



New York City Metropolitan  
Football & Cheerleading



December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Dear Youth Coach,

The third annual AAU 8<sup>th</sup> Grade All-Star game will be held on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at the new Erasmus Hall football field located at Avenue M and Macdonald Avenue. The game will be broadcast at a later date on BCAT and on the Internet. This game is open to all leagues around the city, and was started to highlight the 8<sup>th</sup> grade talent from around the boroughs.

For the second year, the game is being presented under the sanction of AAU, one of the oldest and most respected amateur sports organizations in the country. All players are required to join AAU to be eligible to participate in the game. The event is fully insured through AAU, and all players are covered under AAU insurance through their membership.

This year's game is an East vs West format: Brooklyn/Queens versus Bronx/Manhattan. We are asking participating teams to recommend up to 5 deserving 8<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in the game. Inasmuch as this is going to be a true all-star game, **please only send those players who are truly deserving**. We are limiting participation to 40 players per team, and if we have more than 40 players tryout for the team, there may be cuts.

In order to encourage bigger crowds and to create a more exciting environment for the All-Stars, we are asking each participating youth organization to purchase 50 youth tickets for \$1.00 each (face value \$2.00) and to encourage other players from your organization to come out and support your All-Stars.

Registration for the All-Star game is \$50.00 per player. This year, All-Stars will receive: (1) a game jersey, (2) an all-star hoodie, and (4) an all-star hat. There will also be awards for the outstanding player on both teams. As is tradition, both teams will be coached by high school coaches.

This year there will be two practice sites:

Team	Date	Time	Location
Brooklyn/Queens	Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> , Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> , Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	5:30pm – 8:00pm	Erasmus Hall Field Corner of Macdonald Ave & Ave. M
	Sat. 17 <sup>th</sup>	12:00pm – 4:00pm	Erasmus Hall Field Corner of Macdonald Ave & Ave. M
Bronx/Manhattan	Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> , Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> , Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	5:30pm – 8:00pm	Harlem River Park 128 <sup>th</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue
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For your information we are including a copy of the player forms and the game flyer as an attachment to this letter. Forms can also be downloaded from the game website at [www.MetroAAUFootball.org](http://www.MetroAAUFootball.org). If you have any questions, please contact Bill Solomon at 917-667-5193.

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