

LACROSSE STORE SPRING HOURS:

Monday & Tuesday: 11:00am-1:00pm Wednesday & Thursday: 11:00am-2:00pm Saturday: 9:00am-1:00pm Friday & Sunday: CLOSED

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The Big Picture - Thankful

 (1) Our <u>Travel Teams</u> continue to be some of the most competitive in the area
(2) Our <u>Indoor Clinics</u> and <u>Little & Big Spartans</u> are more popular than ever with record breaking numbers in both programs
(3) Our <u>Summer Camps</u> have expanded to new locations (The Heights & St. Albans)
(4) Our <u>Boys Staff</u> and <u>Girls Staff</u> are packed with young, knowledgeable, and committed coaches, who are great role models for our players

All of this is possible because of the great community of Spartan parents we have and we THANK YOU for all that you do!

We hope you enjoy the newest edition of our newsletter. Read below, visit our <u>website</u>, and stop by the facility soon to understand why it is truly a great time to be a Spartan!

What's the Latest?

Congratulations to Coaches <u>Dave Mitchell</u>, <u>Ryan Whyte</u>, and the <u>NL 2023 Blue Team</u>, who went undefeated in the <u>World Series of</u> <u>Youth Lacrosse</u> Regional Qualifier.

They also were ranked <u>#2 in the u13 Inside</u> <u>Lacrosse World Rankings</u> after their dominating performance in the qualifier. We're excited for the team to represent this program and wish them the very best of luck in Denver!



We are excited to welcome two terrific coaches to the staff:

- <u>John Schiavone</u> was a 3-sport varsity athlete at Good Counsel before attending Loyola University Maryland where he ranked among the best FOGOs in the country yearly.
- <u>Will McGettigan</u> was a 3-sport varsity athlete at Episcopal. Coach McGettigan played lacrosse at Brown University and is currently a teacher and assistant varsity coach at Landon.





Former Next Level Lacrosse coach and director, Sean Aaron, moved to Australia with the hope of helping to grow the sport of lacrosse. This summer Sean will be a member of the FIL Australian National Team's 23-man roster. Good luck, Coach!

Tryouts for our high school boys summer travel teams (NL 2019, NL 2020, NL 2021, NL Varsity Red, NL JV Red) are May 21-23. <u>REGISTER HERE</u> to fight for an opportunity to play with some of the best players in the area as we compete in the most elite <u>TOURNAMENTS</u> in the country!





The first annual Next Level Social for Travel Team Parents was a lot of fun and a huge success. During the Social, we launched the <u>Next Level Foundation</u>: a charitable entity created by current Spartan families with two goals:

(1) Provide scholarship opportunities to young men or women who otherwise would not be able to take advantage of a Next Level Program.
(2) Help current Spartans families in need.



The <u>Next Level Lacrosse Store</u> has relocated to the top floor of the Next Level Athletic Performance Center (5420 Butler Rd, Bethesda, MD 20816). The store is stocked with Spartan apparel, a wide variety of Cascade helmets (S, R, CPV-R, CS-R, etc), heads and shafts from East Coast Dyes (Mirage, Carbon Pro, Rebels), youth sticks and pads, and much more! The old store has become a team room where coaches can show and study film with clinic participants and travel team players.



More Spartan Highlights

- Spring <u>Little & Big Spartans</u> are bigger than ever with over 200 registered players. The programs continue to draw players looking for a fun, convenient, stress-free option to play and learn the great sport of lacrosse.
- Congratulations to our summertime coaches who are having a great spring season at their respective colleges, including <u>Jarett Witzal</u> (Bucknell), <u>Hunter Sells</u> (Jacksonville), <u>Richie Bartozzi</u> (Denison), <u>Timmy Monahan</u> (Towson).
- Next Level is well-represented in the area as several of our players are starting or getting significant time for some of the best varsity programs in the country, including: <u>Doane Kiechel</u> (Gonzaga), <u>Boots Lackey</u> (The Heights), <u>Chase Noah</u> (St. Andrew's Episcopal), Tony Del Rosso (Potomac), <u>Joey Graham</u> (Landon), <u>Connor MacDonald</u> (The Heights), <u>Kyle Davies</u> (St. Albans), <u>Seamus Graham</u> (Wootton), Billy Moore (The Heights), <u>Ryan Giles</u> (Landon), <u>Isaac Aronson</u> (Bullis), <u>Chase MacCartee</u> (Georgetown Prep), <u>Bridges Neville</u> (O'Connell), <u>Nolan Sheehan</u> (The Heights), William O'Brien (St. Albans), <u>Stephen Bickel</u> (St. Andrew's Episcopal), <u>Robbie Bowell</u> (The Heights), <u>Joseph Callahan</u> (O'Connell), Cameron Dezio (The Heights), <u>Clay Weiss</u> (Georgetown Prep), <u>Liam Murray</u> (The Heights), Colin McDermott (St. Andrew's Episcopal), <u>Max Whittier</u> (Gonzaga).
- We are excited to unveil a new database in the 2018-19 lacrosse year courtesy of Blue Star Sports. This system will consolidate family registrations, will allow parents to monitor past, current, and future registrations for their children, will provide a free communication system for all of our teams, and much more.
- It was another very successful year for the <u>DMV Premier Lacrosse Leagues March</u> <u>Kickoff Invitational</u>! With 48 teams present and over 13 programs represented the Invitational proved again to be one of the best early season tournaments in the area.

Meet the Coaches - Mark Jutkowitz



Why did you decide to get involved in coaching lacrosse?

Lacrosse has given me life-long friends, a scholarship to a great school (go Terps!), and being able to travel all over the world to play. I feel obligated and proud to help spread this incredible game that has given me so much to the next generation.

What's your most memorable moment from playing lacrosse?

I would say during my senior year of high school at Wootton when I scored the gamewinner at the buzzer against Good Counsel. Back then it was pretty rare for a public school team to beat a private school, and I played club with a bunch of those guys which made it even sweeter.

http://www.gazette.net/stories/04152009/rockspo191217_32481.shtml

Who is your favorite professional athlete current or past? Why?

That's a tough one, but right now I would have to say Russell Westbrook since I've been watching the NBA playoffs. He plays with an unmatched intensity 100% of the time, plus he is an athletic freak so he is always fun to watch.

Meet the Coaches - Meg Gargulinski



When did you first pick up a lacrosse stick?

When I was 11 years old and all of my friends and I joined a rec league together. I was hooked.

Did you have a nickname in high school or college?

With a name like "Margaret Gargulinski" I had nicknames to spare but they were never super creative. Of course there's Meg. But also Garg, MegGarg, Marge and plenty others.

What's the coolest place you've ever traveled?

I've been to 18 countries so it's a tough choice - I'd have to say it's a tossup between Gimmelwald, Switzerland and Budapest and Baños, Ecuador.

2018-19 Travel Team Tryouts + Prep Camps

Travel team tryouts for the 2018-2019 lacrosse year will take place **August 16-19** for both the boys and girls programs. Registration will be released in the first few days of May and we hope you come out and see the caliber of talent and hard-working and knowledgeable coaches Next level Lacrosse has to offer. *Be sure to get the rust off at our elite prep camps held the days leading up to tryouts!*

BOYS PREP CAMP GIRLS PREP CAMP

Summer Clinics are Open!

This summer we are excited to introduce excellent <u>BOYS</u> and <u>GIRLS</u> coaches to the staff to help instruct our players in what promises to be one of the best lineup of clinics yet. Players of all ages and skill levels will be able to find a clinic that helps them continue to develop their games in the hot months of the off-season. Be sure to get a leg up on the competition by improving your stickwork, shooting, dodging, defense, IQ, and more with us this summer!

<u>BOYS CLINICS</u> GIRLS CLINICS

Boys and Girls Summer Camps



Our summer camps are some of the most popular around. This year we are excited to offer 3 boys camp sessions, 1 girls camp session, and our revamped weekly sports camp here at Next Level! Make us a part of your summer plans!!

- **Boys Lacrosse Camp The Heights**
 - Boys Lacrosse Camp Landon
 - Girls Lacrosse Camp Landon
- Boys Lacrosse Camp St. Albans
- SUMMER SPORTS CAMP Next Level
- JR. SUMMER SPORTS CAMP Next Level

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