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Albert Wilson skills camp back for a second year

Children in foster care welcome

Port St. Lucie - the bantam wide receiver from St. Lucie County who took college ball and then the NFL by storm - will be back home this summer with his Second Annual Albert Wilson Youth Skills Camp.

The camp is scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon, June 24, at Port St. Lucie High School. Spots are filling up fast.

Although all children, ages 6-18, are invited to register for this free football camp, special attention is given to children in foster care. The camp has 200 spots, but additional space will be made to accommodate local foster homes if needed, camp officials said.

It's Wilson's way of giving back to the community and helping children who share many of his own childhood experiences.

Wilson, who, at 5-feet, 9-inches, is on the small-but-mighty side for wide receivers, graduated Port St. Lucie High School in 2010 and played college football for Georgia State, where he became the leading receiver in the school's history after recording 175 receptions for 3,190 yards and 23 touchdowns.



Wilson was signed by the Kansas City Chiefs in 2014. He finished the 2016 regular season with 31 receptions for 279 yards and two touchdowns and one rushing touchdown, helping the Chiefs finish with a 12-4 record and qualify for the 2016-17 NFL playoffs.

Like last year, the Youth Skills Camp is part of a weekend-long series of events that also include a high school 7 on 7 tournament and a fundraising gala for the Albert Wilson Foundation, which helps provide resources to the local foster care system.

"We are so grateful to Albert for what he's doing for the community, especially children in foster care," said Christina Kaiser, community relations director for Devereux Community Based Care, which is responsible for the child-welfare system in Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee and St. Lucie counties. "To us, he's a hero in ways that far exceed his talent as a ball player."

For more information, or to register for any of these activities, visit Wilson's website at ithinkisee12.com.

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