

Beverly Hills Lacrosse Club
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The process of introducing lacrosse to Beverly Hills officially started in 1998. Traditionally an East Coast prep school sport, its popularity has exploded in California over the last decade and it is now played in grades four through twelve in Beverly Hills. In 2006 lacrosse was sanctioned by the CIF and Beverly Hills High School fielded its lacrosse teams with over seventy players participating on the Varsity & Junior Varsity boys teams. That same year, the girls started a club at the high school which continued for the 2007 season. The big news this year is that the girls teams will transition to official CIF Varsity status with almost eighty girls attending tryouts for the 2008 teams



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Since 2001, both middle school and high school players have been asked to join the Beverly Hills Lacrosse Club. Because the sport was just sanctioned in the Southern Section, the school district funding for the high school teams is not totally in place and the teams must still look to outside sources to meet their expenses. We ask that when possible, all players purchase their own equipment & uniforms while the school budget attempts to catch up. With the addition of the girls teams coupled with the shrinking state budgets the need for outside funding has never been greater. Past year's donations allowed us to purchase a small electronic scoreboard for our home games, new goals and nets for both high school teams and portable water fountains for game days. This year our needs are more immediate.....it costs about \$480 to outfit a boy and about \$200 for each girl playing lacrosse. And with so many players involved and so few paid coaches we need extra funds to attract additional volunteer coaches so that our players can acquire the individual and team skills in a safe and supervised environment. As always, a percentage of the donations go to our scholarship fund which is available to players in need of financial support. You can. In the past we have asked for parents to make a voluntary contribution of \$250.00 either directly to the Beverly Hills Lacrosse Club or to the Beverly Hills PTSA, both of which accept credit card payments. Please make sure to " earmark " the contribution for either boys or girls lacrosse. Additionally we have enclosed a sponsorship brochure which we ask that you pass on to a friend or company that you think would be interested in sponsoring our teams.

Our mission is simple....."The Beverly Hills Lacrosse Club exists to provide an opportunity for middle school and high school athletes to develop a passion and respect for the sport of lacrosse. By providing qualified coaching and support through our non profit organization, it is our hope that the participants will develop the physical and mental skills necessary to be successful in a competitive interscholastic environment."

The Beverly Hills Lacrosse Club is officially classified as a California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation (#2416014) and is recognized by the IRS as a 501 (C)(3) publicly supported organization (EIN#16-1632807). Please see the enclosed card for ways that you can help.

Thanks,

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