



# EXTRA POINT

## WINTER EXTRA POINT NEWSLETTER | 2026 SEASON KICKOFF

Hello Football Saskatchewan Members,

Welcome to the 2026 season. As we kick off another exciting year, we're proud to reflect on the growth and success we saw across Football Saskatchewan last season. None of it would be possible without the dedication of our athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, and member organizations who continue to strengthen the game in every corner of the province.

We're excited about what's ahead and invite everyone to get involved in our upcoming programs, events, and development opportunities. Full details and registration links can always be found at <https://www.footballsaskatchewan.ca>.

## Upcoming Coach Events and Development Opportunities

### FOOTBALL SASKATCHEWAN'S ANNUAL COACHES CLINIC



Football Saskatchewan's Annual Coaches Clinic will be held on March 20 & 21 at Centennial Collegiate High School in Saskatoon! Football Saskatchewan, the Saskatchewan Roughriders & U Sports are working together to provide top quality coaches to present at this year's clinic!

To register for the clinic, please visit: <https://app.teamlink.com/register/find/footballsaskatchewan>

**\$125 per coach - Special Offer: Register 4 coaches from your staff, and 1 attends FREE!**

*(Select "Pay Later" at checkout, and an adjusted invoice will be emailed once all four coaches register individually.)*

**\*\*\*Please let your assistant coaches know about the clinic!!**

### NCCP COURSES & SAFE CONTACT TRAINING

Football Saskatchewan will be offering two NCCP Competition Introduction courses in March (positional & coordinator), along with multiple Safe Contact courses held throughout the spring and summer across the province. Communities interested in hosting a Safe Contact course are encouraged to contact Technical Director Cam Skinner at [cskinner@footballsaskatchewan.ca](mailto:cskinner@footballsaskatchewan.ca). To register for any upcoming courses, please visit: <https://app.teamlink.com/register/find/footballsaskatchewan>

### VISUAL EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS (HELMETS & SHOULDER PADS)

Football Saskatchewan is pleased to support high school and minor tackle programs with free visual equipment inspections and fitting seminars. Brad Herschmiller (former Saskatchewan Roughrider Equipment Manager), in conjunction with Football Saskatchewan, will travel to communities and work directly with coaches to help ensure equipment is safe and properly fitted.

To keep inspections as efficient as possible, sessions will be scheduled by regional request at a centrally located school, and coaches will transport their equipment to the inspection site. To request an inspection, please contact:

- Mike Thomas (Regina): (306) 780-9239
- Jeff Yausie (Saskatoon): (306) 975-0827
- Brad Herschmiller: (306) 536-2637



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## Athlete Opportunities

### SASKATCHEWAN COMBINES (MALE & FEMALE)



The Saskatchewan Combines are an important opportunity for athletes in grades 8–11 (male) & grades 7-12 (female) to measure their skills alongside top talent from across the province. These combines include athletic testing and positional drills, with elite coaches from the WW CFL, U Sports, and CJFL programs in attendance to support athlete development.

The combines also include testing used for Football Saskatchewan programs, and athletes are strongly encouraged to attend.

**Female Combine:** February 14 – Martensville

**Male Combine:** February 28 – Moose Jaw

Full details are available on the Football Saskatchewan website: <https://www.footballsaskatchewan.ca/combine>

### TEAM SASKATCHEWAN TRYOUTS AND HIGH-PERFORMANCE PROGRAMS



Football Saskatchewan's Team Saskatchewan programming provides athletes with the opportunity to train, compete, and represent the province at regional and national events. Tryouts and selection camps will be taking place throughout the spring, with opportunities across tackle and flag programs.

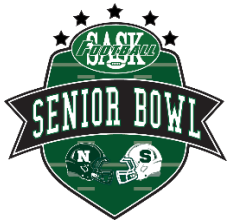
#### Programs include:

- Indigenous Team Saskatchewan
- Female Elite Flag Team Saskatchewan (U16, U18, U19)
- Male and Female U16 Team Saskatchewan
- Male U17 Team Saskatchewan
- Male and Female U18 Team Saskatchewan
- Senior Women's Team Sask

Tryout dates, eligibility, and registration details can be found at:

<https://www.footballsaskatchewan.ca/femaleteamsk> or <https://www.footballsaskatchewan.ca/maleteamsk>

### SENIOR BOWL



The 2026 Senior Bowl will feature one showcase game that brings together the different streams of football played across Saskatchewan. Players will be selected through Senior Bowl selection camps, and the event will include elite coaching representation from across the province.

**Selection Camps:** May 9 and 10 (Saskatoon and Regina)

**Senior Bowl Weekend:** May 22–24 (Regina)

Full details available on the Football Saskatchewan website: <https://www.footballsaskatchewan.ca/seniorbowl>



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## PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CAMPS



Player Development Camps focus on improving athlete fundamentals through skills, drills, and technique. These camps are designed for development, not evaluation, and feature elite coaches from the **CFL, U Sports, CJFL, WWCFL, and high school** football community. PD Camps will be held in multiple locations across the province.

Dates and locations are posted at <https://www.footballsaskatchewan.ca/PDcamps>

## SANCTIONED PRIVATE CAMPS

With the rise of private football camps across Canada, it's important for parents to stay informed about potential risks. Unlike sanctioned programs, many private camps may not follow proper training protocols, lack certified coaches, or have inadequate insurance coverage. Without oversight, these factors can increase the risk of injuries and improper athlete development.

At Football Saskatchewan, our priority is the safety and long-term development of all athletes. While players are free to attend any camps they choose, we strongly encourage parents to ask the right questions before enrolling their child.

To ensure a camp meets recognized safety and development standards, look for the Football Saskatchewan logo. Camps that carry our endorsement are sanctioned, follow Sport Canada's Long-Term Athlete Development (LTAD) Model, and meet coaching certification and insurance requirements. If you have any questions about a camp's credentials or would like guidance on selecting the right program for your athlete, please reach out to us. To help athletes train with confidence, Football Saskatchewan is highlighting the following sanctioned and insured camps:

## ALLPRO QB & REC CAMP



Football Saskatchewan has partnered with Paul LaPolice's ALLPRO camp again in 2026! The camp is open to all QBs & receivers in grades 6-12. Running backs who are interested in becoming better receivers are also encouraged to attend. Groups will be broken up by age and ability, and the camp is being held at the Martensville Recreation Centre on April 12. For more information and to register visit: <https://www.allprocamp.com>

## NEXT LEVEL FOOTBALL CAMP



Football Saskatchewan is excited to announce their partnership with Next Level for their camp. The camp will provide young athletes with the opportunity to improve their skills in ALL positions & special teams, with a true CFL-style practice approach that covers all phases of the game. The camp will include Indy drills, 1-on-1s, special teams, offensive and defensive scrimmages, red zone work, film study, and more.

**When:** April 4 & 5

**Where:** Saskatoon Sports Centre.

**Visit:** <https://www.nextlevelacademys.com> to register & for more info.