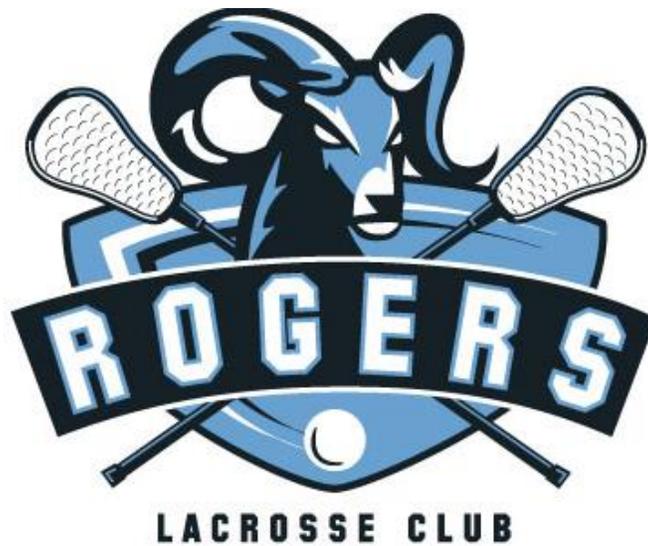


Rogers Lacrosse Club

2017 Team Parent Handbook



Thank you for volunteering to be a Team Parent! Your coach will rely on you to help take care of certain tasks throughout the season so he/she can focus on coaching the kids. Some coaches stay more involved, others completely hand over certain items. Please communicate with your coach and find out what their expectations are for the season. And remember: get the other parents on your team involved as much as you need!

Following is an outline of things that will need to be taken care of for your team. Feel free to expand on this where you see fit. This is just an outline to make sure no items get overlooked for your team.

As soon as possible:

- Discuss with your coach what help they will need from you and the other parents throughout the season. Open communication on what's expected from all families will be helpful.
- You will need to request access to your Team's page on the RLC website to be able to communicate with families via messaging from the site. Please contact Tony Duck at tony@rogerslacrosseclub.org to request this. You will communicate throughout the season for volunteer sign ups, year-end party, etc., and messaging through your Team page will be the easiest way to do so.
- When jerseys are handed out to the team, keep a record of each player's jersey number. You'll need this information for the league required Roster Card and other items throughout the season. (Exhibit A)
- Making a laminated, compact-sized, team roster with names and jersey numbers can be helpful and fun for parents to have on game day.
- The South Sound Lacrosse League is requiring every Youth Boys team to have a Roster Card on file with the league and at the scorer's table each game. This card (Exhibit B) must have the jersey number, head shot, and first and last name of each player. The card must also be laminated. Please make sure that you have at least two laminated cards made. One card you can give to your coach prior to the first league game and the other must be submitted to the league by the beginning of March. Please make arrangements to give the league copy to either your coach or Audra Swinney (audra.rogerslax@gmail.com) by March 1st.
- Create a schedule for parents to sign up for volunteer opportunities at each game. Volunteers are needed for timekeeping, scorekeeping, Sideline Manager (job duties described in Exhibit C), and possibly a spotter depending on your coach's needs (Exhibit D). The Club no longer has a volunteering requirement; however, it takes all of us to keep things running smoothly, especially on game day.

Throughout the season:

- The Club will be holding a Family Bingo FUN(d) Night fundraiser event (date to be announced). Besides Bingo, there will also be food for sale and a silent auction/raffling of gift baskets. We are requiring each team to put together a themed basket for the event. You will work closely with Business and Marketing Director, Juli Duck, juli@rogerslacrosseclub.org and Program Director, Korina Huddleston, korina.rogerslax@gmail.com. Raffle basket themes will be assigned to each team ahead of time. Encourage parents to help by donating items for the basket or contributing financially to the final cost of the basket. We are currently working on the details of this event and will share them as they become available.
- Rogers Lacrosse Club is a non-profit organization that relies on donations and sponsorship to keep our Club running. If anyone on your team owns a business or knows of a company that would like to donate, share with them the Corporate Sponsorship Program document (Exhibit E) and/or direct them to contact Juli Duck at juli@rogerslacrosseclub.org. All or a portion of donations are tax deductible. We would *highly* encourage each team to acquire one or two sponsorships this season.

At the end of the season:

- Most teams participate in some sort of year end tournament, besides the South Sound League Tournament. Find out what your coach may have in mind for this. It may be helpful to reserve a block of rooms for interested families at a nearby hotel if the tournament is out of the area. Usually a call to the hotel manager with the dates and number of rooms requested is all it takes to get a room block at possibly a discounted rate.
- Teams usually have a season-end party. This could be held at a restaurant, bowling alley, family backyard, park, etc. Usually the families contribute to cover the cost of coaches' gifts and a trophy or keepsake item for each player. Use your imagination and have fun organizing this, or ask other parents for their help.

Again, thank you for volunteering to be a Team Parent. It takes volunteers like you to keep our Club running! If you have questions on any of these items, please contact the Club secretary at audra.rogerslax@gmail.com.