



LYNNFIELD YOUTH LACROSSE

Age and Grade Rules

LYL follows the MBYLL and MBGLL grade-based formats, meaning our players are placed in a division that corresponds with their scholastic grade, not their age or birth year. In limited cases in the past, the Board and coaches reserved the right to allow an athlete to "play up" one division if LYL believed that child would benefit. As of the 2020 Spring Season the Board will no longer enable such exceptions. No player will be allowed to register to play at a higher level.

Game Day Call-Ups

While each player must register and be rostered in her or his current grade group, a Classic team one level higher may call a player up from a lower level to supplement roster in a game if players are needed. The coach of the higher division team will contact the coach of the lower division team to request player/s for a game, as long as there is no conflict between the two teams. Call-ups are NOT allowed for Select teams.

A note from the Board: We recognize that there are a number of players across the program who could compete and contribute at a higher division. We also recognize why that is attractive to the athlete and their parents – they believe it pushes the athlete and challenges them perhaps more than their assigned division. But over the last several years we have come to understand that the policy was overly subjective. While we would allow some players to compete at a higher level we denied others who could also reasonably compete. As an unintended consequence we were depleting the talent at the lower division and hurting all players and the program.