



City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

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Thank you for joining our program leagues at Winnetka Recreation Center. Please read the following information to be prepared for the upcoming season.

Communication via Telegram Messenger App

All communication will be posted via Telegram Messenger App to communicate with you and your Coach for important details and future announcements regarding this class. Please download the app and click your group's link. Instructions:



t.me/WinnetkaRC

Step 1 of 2: Download the Telegram Messenger App

- **For iPhone/iPad IOS:** <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/telegrammessenger/id686449807>
 - **For Android:** <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.telegram.messenger&gl=GB>

Step 2 of 2: Click the link provided in the welcome email to follow our Winnetka Telegram Channel at

E-Pact (Online Forms) – DUE ON EVALUATION DAY

Our department now uses the E-PACT program to maintain and file participant registration forms (such as emergency contacts, allergies, authorized pick-up, etc.). We no longer accept paper registration forms. ALL Participants must complete their E-PACT registration form prior to evaluations. Automatic emails and reminders are sent once you register. Please accept the e-mail and complete the information request.

Mandatory Evaluations

All evaluations are mandatory for players to attend and participate. Please note the times of your child's evaluation day and time based on the flyer. Evaluations will take no longer than (1) hour.

Team Assignments / Team Group Chats

All teams will be drafted by staff and/or volunteer coaches based on evaluations. Siblings living in the same households registered in the same age division will automatically be drafted onto the same team. You may submit a special request to our sports staff at the check-in table ONLY AT EVALUATIONS it will be considered during drafts.

There are no guarantees for special requests. Once teams are drafted there will be NO changes or switches unless a mistake has been made by our staff. Once assigned to a team you will receive an email of your team assignment and the telegram group chat link to join with your team members. After which there will be no more emails sent for the season. All communication will flow through the telegram app and our website: laparks.org/reccenter/winnetka

Practices / Games / Team Parent / Team Snacks

All practices will be the same day and time every week. Games schedules will be released on the telegram app at least one week prior to start. We highly encourage each team to nominate one (1) to two (2) parents to help coaches with practice reminders, game snack assignments, and other announcements.

Uniforms/Equipment

Your child will receive one top and one bottom uniform for the season at their practice from coach. Uniforms will not be available for pick up from the office. If your child does not receive a jersey please message your coach on your team group chat through the telegram app. Please note that due to long delivery times, sizes were estimated when ordered and we will do our best to hand out uniforms from the biggest/tallest child(ren) to the smallest/shortest child(ren).

Picture Day

You will find your Saturday picture date on the game schedule and times will be distributed on the telegram app. Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your picture day time slot. There will be NO single team photos, ONLY DIVISION TEAMS (this includes ALL of the teams in your age division). You will be able to take individual player photos.

Awards Ceremony

All awards ceremonies will be held on the last day of your team's games right after the game at Winnetka Recreation Center. This will be a potluck style event in which players and parents should work together to decide which items to bring.

Seasonal All-Star Tournaments

Each season the Valley Region Sports Board will host a sports tournament for selected sport leagues and age divisions for minors, majors and juniors. All head coaches have the opportunity to nominate no more than two to three players from each team within the division no later than the set deadline. Any nominations received after the deadline will be unacceptable. All nominations will be reviewed by recreation staff and all selections will be approved by the park director and coordinators. All players must participate in at least 50% of season games and practices, present good sportsmanship, positive attitudes, great team work, respectful engagement with opponents, team leadership skills and an overall enjoyment. All selected players must provide the required proof of age, sportsmanship forms, attend the all-star parent meeting and their parent must sign the code of conduct prior to the set deadlines. Any documents not submitted by the deadline or absence from the all-star parent meeting will result in ineligibility from the all-star team. These ineligible players may or may not be replaced by a selected alternate. There is no guarantee that returning players will be selected for future tournaments. Each all-star tournament selection is separate and there will be no protests recognized or accepted.

Sportsmanship

All participants, coaches, parents, and spectators are expected to show good sportsmanship at all times. Ensure the game remains enjoyable for everyone. Be respectful to coaches, teammates, officials, and opponents. Maintain a drug, tobacco, and alcohol-free environment. Keep emotions in check, address concerns with the coach before approaching staff or referees, and avoid sideline coaching. Poor sportsmanship or unethical behavior will result in removal from the park or league. Let's cheer with positivity, respect our opponents, and support players, coaches, and officials with encouragement.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at your earliest convenience.

Thank you!



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Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 8:30 pm
Saturday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm