

Wizards Lacrosse Club

Coaches & Team Managers Meeting



Welcome & Introductions

- Purpose of the meeting
- Meet your fellow coaches and team managers
- My role as Coaching Director
- Craig's role as Club President
- Our combined role as discipline

Club Vision & Core Values

- Player-first development mindset
- Inclusivity and respect
- Sportsmanship on and off the field
- Lifelong love of the game

Season Overview

- Key dates (start/end, tournaments, playoffs)
- League structure by age group
- Practice & game expectations

Our Development Philosophy

- Focus on skill development over winning
- Progressive teaching by age/stage
- Encourage creativity, confidence, and effort
- Support all players, regardless of skill level

Coaching Expectations

- Plan and run age-appropriate practices
- Foster positive, inclusive team culture
- Clear, consistent communication with players and parents
- Encourage teamwork, discipline, and fun

Practice Planning Tips

- Use station-based drills and small-sided games
- Balance fundamentals and engagement
- Keep players moving—limit lines and lectures
- End with fun, competitive play

Game Day Guidelines

- Model respectful behavior
- Equal play time emphasis (especially at younger levels)
- Calm, confident bench management
- Focus on learning moments, not results

Role of Team Managers

- Admin & logistics support
- Communicate schedules and updates
- Help coordinate team events, jerseys, snacks, etc.
- Bridge between parents and coaches

Health & Safety First

- Concussion awareness and protocols
- First aid kits at all practices/games
- Report injuries/incidents promptly
- Hydration and weather-related care

Respecting Officials

- Zero tolerance for abuse – Referees are young
- Coaches set the tone for players and parents
- Use the proper channels for concerns

Engaging Parents & Volunteers

- Set expectations early (team meeting)
- Encourage supportive sideline behavior
- Ask for help—delegate where you can
- Build a positive team community

Club Resources & Support

- Practice plans and coaching templates - Website
- Mentorship & Help is available
- Contact info: Coaching Director, Board Members

Questions & Discussion

- Open floor for feedback or concerns
- Share success tips across teams

Next Steps & Wrap-Up

- Submit required forms & certifications
- Stay connected via email or TeamSnap
- Thank you for your time and dedication!
