



# Governors' Cup All-Star Football, June 28, 2008



Since 1999, the Connecticut and Rhode Island High School Coaches Associations have organized and conducted an interstate All-Star football game that showcases some of the finest high school senior athletes in New England. Each November, top coaches are nominated and selected by their respective coaches' associations for this prestigious coaching honor. This year, the Connecticut All-Star team will be led by Jim Buonocore of Fitch High School while the Rhode Island team will be led by Keith Kenyon of North Kingston

High School.

In January, every high school football program in Connecticut and Rhode Island is invited to nominate seniors for all-star game consideration. Of the hundreds of athletes vying for tryout spots, approximately 200 players were invited to test at "combines" held in their respective states. Ultimately, 55 players were chosen for each team. Practices are held for 10 days leading up to the big game. For the third year in a row, the game will take place at Rentschler Field in East Hartford, home to the University of Connecticut Huskies, on Saturday evening, June 28,

2008 at 7:15 PM. In early spring, the Connecticut All-Star team and their coaches are recognized by Connecticut State Legislators at the Capitol in Hartford.

As the Governors' Cup has begun increasing profits from the event, they have been able to make charitable contributions to the community. Last year donations were made to the Channel 3 Summer Kid's Camp, Juvenile Diabetes and CARC. This year will be no different as charities will once again be the beneficiary of any profits.



# Connecticut-Rhode Island All-Star Football Game Tickets Only \$8.00!

The CT vs. RI All-Star Football game committees with the cheerleading committee have planned an NFL Youth Football and Cheerleading Day. The Governors' Cup, which follows, is a charity football game in which all proceeds, after expenses, go toward designated charities. The game will take place at 7:15 PM at Rentschler Field in East Hartford on Saturday, June 28, 2008. Activities begin at 1:30 PM with the Youth Football clinic and 3:30 PM for the Cheerleading Clinic.

To find out more information regarding the events for youths, please check out our website at [cthssports.com](http://cthssports.com), where you may also register online for either the NFL Youth day football clinic or the Cheerleading Day.

Admission to the game is still only \$8.00 and admission to the NFL Youth Football Clinic and Cheerleading Clinic is free. Please call John Fontana at 860-628-4122 for information on the clinics or the game.

## 2008 All-Star Connecticut Team

PLAYER	SCHOOL	PLAYER	SCHOOL
Derek Williams	Xavier	Mike D'Angelo	Cromwell
Torrey Mack	Stratford	Jaizz Nealy	Bloomfield
Josh Maignon	Stamford	Alex Thomas	Ansonia
Nathan Pagan	Newington	Mwamba Williams	Windsor
Jonathan Jackson	Bunnell	Trevardo Williams	Bridgeport Central
Lorenzo Baker	Middletown	Julian Stanford	Bloomfield
Matt Coyne	Bristol Central	Matthew Delconte	Berlin
Ryan Katon	Xavier	Richard Perry	Middletown
Alfredo Frausto	Cromwell	Chase Mayoussier	Southington
Ziggy Bailey	Windsor	Matt Walker	Pomperaug
Joshua Hudson	New Britain	Earl Wilson	New London
Mike Escobar	Danbury	Mike Flynn	Ansonia
Rob Moir	Seymour	Mike Mainiero	Shelton
Bobby Shepherd	Fitch	Kyle Parrish	Weaver
James Hodges	Wethersfield	Dewayne Guscott	Bridgeport Central
Jack Cooper	Berlin	Kyle Duncan	New Canaan
Jamal Gaston	Fitch	Benjamin Chapman	Stonington
Johrone Bunch	Maloney	Rashaad Bass	Ansonia
Israel Burgos	Southington	AJ Tillman	New London
Nathan Tyler	Northwest Catholic	Chris Willadsen	South Windsor
Octavias McKoy	Stratford	Richard Boebel	Bristol Eastern
Efrain Rodriguez	Hartford Public	Reshannon Stanley	Weaver
Jim Desautels	East Catholic	Erik Matos	West Haven
Louis "BJ" Aponte	New Britain	Lorenzo Hemingway	Capital Prep
Sam Dukes	Hartford Public	Tristan Roberts	Conard
Geoff Shultz	Shelton	Aaron Smith	Hillhouse
Michael Easley	Bunnell	Keatric Redding-Hall	Weaver
Tim McNeil	Ledyard		

## 2008 All-Star Rhode Island Team

PLAYER	SCHOOL	PLAYER	SCHOOL
Hershel Williams	Shea	Dan Hayes	St. Raphael
Jordan Monk	St. Raphael	Geoff Gillson	Cranston East
Josh Ponte	South Kingstown	Tahj Eddington	Juanita Sanchez
Stanley Dunbar	St. Raphael	Brent Semple	North Kingston
John Pedrotty	Portsmouth	Will Lopes	St. Raphael
Hans Hall	St. Raphael	Matt Greenhaigh	Ponaganset
Bryan Dewitt	Rogers	Rob Maggiacomo	La Salle
Josh Perry	South Kingstown	Greg Dube	South Kingstown
Rob Carbone	Cranston West	Bobby Booth	Bishop Hendricken
Darren Williams	Hendricken	Justin Rapp	St. Raphael
Nate Lovett	East Providence	Craig Argencourt	St. Raphael
Andrew Ferreira	Hendricken	Brandon Sherratt	St. Raphael
Emmanuel Tutu	Classical	JR Whesu	Classical
Branford Sowah	Bishop Hendricken	Tom Davis	East Greenwich
Alex Mendez	Cranston West	Riley O'Brien	North Kingstown
Anthony Petrarca	Warwick	Jacob Burton	East Providence
Alex Loewenthal	Cranston West	Patrick Onye	Classical
Zak Gumkowski	East Greenwich	Daniel Perkins	Classical
Roablas Lumpkins	Mt. Pleasant	Ray Bundy	La Salle
Ron Woodley	East Providence	Ron Durfee	Chariho
John Perrotti	North Kingstown	Ruben Bonzalez	Central
Mark Laurito	La Salle	Nick Rodrigues	La Salle
Thomas Cole	Classical	Josh Janes	La Salle
Joe Saunders	Rogers	Jim Jaworski	Bishop Hendricken
Howard Robinson	Central	Neal Rooney	La Salle

### DIRECTIONS TO RENTSCHLER FIELD

**FROM THE NORTH:** Take I-91 South to Hartford to I-84 East (Exit 32 - left exit). Follow 84 East to exit 58, Roberts Street Silver Lane. On the exit ramp keep to the right and continue straight through Silver Lane into the Rentschler Field Main Gate.

**FROM THE SOUTH:** Take I-91 North to Hartford to Route 15 North to I-84 East/Charter Oak Bridge (Exit. 29). Merge left onto Route 15. After bridge, take Exit 91 Silver Lane. Turn right at end of ramp onto Silver Lane. Follow Silver Lane toward the Rentschler Field Main Gate.

**FROM THE SOUTHWEST:** Take either I-84 East or I-91 North. Follow directions above from the South. From Route 15 North, follow to Exit 91 Silver Lane. See directions above from the South.

**FROM THE EAST:** I-384: Take Route 6 West or Route 44 West to I-384 West. Follow I-384 West to Manchester. Take Exit 1 Spencer Street. Turn left at end of ramp

onto Spencer Street. Follow Spencer Street onto Silver Lane in East Hartford. Follow Silver Lane to Rentschler Field East Gate.

**I-84:** Take I-84 West toward Hartford to Exit 58, Roberts Street/Silver Lane. At end of ramp, turn left onto Roberts Street and follow to Silver Lane. Merge into one lane and continue straight through Silver Lane into the Rentschler Field Main Gate.

**FROM THE SOUTHEAST:** Via Route 2: Take Route 2 West toward Hartford. Take I-84 East to Exit 58 Roberts Street/Silver Lane. On exit ramp, keep to the right and continue straight through Silver Lane into the Rentschler Field Main Gate.

**FROM THE WEST:** Take I-84 East toward Hartford. Follow I-84 East to Exit 58 Roberts Street/Silver Lane. On the exit ramp, keep to the right and continue straight through Silver Lane into the Rentschler Field Main Gate.

# NFL Youth Football and Cheerleading Clinics Planned for Governors' Cup Event

The CT vs. RI All-Star Football Game committees along with the cheerleading committee have planned an NFL Youth Football and Cheerleading Day. The Governors' Cup, which follows, is a football game featuring the best senior players from CT and RI. This day's events will take place at Rentschler Field, East Hartford on Saturday, June 28, 2008 beginning at 1:30 PM for the Youth Football Clinic and 3:30 PM for the Cheerleading Clinic.

## Awards to Honor Past Coaches

The CT-RI Governors' Cup Football Committee will honor six coaches each year at its annual football game. On the field at the end of the game the following awards will be presented in honor of past football coaches from each state:

### **RHODE ISLAND:**

**Bruce Mastracchio**, *Cranston West*

**Ted Stebbins**, *Cranston East*

**Jerry Zeoli**, *Moses Brown*

### **CONNECTICUT:**

**James Buonocore**, *New London*

**Bob Mastroni**, *Bunnell*

**Michael Ellis**, *Waterford*

For the cheerleaders the clinic will consist of events such as conditioning, motions, jumps, learning chants, cheers and a presentation on sportsmanship. A cost of a ticket for the All-Star game and online registration is all that is needed to participate.

Cheerleaders must register online at [cthssports.com](http://cthssports.com) between May 1 and June 19 to participate. This information and how to register is posted on [cthssports.com](http://cthssports.com). The registration will have a limit on the number of participants accepted for the clinic.

In addition to the clinic, during the football game, for the second year, Connecticut will have All-Star Cheerleaders performing during the game. The Connecticut All-Star Cheerleaders were chosen from the top five All-State Senior Cheerleaders in the LL, L, M and S divisions in the State of Connecticut.

Come, enjoy the fun and be a part of an exciting day!

To purchase tickets contact John Fontana, P.O. Box 632, Southington, CT 06489 or call 860-628-4122, fax 860-628-7652 or e-mail: [jfontana01@snet.net](mailto:jfontana01@snet.net). Or, you may register online between May 1 and June 19 at [cthssports.com](http://cthssports.com).

## Governors' Cup Coaching Staff Announced

Coaches for this year's Governors' Cup All-Star Football game have been announced.

They are for Connecticut: Head Coach Jim Buonocore from Fitch High School; assistants Sean Marinan, Xavier High School; Bill Mella, Southington High School; Tom Brockett, Ansonia High School; Marc Romano, St. Bernard High School; Andy Guyon, Derby High School; Mike Tyler, Northwest Catholic; Roy Roberts, Bloomfield High School; John Ferrazzi, Sheehan High School; Harry Bellucci, Hartford Public; Chris Fulton, Capital Prep High School; Peter Cox, Bridgeport Central High School; and Mark Condon, Xavier High School.

Coaches for Rhode Island include: Head Coach Keith Kenyon, North Kingstown; assistants Kris McCall, Classical; Ray Ciarleglio, North Kingstown; Dick Downey, Cranston East; Steve Stoehr, Cranston West; Bill Samiagio, Westerly; Tom Milewski, Cranston West; Frank Newsome, Rogers; Terry Lynch, South Kingstown; and Mike Kelly, Charliho.

## Ticket Information

All tickets are \$8.00 each and everyone must have a ticket to go through the gates. There are no passes except for the media. John Fontana may be contacted for ticket purchases at: P.O. Box 632, Southington, CT 06489 or phone 860-628-4122, fax 860-628-7652 or e-mail at [jfontana01@snet.net](mailto:jfontana01@snet.net). All checks must be made payable to the Connecticut High School Coaches Association or CHSCA. Tickets will be mailed back to you with no handling charges applied. You will be allowed to tailgate, but no open coal-burning fires are allowed.

Please do everything possible to help sell tickets to this game. We have worked very hard to place this game in a major atmosphere for a very good cause and we need bodies in the seats!

## ***MOVING?***

If you have any change of address or telephone number, please contact the **CHSCA Office at: P.O. Box 632, Southington, CT 06489** or **860-628-4122** or e-mail to [jfontana01@snet.net](mailto:jfontana01@snet.net).

We have had several instances where members have not received their newsletters and other CHSCA mailings. To save on costs, we mail third class and the Post Office **DOES NOT FORWARD** third class mail. Please notify us so we can get these mailings to you.



# YOUTH FOOTBALL

## Dream Big. Play Big.

The Connecticut vs. Rhode Island All-Star Football Game Committee and the NFL Youth Football program have created an NFL Youth Football Day. This day will take place at the beautiful Rentschler Field on Saturday, June 28, 2008 beginning at 1:30 PM. This day will consist of events designed to test basic skills of players in each age group from 9 to 14 years of age. The players will also receive instruction by position from some of the finest football coaches in Connecticut.

The contests will include running and agility stations. The winners in each event in each age bracket will receive a plaque and recognition with the parents during the game that evening.

Any youngster who has participated in Youth Football will begin to register online at [cthssports.com](http://cthssports.com) on May 1. Information and how to register will be posted on this website. The registration will have a limit on the number of participants accepted for the competition, but any others may take part in the clinics.

Any Youth League or individual having questions about this day's events may call John Fontana at 860-628-4122.



*The CHSCA is pleased to announce the U.S. Marines have joined the CHSCA as one of our newest partners. You will be seeing a visual presence of the U.S. Marines at many of our functions. We certainly appreciate this highly recognized association joining forces with the CHSCA. The U.S. Marines has partnered with us on All-State banquets, No. 1 team trophy in individual sports, All-Star games, the newsletter, website and much more. Pictured above are, from left to right, U.S. Marine Corp. Captain Jason Maloney, CHSCA Executive Director John Fontana and U.S. Marine Corp. Major Lawrence C. Coleman.*

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### Connecticut High School Coaches Association & Executive Director John J. Fontana's Contact Information

The Connecticut High School Coaches Association has a phone number, separate fax number and e-mail address for you to contact us 24 hours a day:

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You may leave a phone message or contact us via e-mail and we will get back to you as quickly as possible. Superintendents, principals and coaches have had many questions dealing with athletics in our state. We are here to serve you and hope this will make things easier. The mailing address is:

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