



Welcome Players and Parent 2024 Season!

About Us:

We are a girls lacrosse team comprised of 9th-12th grade girls in the Olathe, Spring Hill, Gardner, Edgerton, Lawrence, Mill Valley and DeSoto school districts. We welcome players of all skill levels, from girls who are new to the game of lacrosse to those who are experienced players.

We are a volunteer non-profit organization run by parents and are not affiliated with any high school or KSHAA. We are part of the Kansas City Metro Girls Lacrosse Association (KCMGLA) and play games against other teams throughout the Kansas City metro.

Olathe Girls Lacrosse Club is officially a non-profit, run by a board of parent volunteers:

- Erin Dries, Ann Wolf, Gretchen Brittain, Shelley Mater, Mandy Smithhisler

Head Coach – Kristina Mensik

- 6th year coaching, 3rd with Olathe
- Coach of the year last year
- Last year best record Olathe has had!

Club Structure:

- Spring Season Runs from end of February to mid-May with 2 teams – JV and Varsity
 - 20 players = 1 team
 - 30 players = 2 teams
 - Overlap/Swing players if need
 - Determined based on skill level not grade
 - Equal playing time NOT guaranteed
- Communication through TeamSnap/GroupMe and social media-Instagram
- Majority of communication goes through the players ONLY
- Anyone outside of Olathe district must get approval to play for Olathe per KCGMLA
- Summer/Winter/Fall training and leagues are available at an additional cost
- Registration begins **February 1** – *the board will put in all the names of the girls with the league once they have signed up on TeamSnap or paid deposit.*

Schedule and Practice:

- Practice start February 26 at Frontier Park
- Jamboree March 2 through KC Elevate
- Games start after Spring Break – no schedule yet from league
- Games are usually 2x weekly on weeknights, total of 12; Tuesdays and Thursdays
- All girls practice together led by Coach and Captains
- Players are expected to come to EVERY practice, any absence must be communicated with the coach
- Senior night will be in April at one of the home games (know more once we have a schedule)
- Player/Coach gathering – usually in February

Uniform:

- Every player must wear the club issued uniform

- Required Equipment: Stick, googles, mouth guard, cleats, and uniform
- Optional: Spirit Wear and Boathouse Jacket

Club Fees & Registration:

- The estimated club fee is around \$475 depending on how many players sign up and if we have a JV and Varsity team. Fees go directly toward organizational expenses such as such as new uniforms, league dues, field rental, official fees, medical trainer fees, spring coaching fees, in-season practices, team equipment (such as nets, goals, balls, pennies, etc.)
- Payment due in two parts: deposit of \$200 due today, balance due 2/15/24
- Uniforms will be included in the fees this year, different from past years
- We are going to run everything through TeamSnap, even payments. The deposit will be separate and once we know your daughter is planning on playing, we will set up TeamSnap and you can submit the remaining balance via TeamSnap.
- Payments can be made either cash or check made out to Olathe Girls Lacrosse or Venmo
- Required US Lacrosse membership (due yearly \$30.00 Renewals/\$35.00 New Members) Website to create account or log in to renew: <https://www.usalacrosse.com> (You will need to put this information into TeamSnap when you make a final payment.)

***If anyone needs financial assistance, please reach out to us, we want to make sure everyone can play!*

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Entire Club is run by parents. **The success of this club is dependent on everyone helping out**

- Various items that will need help, sign up sheet:
 - Team dinners
 - Coach gifts
 - End of season banquet
 - Photographer
 - Senior Night (banners, flowers, etc.)
 - Statistics
 - Game clock (home games)
 - Fundraisers
 - Sponsorships
- Board needs to be created to keep this club going in the future

Contacts:

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| • President: Erin Dries, JR | email: erinjoshea286@yahoo.com |
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| • Treasurer: Shelley Mater, SO | email: sjmater@gmail.com |
| • Secretary: Gretchen Brittain, SO | email: Gretchen.brittain@gmail.com |
| • At-Large: Mandy Smithhisler, SO | email: mandysmithhisler@gmail.com |

Before you leave tonight:

- New Players fill out a form with your information
- Returning players please confirm contact details on file
- Deposit check or cash
- If you are interested in ordering a boathouse jacket (minimum 6 required)

FAQ

1. Link to KCMGLA? kcmgla.org
2. Link to USA Lacrosse for registration? <https://www.usalacrosse.com/>
3. Olathe Girls lacrosse website? <https://www.olathegirlslacrosse.com>
4. Boathouse jackets? Talk with Mandy Smithhisler

