

WANDO RUGBY PLAYER REGISTRATION

SAT OCT 14 @ 10:00am - 12:00pm

Cario Middle School

Team Overview

- Wando Rugby is a club with two teams (A & B)
- We are planning to field a C team (based on player registration), giving all players ample playing time
- All students from Wando, Oceanside and home schooled are eligible to play (no experience is necessary)
- Our goals are to grow the game of rugby, compete at the highest level nationally, coach through 100% positive encouragement, teach both the basic and technical skills, and have a crazy amount of fun!
- All teams play in the Rugby South Carolina (RSC) league, which is divided into two divisions based on strength. We are the 4-time State Champions: A Team: 2014/16/17 (Division 1); B Team: 2017 (Division 2)
- The A Team is also a member of the MSIRL (Mid-South Invitational Rugby League); an elite league comprised of the top teams in SC, NC and GA. We are the 2017 Champions. Oh yeah, we are really good!
- RSC is a member of USA Rugby; the organization that governs all levels of rugby in the USA. See RugbySouthCarolina.com and USARugby.org for details
- All 9 Wando coaches are volunteers (not school employees) and must pass a Federal background check
- The team does not receive any funding from the school and rely on corporate sponsors and one major fundraiser raffle per season
- See **WandoRugby.com** for additional team details

Player Registration

- New & Returning players must register on USA Rugby each school year as follows:
- Go to **USARugby.org** and click the **Register/Login** button on the top right corner
- New players should create a new membership by selecting the "Join USA Rugby" option, while returning players should choose the "Renew Membership" option
- Fill out the online form, and pay the online registration membership fee of \$80 (this fee covers fields, referees, trainers, insurance, league operations)
- Print & sign the "Participation Waiver & Medical Release Form" **located on the Wando Rugby Team App** or WandoRugby.com. Do not print or sign the form on USA Rugby (because we have our own version of the form)
- Give signed form to Coach Steve at practice

Player Dues

- **All players must pay \$50 Player Dues every year**
- Dues are payable via the Team App (see below). This is the preferred method of payment for easy tracking.
- Dues are also payable via check payable to Wando Rugby. Give checks to one of the coaches.
- The dues fee covers Wando Rugby team costs such as balls, uniforms, supplies, Awards Banquet, etc.

Equipment Needed

- Players must purchase the following from **Cambria Sports** in Mt. Pleasant:
 - Wando Rugby practice jersey
 - Wando Rugby shorts
 - Wando Rugby socks
 - Wando Rugby warm-up jacket and pants
- **Other equipment needed:**
 - Cleats (either rugby or soccer style, but football cleats are not allowed)
 - Mouth guard
 - Padded rugby undershirts are optional
 - The above items are available at Cambria Sports or via other online retailers

Practices

- Cario Middle School - Tue & Thu from 4:30pm-6:30pm from Oct 26 thru May
- No practice during Thanksgiving week, two Christmas weeks & Spring Break week
- Bring rugby shorts, practice jersey, cleats, mouth guard & water to every practice

Matches

- Fridays evenings or Saturday (depending on location and opponent)
- Home games are at Cario Middle School
- Roughly an 8 game schedule from Jan to May against teams from around the state
- Admission is \$3 per person (each player receives 3 free tickets for home games). Students are \$2.

Communications

- **Facebook**
 - Our private Wando Rugby group provides casual information between players and parents such as ride sharing, common questions, photos, etc.
 - Simply search for Wando Rugby & request to join
- **Team App**
 - The "Team App" is a simple, small, easy to use app that all players & parents must install on their phones
 - All team announcements, player selections & online payments are done via the Team App
 - This includes practice cancellation, game locations, and other important information
 - **YOU MUST INSTALL THE APP ON YOUR PHONE**

Team App Instructions:

- Download & install the app called **Team App** on your phone via either the App Store or Google Play
- After the installation is complete, open the Team App and click **Sign-Up**
- Enter your personal information, including your email address & password, to create your account
- The Team App will send you an email. Go to your email app, open the email and click **Confirm**
- Go back to the Team App, and click **Log in** using your email address and password
- On the top right corner of the Team App, click **SEARCH**
- Enter **Wando Rugby**
- Select **Wando Rugby**
- Click **Become a member of this team**
- Select **Players** or **Parents** as your Access Group (select the proper group)
- Click **Continue**
- Answer the questions
- **PLAYERS MUST PROVIDE THEIR:**
 - Phone Number
 - Address
 - Emergency Contact Info
 - Do not fill in your occupation or employer (these are default fields but not needed)
- Parents do not provide your age, emergency contact info, occupation or employer
- Once you complete the above, you must **Enable Push Notifications** by going to the Settings → Notifications tabs

Questions? Email info@WandoRugby.com