



Blackhawks Lacrosse Club  
Spring 2019 Season Parent Meeting  
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- **Required Gear – Boys Lacrosse**
  - Lacrosse helmet (no hockey helmets), stick, gloves, shoulder/chest pads, elbow pads, mouth guard, athletic cup (boys), pelvic protector (girls)
- **Required Gear – Girls Lacrosse**
  - Goggles, stick, mouth guard
- **Home Field Location**
  - Lippold Park – East Entrance
  - Park in the first parking lot on your left as you enter. Use the Crosswalk--our fields are across the drive
  - Possible that early season games maybe be played on turf in South Barrington
- **Practice Field Locations**
  - Lippold Park -- East Entrance
  - Lippold Park -- South of the Raider football fields
  - Oakwood Hills
  - Possible southern locations in Dundee/South Elgin area
- **Indoor Pre-season practices at LifeZone 360** (Individual age group time slots will be advised later, based on finalized registration numbers)
  - Sunday, FEBRUARY 24
    - 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
  - Sunday, MARCH 3, MARCH 10, MARCH 17 & MARCH 24
    - 2:00 PM – 7:00 PM
  - Monday , MARCH 18
    - 5:30 PM – 9:30 PM
- **General Season Information--Girls & Boys**
  - Season Begins – March 31st
  - Outdoor practices begin week of 4/1--time/location TBD--check email/website
  - Normal schedule has 7-8 games (mix of Home & Away)
  - Saturdays and/or Sundays.
  - Some teams may have more than one game on a weekend
  - Tournaments are encouraged but team specific
  - Border Wars May 12th & 13th in Oswego (Levels A, B & C)
  - Mini and Girls Championship Weekend – June 1st & 2nd
  - All Others Championship Weekend – June 8th & 9th
  - Huntley Day of Lacrosse 4/6
  - Picture Day 4/26 and most likely no games on Memorial Day weekend

- **Team Breakdown Boys Lacrosse**
  - The number of teams at each level is dependent on the final registrations. Players cannot be rostered on more than one team per league rules.
  - The IBLA has A, B & C divisions at the Major(7/8), Minor(5/6) & Junior(3/4) grade levels
  - Right now we believe we will have 3 Major, 2 Minor, 2 Junior, 2 Mini teams
  - We will make every attempt to place our teams in divisions where they can be competitive. In some cases, team placement is at the discretion of the league
- **Team Breakdown Girls Lacrosse**
  - This is our 2nd year in the IGLL, and the IGLL is run by the same organization that runs the IBLA.
  - GRADE Requirements and Divisions for Girls Lacrosse
    - 14U – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades (12v12)
    - 12U – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grades (12v12)
    - 10U – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grades (8v8)
    - 8U – K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grades (4v4 with no goalie)
  - Depending on registrations, some teams may be combined to provide the best experience for our players.
- **Volunteers--We are all volunteers! Please help us when you can!**
  - The Blackhawks are a volunteer run organization.
  - As a growing organization, we are in constant need for additional families to get involved.
    - Board Positions
    - Concession Help
    - Field Help
    - Game Day
    - Scorekeeping & Timekeeping
- **Coaching**
  - Contact Roly Izquierdo (boysdirector@blackhawkslax.net) if you are interested in helping coach a boys' team.
  - Contact Robin Doubek (girlsdirector@blackhawkslax.net) if you are interest in helping coach a girls' team.
  - Optional Clinic for Coaches is set for Saturday, February 23, 2019 12:00 pm to 6:30 p.m
    - Positive Coaching Alliance Certification, West Aurora H.S.
    - Let Roly or Robin know if you are interested (No Cost to the Coach)
- **Fundraising and Spirit Wear**
  - 1 Restaurant fundraiser per month
  - Spirit Wear orders due March 3rd; will be ready for pickup first week of outdoor practices
- **Board of Directors Contact Information**
  - Buddy Metz (President) president@blackhawkslax.net
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