



TO: IPRA MEMBER DEPARTMENTS

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SUBJECT: Changes to Placekick, Punt, and Pass Youth Football

Something new is happening in 2010. All local champions will advance directly to the state finals in Ames on Saturday, October 16! Because local champions will directly advance to the finals, **all local competitions must be completed no later than Sunday, October 3.** Results must be received in the IPRA office by noon, Monday, October 4.

We are extremely grateful to the communities of Ankeny, Coralville, New Hampton, and Sioux City for hosting a district final over the past many years.

Secondly, for the past decade or longer, the entry fee was \$4.00. The board of directors unanimously approved a fee adjustment of \$1.00. New entry fee starting this autumn is \$5.00 per participant. But here is another new twist, *local agencies can increase the fee up to \$1.00 per participant to help recover costs on his/her end.* The maximum entry is now \$6.00

One constant that will not change is the state finals being held in the Bergstrom Football Indoor Practice facility on the campus of Iowa State University in Ames! What an awesome opportunity for the state finalists to participate on a NCAA Division I practice football field without concern for weather conditions.

With that shared, now that professional and college football season is rapidly approaching, it is time to consider offering a local competition of the IPRA youth football Placekick, Punt and Pass. Last year, over 800 boys and girls ages 8 to 13 competed at the local level. At the state finals, there 29 girls participating!

Downloadable materials to host a local can be found on the IPRA website – www.iapra.org.

Materials include:

- ↗ Flyer
- ↗ Prototype press release
- ↗ Rules sheet
- ↗ Local scoresheet
- ↗ Entry form
- ↗ Local participation certificate
- ↗ State finalist memo (please give a copy to champion the day of local competition)

When you decide on a local competition date, please contact Cathy Shutts, Administrative Assistant, at 641-236-3917 or e-mail cshutts@pcpartner.net. Cathy will then send you ribbons for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers. Local competitions can be held anytime between now to October 3.

Once the local event is completed, please ***fax or email*** the champion's sheet(s). If you did not have anyone compete at a certain age/gender, be sure to indicate in the appropriate spot "NO COMPETITORS PARTICIPATED".

Thanks for the careful consideration.

