

BOYS' TEAMS - 2021 SPRING LOVEJOY LACROSSE SEASON INFORMATION

Below is some information to help answer the frequently asked questions about the Spring 2021 season.

When does the spring season start? How long is the spring season?

Practices for our spring season will begin on the dates listed below, and the spring season will end in May.

K / 2nd Grade Team(s): begin Thursday, January 21st

3rd / 4th Grade Team(s): begin Thursday, January 21st

5th / 6th Grade Team(s): begin Thursday, January 21st

7th / 8th Grade Team(s): begin Thursday, January 21st

High School Team: begin Wednesday, January 20th

On what days do the teams practice in the spring? How long are practices?

K / 2nd Grade Team(s): Monday & Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

3rd / 4th Grade Team(s): Monday & Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

5th / 6th Grade Team(s): Monday & Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

7th / 8th Grade Team(s): Monday & Thursday evenings from 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm; additional optional practice with the high school coaches – Wednesdays from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm starting January 27th

High School Team: Schedule distributed by HS coaches and VP

Where do practices take place?

Practices will primarily be at Willow Springs Middle School. From time-to-time, there may be a conflict with the field at Willow Springs as LISD events have priority. If there is a conflict, you will be notified via the Sports Engine app that practice is being cancelled or moved to a different location. **IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE SPORTS ENGINE APP, PLEASE DOWNLOAD IT NOW.**

Where are the games played?

Lovejoy home games are played at Willow Springs Middle School or Sloan Creek Intermediate School. Away games can be played at several places in the Dallas / North Texas area.

On what days do the teams play games in the spring?

Games in the spring have traditionally been played on Saturdays. There are some cases where we will play on Sunday afternoons. Game information will be posted on our website when the information becomes available.

Will my son be able to borrow lacrosse equipment for the season?

Yes, we do have player loaner equipment available for beginning players to borrow. The Lovejoy Lacrosse program has a total of 40 sets of boys' loaner equipment, in various sizes. The equipment is loaned out on a first come, first serve basis. The loaner equipment requires a deposit of \$200. \$150 of the deposit is refunded at the end of the season, when the equipment is returned and is in good condition and not damaged. The loaner equipment package includes: helmet, shoulder pads, elbow/arm pads, gloves, and

a stick. It does not include: mouthpiece (required), athletic cup (required), rib pads (optional), shoes with cleats (required - football, soccer, or lacrosse shoes are all fine), and a reversible team practice pinnie (required).

IF YOUR SON NEEDS LOANER EQUIPMENT, PLEASE EMAIL MISTI FRIESLAND TODAY TO WORK OUT A DATE TO PICK UP EQUIPMENT – MISTI@FRIESLANDLAW.COM

Bantam & Youth Team Uniforms & Jersey Number Assignments

We purchased new uniforms last spring. For the fall, **BANTAM & YOUTH** players are required to purchase a Lovejoy practice pinnie, but they are not required to purchase a Lovejoy Lacrosse uniform. In the spring, all **BANTAM & YOUTH** players will be required to get a uniform if they don't have one already. Lovejoy Lacrosse uniforms and practice pinnies are purchased through Team LAX in Frisco. The price for the uniform is ~\$75, which includes a reversible black and white jersey and shorts. The practice pinnie is ~\$25 and is also reversible.

The link to order uniforms if you are a new player or if you are a returning player who has outgrown his uniform is <https://teamlax.com/gear/lov1333/>. When ordering your uniform and practice pinnie – **DO NOT INCLUDE** a jersey number. **LEAVE THAT BOX BLANK**. The club will assign the jersey numbers. Every effort will be made to give new players one of their three preferred jersey numbers. However, we need to make sure there are no conflicts with any of the returning players on the same team or a grade below or below the new player. We will let you know your son's jersey number ASAP.

We recommend that you try on the sample jerseys, so you can make sure to get the correct size. Team LAX is located at: 9201 Warren Parkway, Frisco, Texas 75035; (469) 362-8529.

Lovejoy has adopted a red and black custom *Cascade S* helmet as the official LJ Youth Lax helmet. You can purchase the helmet directly from Team Lax as they plan to stock a few of these helmets in their store. The helmet is completely optional and is **NOT** mandatory to play for Lovejoy. However, when you purchase a new helmet for your son in the future, we would strongly recommend that you consider purchasing the official LJ helmet as it not only looks great, it is a top of the line helmet, and you can get it for a great price.

High School Uniforms

If your son is a High School player, you do not have to order a uniform. The club will provide uniforms to each high school player. High School players will be required to buy the team helmet by purchasing at Team Lax.

My son – and I – are new to lacrosse, what can we expect?

Expect to have fun and expect to become hooked on lacrosse. There's a reason why lacrosse is the fastest growing sport in the United States (and in North Texas). It's a fun, exciting, and fast paced sport and every player on the field is involved and active throughout the game. It's been said many times, once someone picks up a lacrosse stick and plays the game, they are hooked! Parents love it because the action is non-stop and exciting to watch.

Don't worry if you do not have any lacrosse experience. Lacrosse is an easy game to learn. Make sure to check out our "Lacrosse 101" webpage on our website (www.lovejoylacrosse.com). You will find a lot of information on the game of lacrosse, such as the rules, the lingo, player positions, the field, and penalties.