



## **WHAT DOES OPTIONAL TRAVEL MEAN FOR YOUR FAMILY!**

Tri City Youth Football offers both Travel football and In-House (CFL) football. Our CFL program was started 5 years ago, and has been very successful.

The past "Travel Policy" was a travel coach had "first right of refusal" on ALL athletes, meaning the travel coach chose whether or not your child traveled. 2 years ago, we introduced "optional travel" which gave the families the opportunity to choose where their child played (CFL or Travel)

This policy is still in place for 2011. However, the structure will be more clearly defined, and enforced.

The major differences between CFL and TRAVEL are:

CFL games are always played on our home fields.

TRAVEL only half of travel games are played at home, there is a regional playoff format, and national playoff system for the teams.

CFL the coaches follow an 11 on 11 off format, so NO player sits on the sidelines during a game.

TRAVEL there is an 8 play minimum for ALL players.

*Please be aware that once a decision is made to try out for the Travel program you will be restricted to a travel team if selected by a coach.*

Both programs are competitive, with rigorous practice schedules that will develop player's fundamental skills. Either program requires commitment from the family as well as the player.

The TRAVEL level is geared towards players with more advanced athletic abilities. These players will be playing against the best athletes that other towns have at their specific weight class. The travel teams offer a Regional play-off, and an optional National tournament. This would allow these athletes the opportunity to test their skills against the best in the Nation.