

# JETS LACROSSE

## Frequently Asked Questions for Spring 2020 Season

### ➤ *How long is registration open for the spring 2020 season?*

- Registration opens Monday, December 16, 2019 and will close Friday, February 14, 2020.
- We sometimes keep registration open after the close date, however, if you are not registered by Friday, February 14, 2020, your player will not have a uniform for the start of the season (at least the first three games).
- The sooner all players are registered the sooner we can disseminate information on coach/team assignments and practice schedules.
- Our teams fill up extremely fast. We strongly encourage you to register immediately.
- You are only considered registered if you have completed the registration process, your player's USL membership is up-to-date (through at least May 31, 2020), and the registration fee is paid in full.

### ➤ *What is the registration fee for the spring 2020 season?*

- Registration is \$375 if completed by January 31<sup>st</sup>. Registration received after January 31<sup>st</sup> is \$400.
- Registration fee includes a uniform (jersey, shooter shirt and shorts).
- Registration fee covers the costs associated with team and program equipment purchases (including balls, cones, practice equipment and goals), league registration fees, end of year state championship tournament entry fees, referee payments, field permits, coaching and coaching education expenditures, and other administration costs.

### ➤ *Is there a pre-season parent meeting?*

- Yes. There is a mandatory all-parent meeting on Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at McAuliffe International School (2540 Holly Street, Denver, CO 80207) in Park Hill. **Please set aside this date. This meeting is mandatory for parents and coaches.**

➤ **What league do the Jets play in?**

- The Jets play in the [Colorado Youth Lacrosse Association \(CYLA\)](#). For more information on the CYLA, including a list of the member clubs, [click here](#).
- For the current CYLA playing rules and rules updates [click here](#).
- Some of our teams may play in the [Arapahoe Youth League \(AYL\)](#). This is determined on a team-by-team basis.
- For the current AYL playing rules and rules updates [click here](#).

➤ **What ages/grades do you have teams for?**

- Jets Lacrosse offers competitive spring teams for players in 1<sup>st</sup> (U7) through 8<sup>th</sup> (U15) grades. Occasionally we do allow kindergartners to play on a 1<sup>st</sup> grade team. Players of all levels of experience (beginner, intermediate and advanced) are welcome to register.

➤ **Does my player's age need to be verified?**

- Yes. All players must be verified through the US Lacrosse age verification program.
- If you have not completed the US Lacrosse age verification process for your player, please go to <https://www.uslacrosse.org/membership/age-verification> for instructions on how to do so.
- If you are unsure if you have been through this process, or need assistance, you must contact US Lacrosse at [proofofage@uslacrosse.org](mailto:proofofage@uslacrosse.org) or 410-235-6882, extension 102.

➤ **When does the season start and how long does it go?**

- Teams will begin practice either the week of February 24, 2020 or the week of March 2, 2020. This is determined on a team-by-team basis.
- The season will conclude with the CYLA state championship tournament the weekend of May 30-31, 2020.
- Each team will play on only one of the dates (Saturday or Sunday) the weekend of the end-of-season tournament. We do not know the schedule for

this tournament until it is released by the CYLA (usually sometime in April). We recommend you make sure your player is available for both days.

- Some teams will choose to participate in additional tournaments that take place during the CYLA regular season and/or after the CYLA regular season has concluded. Participation in additional tournaments is determined on a team-by-team basis and additional costs will apply.

➤ ***How are spring teams formed?***

- Teams are not formed based on head coach selection. The Jets have a Team Formation Committee made up of our head coaches and Executive Committee members which meets several times throughout the spring registration process in order to formulate all of our competitive teams.
- Our primary goal is to place each player on the team that provides them the best opportunity to develop and succeed as a lacrosse player as well as continue to develop a passion for the game. We make every effort to place each player on the most appropriate team and at the most appropriate competitive level within the league. This is based on many factors including, but not limited to, prior performance, skill, experience, team availability and manageable roster sizes.
- If you are a new player to the Jets we may reach out to you to collect relevant information that will help us place your son on the most appropriate team.
- Depending on team sizes, coach availability and registration numbers, it is possible we may need to wait-list some registrants. Returning players are given preference. If we must place your player on a wait-list, we will notify you as soon as possible.
- Players are not guaranteed to be on the same team from year to year.
- We cannot consider any special requests for team placement (for example: friends, family members, neighbors, classmates, carpools, practice locations, coaches, etc.)
- We do not consider parent or player requests for players to “play up” or “play down”.

- For the spring 2020 season we will be having a player evaluation for players currently in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Please see additional information at [www.jetslacrosse.com/evaluation-faqs.asp](http://www.jetslacrosse.com/evaluation-faqs.asp).

➤ **How are players/teams placed in divisions?**

- Per CYLA rules, teams are based on grade, with a corresponding age cut-off. Please see below for the division matrix.
- For the spring 2020 season, the U7, U8 and U9 divisions play 7 vs. 7 on a short-sided field. All other divisions play 10 vs. 10 on a regulation sized field.
- All current 8<sup>th</sup> graders are eligible to play, regardless of date of birth.
- Players in high school (9<sup>th</sup> grade or higher) are not eligible to play.

Division	Born On Or After	Grade Equivalency	Max Stick Length	
			Short Stick	Long Stick
U7	6/1/2012	1st	37-42"	Not Permitted
U8	6/1/2011	2nd	37-42"	Not Permitted
U9	6/1/2010	3rd	37-42"	Not Permitted
U10	6/1/2009	4th	37-42"	Not Permitted
U11	6/1/2008	5th	37-42"	47-54"
U12	6/1/2007	6th	40-42"	52-72"
U13	6/1/2006	7th	40-42"	52-72"
U15	6/1/2004	8th	40-42"	52-72"

➤ **What is the game schedule?**

- The CYLA will publish the final team-specific game schedule in late March and it will be emailed to parents at that time.
- We do not consider any requests for players and/or teams to play on specific days or times. The Jets do not have any control over the creation of the schedule, it is set by the CYLA.
- Below is a list of gamedays and make-up gamedays for the upcoming spring 2020 season. Games are generally scheduled anywhere from 9am-6pm.
- Note, the spring 2020 game schedule will include 8 regular season games this season. There are no games over Memorial Day weekend.
  - Regular Season Game Days

- Saturday, April 4
  - Saturday, April 11
  - Sunday, April 12
  - Saturday, April 18
  - Saturday, April 25
  - Saturday, May 2
  - Saturday, May 9
  - Sunday, May 10
  - Saturday, May 16
- CYLA Championship Tournament Game Days
- Saturday, May 30 **OR** Sunday, May 31

➤ **Where are Jets Lacrosse games played?**

- All Jets teams will play at least 8 regular season games and at least 2 playoff games at the end-of-season CYLA state championship tournament.
- All home games will be scheduled to be played at Fred Thomas Park (2400 Quebec St, Denver, CO 80207) in Stapleton, City Park (23<sup>rd</sup> and Colorado) in Park Hill, Northfield High School (5500 Central Park Blvd, Denver, CO 80218) in Stapleton or McAuliffe International School (2540 Holly Street, Denver, CO 80207) in Park Hill. It is possible we will play home games at alternate locations, if needed.
- All Jets teams will travel for away games to locations around Colorado such as Lakewood, Boulder, Colorado Springs, Denver, Fort Collins, Evergreen, Pueblo, Golden, Loveland, Aurora and Windsor.
- We do not consider any requests for players and/or teams to play on specific days or times. The Jets do not have any control over the creation of the schedule, it is set by the CYLA.

➤ **Where and when do Jets teams practice?**

- Subject to field availability, head coaches will determine practice days and times for their teams.
- We will not know the practice schedule and location for teams until teams have been finalized and we have received final field permits from Denver Public Schools, Denver Parks and Recreation and the Stapleton MCA. Once we have this information and the practice schedules are set we will notify all teams.
- We anticipate all our practice fields will be in and around the Stapleton and Park Hill neighborhoods.
- Teams will generally practice two or three times per week from 5:00-6:30pm prior to Daylight Savings Day (Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>) and 5:30-7:00pm after Daylight Savings Day.
- Some teams may practice over Denver Public Schools spring break (March 25 – March 29). This is determined on a team-by-team basis.
- We do not consider requests for a player to practice at a specific time and/or location.

➤ **When will we receive information about which team our player is on?**

- We will provide additional information on team rosters and practice schedules and locations to parents Monday, February 17, 2020. Practices will start the week of February 24, 2020 or the week of March 2, 2020. This is determined on a team-by-team basis.
- Coaches will contact their teams as soon as rosters are finalized.

➤ **What equipment is each player required to have?**

- All players are required to provide their own personal equipment – lacrosse stick, helmet, shoulder pads, elbow pads, gloves, cup and mouthpiece.
- Cleats are not required, however, we strongly recommend your player wear cleats to all practices and games.
- See our [equipment page](#) for more detail.

➤ ***What size and number uniform will my player receive and when will the uniforms be distributed?***

- All players (new and returning) will receive a new uniform for the spring 2020 season.
- We will be having at least two sizing nights in February at the Bladium (2400 Central Park Blvd., Denver, CO, 80238) in Stapleton. Players will be able to try on uniforms and select a size during this time.
- We strongly recommend you attend one of the sizing nights so your player receives a properly sized uniform. If you do not attend one of the sizing nights a uniform size will be assigned to your player and you will be unable to change it.
- At registration each player will provide their top three (3) jersey number choices. We do our best to accommodate each player's number request, however, players are not guaranteed to receive one of their jersey number choices. If we are unable to assign a player one of his top three (3) choices, we will randomly assign an alternate number.
- Returning players are given priority for jersey number selections and will be assigned the same jersey number as last season.
- Uniforms will be distributed to each player during the week of practice prior to the first scheduled game.
- If you register after Friday, February 14, 2020, your player will not have a uniform for the start of the season (at least the first three games).

➤ ***What benefits do I receive from a US Lacrosse (USL) Membership?***

- The CYLA and our insurance provider require all players and coaches be current USL members. As a pre-requisite for participation in the spring Jets Lacrosse program, all players must be current USL members (membership must be valid through at least May 31, 2020).
- US Lacrosse provides important safety research, rules guidelines (youth, high school and professional), and coaching development programs.
- Each USL member receives supplemental insurance, a subscription to [Lacrosse Magazine](#), how-to videos, articles and clinics for players, coaches

and officials, discounts to tickets for college and professional games, and more. [Click here for a list of all USL membership benefits.](#)

- For more information on being a USL member, or to purchase or renew a membership, please go to <http://www.uslacrosse.org/>. When you reach the "Group Information" page on the US Lacrosse site, please check the box next to "Jets Lacrosse."
- Membership is an annual fee of \$30. This is not included in our registration fee.

➤ ***What email address will I receive communication at?***

- All communication throughout the registration process and spring season will be sent to the email address(es) you provide at the time of registration. Please use your primary email address(es) for registration and verify the accuracy before you submit your registration.

➤ ***What is the refund policy?***

- A refund request must be sent to [info@jetslacrosse.com](mailto:info@jetslacrosse.com) prior to the season starting (Monday, February 24, 2020).
- A \$25 administrative fee for any program is non-refundable. In addition, if a uniform order has been placed for your player prior to a refund being requested, the cost of the uniform is non-refundable.
- No refunds are awarded after the season has started (Monday, February 24, 2020).

➤ ***Do you offer scholarships?***

- We do provide scholarships to qualifying families to defray the cost of participation. Please contact [info@jetslacrosse.com](mailto:info@jetslacrosse.com) to make a confidential scholarship request.
- We do accept donations to fund player scholarships. If you are interested in making a donation or sponsoring a player for the spring season please contact [info@jetslacrosse.com](mailto:info@jetslacrosse.com).

➤ ***Who do I contact if I have additional questions?***

- Please email us at [info@jetslacrosse.com](mailto:info@jetslacrosse.com).