



Slack Channel Primer

Below is a listing of the Channels on Slack that have been created to facilitate communication for Warhawk Crew. Anyone can create a channel, which is why the list below may not be complete. Anyone may ask to join any channel and Executive Board Members have access to all channels for purposes of oversight. After every season, year specific channels will be archived.

By default, everyone who joins Slack will be added to the #General channel. To become a member of the other channels, one must search and join the channel, or be invited to join (see Slack Resources below for helpful user information).

Warhawk Crew Team Relevant Slack Channels:

It is typical that coaches create team specific channels to communicate with their team and specific boats (later in the season). Sometimes these are not public so the Team members are invited by the coaches to these channels. These channels usually include discussions about workouts, lineups, and other team or boat specific information.

The following default channels have been created based on our standard category line-up. Parents are asked to join their appropriate channel to stay abreast of any important communications. Athlete channels are private and managed by the channel manager - if you are an athlete and not part of one of the private channels, please reach out to the Channel Manager.

To ensure transparency, accountability, and alignment with organizational standards, the **President and Executive Vice President (EVP)** are always included in the private communication channels of athletes. Their presence serves several key purposes:

- **Monitoring for Compliance:** They help ensure that all interactions between athletes and coaches adhere to the organization's code of conduct and communication policies.
- **Maintaining Organizational Integrity:** This oversight helps prevent miscommunication, inappropriate behavior, or potential conflicts, fostering a safe and respectful environment for all participants.

This structure is designed not to interfere with coaching dynamics but to uphold a high standard of professionalism and care across all levels of the athlete's experience.

Warhawk Crew Team Channels:

Team	Parents	Athletes (Private)	Channel Manager
Men's Freshmen & Novice	#mens-novice-parents	#2026-mens-novice	Coach George
Men's Varsity	#mens-varsity-parents	#2026-mens-varsity	Coach Mel
Women's Freshmen & Novice	#womens-novice-parents	#2026-womens-novice	Coach Dane
Women's Varsity	#womens-varsity-parents	#2026-womens-varsity	Coach Dane

Standard Slack Channels (just to name a few):

These are a few channels that one might find handy. Note outside of the #general channel, you have to search and join other channels. To do this, click the + under Channels and browse channels to join them.

- **#general:** Everyone is automatically subscribed to the "General" channel. However, posting on "General" is limited to Board Members. The General Channel is where team wide information will be posted. For example, team dinners, practice cancellations, fundraising opportunities, volunteer opportunities, operation workdays, etc..
- **#parents:** This is a channel to ask questions or communicate with all crew parents and the Board.
- **#bus-transportation-comms:** This is an important communication channel to know about bus updates. A good channel to follow to know when the bus will arrive back at the school. More active in the Spring when the transportation to/from the Quan is active.
- **#carpools:** This channel is useful to parents who want to arrange carpools for their athletes.
- **#pictures:** This channel is where parents and students post pictures and videos..
- **#random:** Random thoughts & questions
- **#lost-and-found:** A place to post items that have been lost and/or found to find their rightful owners.
- **#Novice_Parent (Private):** This is a private channel for new parents moderated by the JMCBO's new parent liaison, Mike Brownlee, EVP, and the President.

Specialized Channels:

Special channels to facilitate communications within a specific category to help with tailored communications. These channels are:

- **#Launch-boat-certified:** Once you're certified, this is a channel we post immediate needs for launch boat drivers.

- **#2026-senior-parents (Private):** We use this channel to communicate special items with the parents of our Seniors.

Committee Channels:

Each Board Level Committee has its own channel to facilitate broad communications and sometimes these may be private channels. These can be used for quick awareness items and/or requests for help. Contact the board member if you cannot find a channel to request to be added. These channels are:

- #Away-Regatta-Comm (Private), Tana Keeffe
- #Communications-Committee (Private), Dana McCulloch
- #Finance-Committee (Private), Kito Mussa
- #Fundraising-Committee (Private), Kellie Brownlee & Lynda Mussa
- #Hospitality-Committee (Private), Andrea Paradise
- #Operations-Committee (Private), Adam Oliver & Jonathan Couchman
- #Recruiting-Committee (Private), Erin Prentice

Using Slack Resources:

- [Using Slack | Slack](#)
- [What is a channel? | Slack](#)
- [Join a channel | Slack](#)
- [Create a channel | Slack](#)
- [Add people to a channel | Slack](#)