

## **Proposed 2011 White Bear Lake Lacrosse Grading Process**

**Staff:** Each head coach shall be present as an evaluator as well as two evaluators not affiliated with the specific Level

**Check-in process:** Each player will be required to check-in to the grading session upon arrival:

- Player shall be assigned a numbered penny (ideally 1 number per kid no duplicates)
- The check in table will need to be staffed by at least 3-5 people so that this process runs smoothly
- Players should already be registered but if not already registered the paperwork should be available

**Grading Process:** Players should be graded on their basic lacrosse skills of Throwing, catching, shooting, scooping, and cradling.

- Each player shall be graded on a level of 1 to 3
  - 3 the best or most advanced player, is good at 3 or more of the 5 basic skills
  - 2 being developed but room for improvement, is good at 1 or 2 of the 5 basics
  - 1 being a beginner needing improvement, new to the game and/or basic skills
- The players will be asked to perform basic fundamental drills each coach will be asked to get a grade on each player.
- In between each drill the coaches shall get together and make sure that each player has been graded by comparing player jersey numbers. The same shall be done at the end of the session so that each player is graded.
- It's important to not use names or share notes during this process so that grades are non-biased

**Team Assignment Process:** The 5 coaches shall get together after the grading session is complete and share notes on each player.

- Each player will be given a rating based on the average player value assigned by the coaches for example
  - Coach A gave player #37 a 1 Coach B gave Player #37 a 2 #37 is valued at 1.5
- Once each player is rated a team draft process shall begin giving each team a chance to pick a player maintaining that all 3 teams are equal i.e. equal number of 1's, 2's, and 3's
- At the end of player selection the sum of all player ratings within a team denotes the teams "Power ranking" i.e. 17 players grades added together equal 45
- It's important that each team's power ranking is within plus or minus 3 pts
- If a coach feels his teams is not equal based on his teams power ranking the appropriate changes shall be made in order to maintain equality among all teams
- once 3 equal teams are created and team assignment has taken place each roster shall be posted online at the [www.wblax.com](http://www.wblax.com) website