



SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION

FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

SUBMIT TO

City of Vicksburg
Attn: Office of the City Clerk
P. O. Box 150
Vicksburg, MS 39181-0150

Or email:
dnickson@vicksburg.org

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE FORWARDED TO THE COMMITTEE

Organization Name: Warren County Ravens

Physical Address of the Event: 3701 Drummond Street Vicksburg, MS 39180

Mailing Address: 2926 Park Street Vicksburg, MS 39180

Telephone Number: 601 415-9022

Website Address: Warren County Ravens Youth Sports Fan Page Facebook

Primary Contact Name: Harold Knight

Title: Head Coach

Telephone No: 601-415-9022

Email Address: bustaknight51@yahoo.com

Secondary Contact Name: Crystal Walker

Title: Administrator

Telephone No: 601-642-0512

Email Address: crystalwalker87@gmail.com

If you are applying on behalf of another organization, please provide contact information for that organization:

Organization: _____

Contact Name: _____

Telephone No: _____

Email Address: _____

Complete The Following Questions Regarding Your Request For City Sponsorship Consideration

Event Date: August 2025-December 2025 TBD

(Must be between October 1, 2024-September 30, 2025)

1. Is your request for:

(Check all that apply)

☐ In-Kind Sponsorship (specify in question 6)

☒ Cash Sponsorship Amount Requested: \$ 5000.00

2. Briefly state your organization's mission and purpose.

Warren County Ravens is mission is to equip the youth of Warren County and surrounding areas the fundamentals of football along with life skills of how to conduct yourself in society.

3. Describe the event in which funds are being requested to support.

The funds will be used to sponsor youth who have the want and desire to play football and not the means to cover the cost.

4. Explain how your organization and/or event further a charitable cause, economic or community growth, or serve a public interest?

Being a part of the organization will help kids stay in a positive sport that will keep them focused and out of the streets.

5. Provide detail on how the requested funds will be used support the event partially or in full.

Funds will be used to purchase uniforms of under privileged youth, workout equipment, game day essentials and end of year awards for participants.

6. Select all in-kind services the organization is requesting for the event:

- ☐ a) Park and facilities fees
- ☐ b) Park Personnel (maintenance and building attendants)
- ☐ c) Police Personnel
- ☐ d) Fire Personnel
- ☐ e) Other services not listed (please specify) _____
- ☒ f) Not requesting in-kind services

7. Identify and provide all other funding requests for this event. Provide attachments if needed.

Source	Pending	Approved	Dollar Amount
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$

8. Anticipated Attendance: _____

9. Explain in detail how the event, program, or exhibition marketing plan will promote the City of Vicksburg.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

The information provided in this application is for the purpose of obtaining sponsorship funding from the City of Vicksburg on behalf of the undersigned. Each undersigned representative warrants the information provided within this application and its attachments are true and complete until a written notice of change is provided to the City of Vicksburg. The City of Vicksburg is authorized to make all inquiries necessary to verify the accuracy of the provided information.

Harold Knight
Requestor

3/28/2025
Date

Printed Name of Requestor from Above Harold Knight



SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL

We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future. Do you want to be a part of building our youth for the future?



Warren County Ravens Youth Football and Cheer Sponsorship Proposal

Dear Community Partner,

The city of Vicksburg, MS is home to the youth football and cheer organization known as the Warren County Ravens. The organization was founded in 2016 in an effort to help youth to hone in and grow their skills in the sports of football and cheer. Each year, the organization has grown in size, as more youth want to be involved in such a great organization.

The organization has won several championships including super bowls and state championships since the organization was founded. The cheer organization has won several cheer competitions beating out 6 or more cheer squads. Several players who started their craft with the organization have gone on to sign with numerous community and 4 year colleges. These players often come back during summer breaks to help develop the newer athletes and give them encouraging words for growth.

Every child that crosses our organizations path deserves a chance at participating in a sport they will grow to love and to build friendships that will last a lifetime. With the help of your business, the organization can offer these children a chance to start learning fundamentals and values that will continue to help further them along in their paths.

You can help us continue to provide kids with these opportunities by becoming a sponsor. The parents and athletes at our organization love to support the businesses that support them. This sponsorship will give you a direct connection to our organization's parents, athletes, and fans where you can extend special offers, discounts, and messages of encouragements.

You will find a summary of the sponsorship enclosed with this letter.

Educating and supporting our youth is the best way to invest in a prosperous future. When our community works together, we win together! Thank you for your time and your consideration.

Harold Knight

Warren County Ravens Youth Football & Cheer League is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization
Level 2

Tax ID# 82-0747387 in Vicksburg, MS

Address: 2926 Park Street Vicksburg, Ms 39180

Warren County Ravens Youth Football & Cheerleader Sponsorship Proposal

Sponsor Package

\$250 First Down Package

- ❖ Your Company name listed on sponsor page of our team website www.facebook.com/warrencountyravensyouthsportsgroup with link to your web site.
- ❖ Your company will be given a sponsorship certificate thanking you for your support.

\$500 Touchdown Package

- ❖ All first down package items.
- ❖ Your company name will be announced at all half-time home games.

\$1000 Playoff Package

- ❖ All touchdown package items.
- ❖ Your company will be given a sponsorship plaque thanking you for your support.
- ❖ Company information listed on sponsor banner displayed at every game.
- ❖ Warren County Ravens jersey (1)
- ❖ Hyperlinks to a designated URL.

\$2500 Super Bowl Package

- ❖ All playoff package items.
- ❖ Company brochures/coupons/business cards will be handed out at all home games and fundraising events.
- ❖ Warren County Ravens jersey (1)
- ❖ Hyperlinks to a designated URL.

\$5000 Hall of Fame Package

- ❖ All super bowl package items
- ❖ Hall of Fame sponsor plaque (this will replace plaque from previous package).
- ❖ Give away footballs with company information thrown out at every home game.
- ❖ Banner Ad. Page-width ad with image/logo. Hyperlinks to a designated URL.
- ❖ Warren County Ravens Jersey (1)
- ❖

SPONSORSHIP/DONATION FORM

We are pleased to support Warren County Ravens Youth Football & Cheer League.

A financial donation in the amount of \$ _____ has been included with this form in exchange for the sponsorship option indicated below:

Donation Sponsor Packages:

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|---|--------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-Down Package | \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Touchdown Package | \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Playoff Package | \$1000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Super Bowl Package | \$2500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hall of Fame Package | \$5000 |

Gifts such as cases of water or sodas, containers of powered energy drink mix (such as Gatorade or PowerAde), pre-packaged individual snacks such as chips, snack bars, etc. will be accepted.

*Please contact Harold Knight, Crystal Walker, DeCorey Knight, Jeremy Judge, Eric Perkins to discuss the donation of these items.

Contact Information:

Organization Name/Contact Person: _____

Address:

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

Please make **Check** payable to WCR Youth Football & Cheer

Warren County Ravens Youth Football & Cheer League

Donation Drop-offs can be arranged by contacting Harold Knight (601-415-9022) , Crystal Walker (601-642-0512)

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Print or type
See Specific Instructions on page 2.

Name (as shown on your income tax return)

Harold Knight

Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

Warren County Ravens

Check appropriate box for federal tax classification:

☐ Individual/sole proprietor ☒ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶

☐ Other (see instructions) ▶

Exemptions (see instructions):

Exempt payee code (if any) _____

Exemption from FATCA reporting
code (if any) _____

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)

2926 Park Street

City, state, and ZIP code

Vicksburg Ms 39180

Requester's name and address (optional)

Harold R. Knight

2926 Park Street

Vicksburg Ms 39180

List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number

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Employer identification number

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below), and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign
Here

Signature of
U.S. person ▶

Date ▶

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. The IRS has created a page on www.irs.gov/w9 for information about Form W-9, at www.irs.gov/w9. Information about any future developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) will be posted on that page.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, payments made to you in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the

withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct.

Note. If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.