## 2025 GameChanger – Otsego Youth Football - Coaches How-To -

## Coaches,

This year we will be using GameChanger to help provide parents with easier access to schedules and allow you to more easily communicate with parents. Many times, especially at the lower levels, multiple parents, caretakers and friends are needed to help get children to practices and games. This app allows you AND parents to add as many people as necessary to be a part of the team and communicate with all of them as a group and individually.

There are a few steps to setting this up correctly. Any team volunteer can run your app experience, as long as they are a registered volunteer within SportsConnect (what you used to sign your child up for the league). If you or another coach from your team is unsure which email you used to create your SportsConnect account, please contact <a href="mailto:odawgsrocketfootball@gmail.com">odawgsrocketfootball@gmail.com</a>. Please view the steps below for an easy guide to setting up your account. You only have to do it one and doesn't take long. In the long run, it makes it easier for you and the multitude of parents/caretakers that you communicate with.

## Set Up Steps

- 1. All coaches download the app from your phone's App Store.
- 2. Make a FREE account ensure you use the same email that you created your SportsConnect account with for GameChanger.
- 3. Wait for your division leader to confirm that all teams have been entered into Sports Connect.
- 4. Coaches can then add your team to your account with the directions provided. (see page 2)
- 5. Coaches can manually add in your practices (optional).
- 6. Coaches can add parents to the team (How to add parents: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Flo22R3l3Y">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Flo22R3l3Y</a>)

A communication will go out to parents via email explaining how to download the app and stay in touch with the coach. This will not happen until all teams are entered into Sports Connect (Step 3 above).

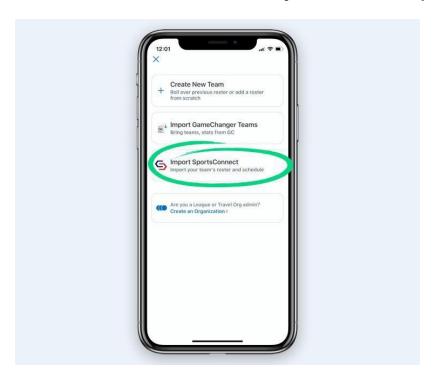
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Thanks!
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## **How to Import Your Sports Connect Team**

You can import your team, along with its roster and schedule, from Sports Connect into GameChanger. Before importing your team, you must download the GameChanger app from the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android). Additionally, the following requirements must be true:

- You are using the same email address for GameChanger that you use for Sports Connect.
- Your team's roster is posted on the Sports Connect website.
- You are an allocated volunteer for your team on the Sports Connect site.



- 1. Sign in to GameChanger with the same email address you use with Sports Connect.
- 2. Tap Create Team or the "+" sign to create a new team.
- 3. Choose the option to **Import Sports Connect**.
- 4. If you haven't already confirmed your email address, click **Open Email App** which will direct you to your email. Select **Confirm Email Address**, and you'll be redirected back to the GameChanger app.
- 5. Select the team(s) to import. Make sure the team(s) you want to import have a check next to them, and then tap import in the upper corner of the screen. You will see the status of teams importing at the bottom of the screen