



Athletes' Bill of Rights for the Girls' Early Signing Period

The purpose of this document is to assist athletes and their parents/guardians during the girls' early signing period. It is the responsibility of the club to provide the athlete's family with all information currently available about their program. It is the responsibility of each athlete and her/his family to become educated about the programs they are considering. It is the responsibility of both parties – club and athlete – to honor every commitment.

Beginning June 1, 2011, clubs may extend invitations to their current athletes for the next club season. An athlete and her family has until August 1, 2011, to accept the offer. If the offer is declined, the athlete may still attend the club's tryout in the fall. If the invitation is accepted, the athlete is bound by the terms of the agreement for the next club season. She may not attend any other tryouts, and her parents/guardians may not sign any other player contracts.

Clubs may contact athletes regardless of club affiliation between July 10 and July 31 provided the athletes' current club seasons are over. During this period, clubs may contact any athlete with information regarding their club: tournament schedule, practice schedules, coaching, etc., as well as the club's tryout dates for the fall.

There is a "dead period" during the interscholastic season, beginning on August 1, 2011. Clubs may not extend any invitations, and athletes may not accept any invitations, until October 28, 2011, for girls ages 10-14 and November 13, 2011, for girls ages 15-18. On those dates, clubs may extend invitations and/or hold tryouts.

Athletes and their families will have ten days (until November 9, 2011, for 10s-14s and November 23, 2011, for 15s-18s) to accept or decline invitations and sign contracts.

There is no contact between clubs and athletes during the athletes' high school season.

Tryout dates and acceptance deadlines

age	tryout dates	acceptance deadline
10s-14s	October 28 – November 6, 2011	November 9, 2011
	November 7-20, 2011	November 23, 2011
15s-18s	November 13-20, 2011	November 23, 2011
	November 21 – December 4, 2011	December 7, 2011
	December 5-18, 2011	December 21, 2011
	December 19, 2011 – January 1, 2012	January 4, 2012
	January 2-15, 2012	January 18, 2012

An athlete's acceptance should be an e-mail response. Once an offer is accepted, the athlete may not attend any other club's tryouts. She is then bound to the terms of the club's contract and policies.

We hope the above information is helpful to you during the early signing and tryout process. Remember that you are purchasing a product! It is your responsibility to know what you are buying: there are many quality programs offered throughout our region. Our goal is 100% satisfaction!