

A Word from the President

On August 15, 2012, I began my term as president of The Orland Park Magic Sports Association. I have been a manager with the Evergreen Park Boys Club, Orland Park Youth Association, and Orland Park Magic for 6 years and it's an honor to take over the association as President. Although I will have many new duties as the President, I will continue to serve as a manager for our travel baseball program.

The OPMSA board is comprised of directors, most of whom are also sports coaches. The members of the board are each charged with providing quality sports programs for their respective sports. Currently, we offer 3 sports: Baseball, Basketball, & Softball. The other board members are in place to help build the association as a valuable asset to the local community of Orland Park and its children. They provide help with Fundraising, Insurance, Registration, Sports, and Events as well as help to resolve issues, acts as the catalyst to many of the organization's initiatives and help to manage the field and gym resources of the organization.

As President, my main duty is to oversee all initiatives taken on by the program as a whole and to be as transparent as possible, so all of the parents know where their children and their money are going. Strict financial controls are in place. All funds are controlled by the treasurer and president. The goal of the budget is to have expected revenue cover expected costs. Once approved, the treasurer and president use the approved budget to validate requests for payments from the coaches and parents.

The mission of OPMSA is to create quality athletic programs that teach fundamentals, techniques, teamwork and sportsmanship to all children of Orland Park who wish to participate. While we offer advanced levels of competition, the focus of our programs is to make sure all children are included. To this end, OPMSA will try not to turn away any child due to financial hardship. We will work harder than ever to secure funds through corporate and local sponsorships so no kid is left behind.

One of the key fundamentals that we teach to our kids is teamwork. Teamwork is very critical in the long term success of any team. OPMSA considers itself part of the overall team in Orland Park to promote youth sports. We work very closely with the Orland Park Park District as well as the surrounding grammar and high schools.

The last 4 years have been very successful for the Orland Park Magic Sports Association. I would like to recognize Robin Prokaski for leading the OPMSA during this time period. Under his direction and passion we accomplished so much in terms of local support from our community and the building of a successful travel program. Much thanks to him and his board for giving me the opportunity to succeed him and carry on the tradition of the OPMSA.

We are looking forward to another successful year of providing valuable athletic experiences to the children of Orland Park. If you have any suggestions for improvement or any concerns, please contact me at President.OrlandParkMagic@gmail.com

Thanks,

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