

Dear Parents of Team Smithtown Players,

First of all congratulations on your child making Team Smithtown! It is a wonderful experience for your child and we believe for yourself as well. There is a lot of bonding and camaraderie that forms with the team and the parents during the course of the season and tournaments. We encourage you to embrace it.

Please remember that Team Smithtown is not in lieu of Spring Intramural lacrosse. In order to be eligible to play tournament Spring/Summer Team Smithtown, your child needs to be playing and practicing in the Spring. Spring registration is mandatory. Your Team Smithtown team will be your spring intramural team.

Due to the economic crisis, we understand that many of you are concerned about the cost for your child to play on Team Smithtown. This is the main reason why we did not increase the prices for the 2009 season. (Third Grade is \$475 and Grade 4-7 is \$650). 4th Grade and above have 3 travel tournaments which increases price and registration fees are higher.

We have received many e-mails about " what does my child get for the cost of Team Smithtown" and we want you to be clear on what the fees include. As part of your Team Smithtown fee, and since Team Smithtown players are required to play in the 8 game spring league, we have decided to reduce the cost of your spring league registration from \$155.00 to \$75.00. This reduction is for Team Smithtown players only. All Team Smithtown players get the same attention in any age group and remain on the same team throughout the season.

We want to advise you of the rest of your Team Smithtown fee breakdown as well. Your cost for Team Smithtown includes the following, plus \$80 discount on Spring Registration:

- 8 Tournament Registrations
- 4 piece uniform (jersey, shorts, TS underarmour shirt, hat)
- US Lacrosse # and player insurance (required for tournaments)
- Registration and printing expenses
- Field maintenance
- Administrative costs
- Misc expenses (balls, mouthpieces, etc.)

We will make arrangements for rooms at hotels for 2 parents and a player that you will pay for yourself. Any other arrangements need to be made by you directly with the hotel you're assigned to. We are proud that we can offer our community 8 tournaments, lower spring fees and all the other items listed that is half the price of what other travel teams are charging for just four tournaments.

"Your \$250 deposit for Team Smithtown must be paid online by **November 15th**. Coaches who want to have their teams play indoor lacrosse this winter and will be contacting you and need to know who is committed to their teams. After November 15th, those unregistered will be considered non participants in Team Smithtown and players from Select may be invited up to Elite, as well as some who did not make Select be offered a spot on same (depending on evaluation scores).

Commitment night for Team Smithtown is on January 7<sup>th</sup> commencing at 7:30pm at Smithtown East HS. Please fill out all attached forms and bring them with you on that night. Final payment for Team Smithtown will be collected too. Please make checks payable to Smithtown Township Lacrosse.

We thank you for taking the time to read this and we wish you and your lacrosse players an enjoyable year.

Smithtown Board of Directors