

**2017**



***Parent's Information***



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**Congratulations Parents/Guardians!**

Your son has been selected from hundreds of others in North and South Carolina high schools to participate in the 81th Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas High School All-Star Football Championship Game. This game has been played for 80 years without a break and is the premiere high school senior All-Star football game in the country. Today, over 50 of our former players are playing in the NFL and several are nationally recognized stars on their respective college teams. Your son is in great company and we hope and expect that the week of the Shrine Bowl will be one of the best highlights of his career to date. This year, the game will be played at Gibbs Stadium, Wofford College in Spartanburg, South Carolina on Saturday, December 16, 2017.

The Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas was created to provide high school athletes from both states an opportunity to participate in an all-star game football game. Since 1937, Shriners from North and South Carolina have been involved and supported the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas. The Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas is the oldest and most prestigious high school all-star football game in America. What makes this event unique is that it is completely run and organized by Shrine volunteers. The coaches are chosen by the Shrine Bowl Athletic Director and the players are chosen by the two state Shrine Bowl coaching staffs. Shriners have no involvement in the drafting process. We only supply the venue, organization and execution during the week leading up to the game.

Each team has 44 players, one Head Coach and six Assistant Coaches. Up to six players from any one given school were placed in a pool of names from their respective state. The state coaching staffs drafted their teams from this pool of players. No more than two players could be drafted from any given high school. The teams are to arrive for the Shrine Bowl Game Week game on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. They start their week by visiting the Shriners Hospitals for Children

in Greenville, South Carolina the following day. At the hospital, the players have an opportunity to see and learn firsthand what their weeks' worth of work will accomplish.

During the week, the players and coaches go through grueling and intense practice sessions at Dorman High School, 1050 Cavalier Way, Roebuck, SC 29376. The players are supervised by members of the Shrine Bowl Game Committee. These Shriners are housed with the players all week and will take care of any problems that may arise. Meals are provided for the players, coaches and Shriners during game week, thanks to the game's generous sponsors. On Friday night, in front of family and friends, the players and coaches are honored at a banquet where various awards are presented and a prominent college coach is a guest speaker. Saturday's game kicks off at 2:00 pm.

### **The Players Packet and Parents Information**

Included is information on this year's game from player registration to ways you as parents/guardians can help us make this a successful ball game. It is important that you review the papers in detail and call us with any questions you might have. The Player Registration and Code of Conduct forms can be mailed, faxed or emailed to the Shrine Bowl Office.

Please make an extra effort to review with your son the dress code and what to bring. We are confident our dress code matches the normal dress codes in their high schools.

### **Complete and return immediately:**

To the Shrine Bowl Office:

- Player Acceptance Page

To the Shrine Bowl Medical Staff:

- Player Medical Forms

Due to HIPAA regulations the Medical Forms are to be filled out, signed and sent to our Medical Staff by **November 20th**: emailed to mgatc@aol.com or mailed to:

Garner Magnet High School (South Campus)  
Attn: Mike Guerrero  
8228 Hebron Church Rd.  
Garner, NC 27529

## **Charity of Choice**

Shriners Hospitals for Children®



Shriners Hospitals for Children is a one-of-a-kind international health care system of 22 hospitals dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing pediatric specialty care, innovative research, and outstanding teaching programs for medical professionals. Children up to age 18 with orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate are eligible for care and receive all services in a family-centered environment, regardless of the patient's ability to pay. As a 501c (3) non-profit organization they rely on the generous donations of Shriners and the general public to carry out their mission.

Shriners with their many clubs and parade units have contributed millions of dollars to the Shriners Hospitals for Children. At half time of last year's game a check for over 2.4 million dollars was presented to the Shriners Hospitals, this represented the cumulative monies raised by the Shriners in North and South Carolina.

For more information on Shriners Hospitals for Children, please visit their website:

**[www.ShrinersHospitalsForChildren.org](http://www.ShrinersHospitalsForChildren.org)**

If you know of a child we can help, simply contact your local Shrine Center or Toll Free (800) 226-2747. We will handle the process from start to finish.

## **Tickets**

As the parents and/or guardian of a 2017 Shrine Bowl player you will receive 2 game tickets at Player Check-In on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be \$20.00 at the gate. The easiest way to purchase additional tickets for \$15.00 for your friends and other members of your family, by going to our website, [www.shrine-bowl.com](http://www.shrine-bowl.com). Tickets will also be on sale in November and December at NC/SC Academy Sports stores.



## **Schedule of Events**

A detailed schedule is also available on our website. We hope this information will give you some peace of mind knowing where your son will be during game week. You are invited to attend any of the functions listed, especially the visit to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Greenville, SC on Sunday, December 10th. An updated schedule of events will be available at the Shrine Bowl office in the Spartanburg Marriott Hotel during the Shrine Bowl week. Gates will open at 9:00 am Game Day and the Annual Youth Shrine Bowl will start at 10:00 am.

### **Lodging**

The Players, Coaches and their Team Escorts will be housed at the Spartanburg Marriott Hotel, 299 N. Church Street, Spartanburg, South Carolina during game week.

### **Banquet**

The Players/Coaches Awards Banquet will be on Friday, December 15, 2017 at 6:00 PM located at the Spartanburg Marriott Hotel, 299 N. Church Street, Spartanburg, South Carolina, it is general admission with the doors opening at 5:00 pm. We ask that you arrive early and be in your seats 15 minutes before the banquet starts. To Order Banquet tickets please go to our website, [www.shrine-bowl.com](http://www.shrine-bowl.com).

### **Game Program Recognition Page**

Out of all the high school senior athletes in the Carolinas, your son is one of 88 to be chosen to play in the Shrine Bowl's annual high school All-Star football gridiron classic. It is indeed an honor for him to be selected to this year's team and you can show your pride in his selection by honoring him with a recognition page in the game program book. Recognition by his parents, friends, classmates, coaches and booster club is something he will appreciate as he looks back over this book many years after the game is played. Also, you may consider asking a number of businesses to go in together to purchase the page. An instruction form to purchase a Recognition Page is also attached. If you receive solicitations from other newspapers/periodicals for advertising, be aware that their publications are not connected with the Shrine Bowl and the money they raise does not support our hospitals.

### **Game broadcast on ESPNU**

This year's Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas powered by OrthoCarolina will once again be aired live on ESPN3 on December 17 at 2pm, with taped delay airings of the game on ESPNU on December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00 pm and December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 am. A DVD of the telecast will be available for purchase in March 2018 from our office.

### **Contact Us**

Prior to Shrine Bowl Week, if you have any questions regarding the game week events do not hesitate to call us. Anyone in the Shrine Bowl office will be happy to provide you with information. Call 803-547-0300 or email Mary at [sb37offmgr@shrine-bowl.com](mailto:sb37offmgr@shrine-bowl.com). During Shrine Bowl Game Week we will have a satellite office set up at our headquarters hotel, the Spartanburg Marriot,

Spartanburg, SC, and our staff will be there to assist you. The phone number at the satellite office is 846-596-1211 (ask for the Shrine Bowl office).

### **Social Media**

We know you are excited about your son's selection to this year's 81<sup>th</sup> Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas football game. To help you keep up with all the activities leading up to Game Day, the links below list ways for you to stay informed with what is going on from now until kickoff.

**Website:** [www.shrine-bowl.com](http://www.shrine-bowl.com)

Our website offers rosters, announcements, and other various items from our history, beginning in 1937 to this year's game.

**Daily Game week Newspaper/Videos:**

[www.shrine-bowl.com](http://www.shrine-bowl.com) look under the media link.

**Like us on Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/ShrineBowlOfTheCarolinas](http://www.facebook.com/ShrineBowlOfTheCarolinas)

Our Facebook page gives you daily updates leading up to the game, and will also be updated during game week keeping you informed on what your son is doing.

**Follow us on:**

Twitter: ShrineBowlNCSC

Snapchat: ShrineBowlNCSC

We look forward to meeting you when you bring your son to the Spartanburg Marriot at Renaissance Park on Saturday, December 9th before 2 pm and throughout the entire week of the game. On your arrival on December 9, you may purchase Shrine Bowl clothing items. We thank you for your cooperation and support during this exciting event. Please contact us anytime if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Jamie Smith  
General Game Chairman

### **Sponsoring Shrine Centers**

SUDAN New Bern, NC, HEJAZ, Mauldin, SC, JAMIL, Columbia, SC, AMRAN, Raleigh, NC, OASIS, Charlotte, NC

**Benefits Shriners Hospitals for Children**

## DIRECTIONS TO SHRINERS HOSPITAL, GREENVILLE UNIT

Spartanburg Marriott  
299 North Church  
Street  
Spartanburg, SC  
29306

1. Head **northwest** on **N Church St** toward **E Daniel Morgan Ave**
2. Turn right onto **E Pearl St**
3. Turn left onto **N Pine St**
4. Continue onto **I-585 N**
5. Take the exit onto **I-85BUS S**
6. Merge onto **I-85 S**
7. Take exit **44** for **US-25/White Horse Rd**
8. Follow signs for **US-25 N/Greenville** and merge onto **US-25 N/White Horse Rd**
9. Turn right onto **Grove Rd**
10. Turn right onto **W Faris Rd**

