

Football Study Guide



<u>The Game</u> (the following describes how we play football in class)

- The game is started with a kick-off or a throw-off
- The ball starts on the **line of scrimmage** before it is hiked
- A touchdown is scored when the offensive team throws or runs the ball into the end zone

Players

- **Offense** the team in control of the football
 - **Quarterback** player who attempts to throw the ball to the receivers, the only player who can throw a forward pass
 - **Receivers** players who attempt to catch a thrown ball from the quarterback.
- **Defense** the team attempting to stop the offense from scoring

<u>Rules</u> (remember, these are based on our rules in class)

- 1. The offense has 4 downs to reach the next first down marker.
- 2. The offense earns a first down after two completed passes within four downs.
- **3.** Only one defender may blitz the quarterback.
- **4.** The defense is allowed one blitz every four downs.

Penalties

- **Offsides** when the defense crosses the line of scrimmage before the ball is put in play
- Holding when the defense grabs or uses hands illegally on an offensive player
- **Pass Interference** during the play, the defense makes contact with the receiver while the ball is in the air.

