying player's name and numbers for play calls (2 hrs.)
- Concessions - During actual game helps serve customers from our concession stand. Collect money & make appropriate change. Wrap grilled food & replenish coolers (2 hrs.)
- Cook Grill Food for our Concession Stand (2 hrs.)
- Clean-Up - After All Games (1 hour)

Please note – video recording your child's game for the team will not count towards your volunteer hours

As always, Communication is key where tasks cannot be covered. If a volunteered assignment cannot be met, we ask that parents communicate directly and immediately with your Team mom (and/or Org Directors) at the very start of the season if you feel meeting these volunteer hours may or will be a struggle. We could always use help behind the scenes or at our larger event days as well and can schedule this accordingly to make it work for all parties! If we have issues getting volunteers to step up and/or with late notices, it leaves our team moms, our teams, and our organization struggling to cover our home games.

Here are the SLC Football Parent Volunteer options for the 2025 Season:

OPTION A)

**\$ 250.00 Volunteer Time Deposit**

SLC will hold onto the \$ 250.00 deposit and parents are given the opportunity to volunteer your time and agree to the following terms. Once your volunteer time is complete the check will be given back OR shredded upon completion and family will not be charged.

1) CHILD ONE: 6 HOURS MINIMUM OF VOLUNTEER TIME, POSSIBLY UP TO 8

2nd Child: 2 HOURS OF additional VOLUNTEER TIME, POSSIBLY UP TO 10

3rd Child: 1 HOUR OF additional VOLUNTEER TIME, POSSIBLY UP TO 11

***NOTE: If your child plays on a team with a low player count, you may be required to volunteer additional hours.***

2) By week 5, if you have ZERO hours of recorded volunteer time noted, your volunteer deposit will be cashed in full, and no additional time is required.

3) For the 2025 season, we will be pre-assigning volunteer spots. This means everyone (except coaches) on the team will be assigned throughout the season. This helps you know ahead of time what your assignments are and helps us know who is available and what spots will be covered. Once assigned, it will be YOUR responsibility to find someone to fill that spot if you are unable to do it yourself. You must let us know if you are changing the volunteer person.

4) This process above (pre-assigning) has been used at the HS level (RBCHS) for many years, so we felt it's best that we were also aligned to what is going to be expected at the HS level for most families as well.

5) Each family will only be allowed a maximum of 2 hours of volunteer time on our larger event days: Kick off, Jamboree, Fiesta Bowl

**\*\*UNLESS discussed and approved in advance by Comets Board due to conflicting schedules throughout the season\*\***

These are big days, and we want to be sure to allow for as many families as possible to get the chance to log some volunteer time on these days. In years past we have had several families try to log all their volunteer hours into these days, which can ultimately hinder some teams later in the season if several families on the same team fulfill their hours before the season starts.

Although we appreciate the ambition, we need to be sure each team has enough volunteers throughout the entire season.

You are welcome to donate more time if willing, but we can only credit each family up to 2 hours on the large event days.

OPTION B)

**\$ 250.00 Volunteer time BUYOUT PER CHILD**

For whatever reason, if you choose NOT to volunteer your time to SLC and your child's team, you can simply pay the fees up front. SLC will cash the check before the season starts and no volunteer time will be required. Volunteer Buy out payments will be used to pay outside sources wherever we fall short of volunteers – if need be.