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Enables you to get into position on the field.
3. **WATCH THE BALL, GLANCE AT THE RUNNERS.**
Must know when to take your eye off of the ball.
4. **CHEST TO THE BALL.**
Always Face The Ball At All Times.
5. **ANGLE/DISTANCE.**
Get As Much Distance As Play Will Allow, **Angle First!!!**
6. **BE SET.**
You Must Be Set To See The Play, To Make The Call.
7. **ADJUST.**
Constantly.
8. **OPEN THE GATE.**
Know When To Do It.
9. **ECHO YOUR PARTNER.**
Know Responsibilities; Balks, Overthrows, Time. Knowing these will lead to less Confusion on the Field.

“It’s What You Learn After You Know It All That Counts.”