

### **PAYMENTS**

Payments are due on the 5th of the month. Playmetrics has been unloaded with all the information regarding the balance for the season. You can set this on auto payment as well.

We do need payments to be on time in order to pay for games, practices and tournaments. If we have not received payment we will start asking the player not to come to practice. Please contact coach Katie to make your payments

### **Coach Katie Korner**

WELCOME to the new season of MSP Stars. We are well underway. This year we are excited to have 8 teams competing. Ou teams and Head Coaches are as followed.

11U White - Joe Diciola, 12U Black - Ari Gallo & Sarah Loy, 12U Orange - Rich Willix, 13U Black - Eric Beck, 13/14U White - Alexis Peplow, 14U Orange - Bree Willix, 16U Black - Katie Moyer and 16U Orange Sara Montes Kennedy. Each team has been entered in the Carol Stream League and the Melrose Park League. Weather has been on our side so far this Fall and the teams are shining bright for sure. Each team is showing much promise and we want to remind parents this is an uphill climb for Fall. Players are getting use to coaches, new teammates and a new set of rules. The coaches and I work hard at practice plans, line ups and above all else seeing different competition. We have so much to look forward to in the month ahead with league

championships, tournaments and so much more before we head in doors.

### **MSP STARS OF THE MONTH**

Every month, all the coaches meet for our monthly coaches meeting. We go over games, practices, team activities etc. The biggest item to talk about is the MSP Star of the Month. These players are not always the ones that hit the game winning runs, pitch the most strikes or even throw the hardest. These players are the ones that stand out with their attitude, effort and team spirit. We honor these players each and every month. Each STAR of the Month will receive a STAR necklace for the month. This gets them out of burps, softball suicides, running, or any punishment the team has to do. Plus they get the swag for the month. This month we have four players that have stood out above all the rest. They are as followed.

#### **MSP STAR PLAYER of the MONTH ELLIETTE BOND**

TEAM: 12U Black **POSITION: Utility** GRAD YEAR: 2032

REASON FOR PofM: Elliette is in her second vear as an MSP Star. According to Coach Ari and Coach Sarah, Elliette consistently shows up focused and ready to compete. She is such a coachable player and an example to her teammates. She is learning new positions, staving in the zone focused with a huge smile on her face.

For these reasons, Elliette is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for September.

> **MSP STAR PLAYER of the MONTH GIULIANA RUSSO**

TEAM: 16U POSITION: Outfielder GRAD YEAR: 2028 REASON FOR PofM: Guiliana is in her fifth

year as an MSP Star. You may not always hear Russo coming, but she will leave you knowing her name by the end of the game. Russo can bunt, hit, run, catch and do it all while being respectful to teammates and coaches. She has been putting in work on and off the field to improve the game she was meant to play. For these reasons, Guiliana is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for September.

#### **MSP STAR PLAYER of the MONTH CALLIE LIEPINS**

TEAM: 12U Orange POSITION: Utility GRAD YEAR: 2031

REASON FOR PofM: Callie is in her first year as an MSP Star. According to Coach Rich this girl is full of smiles, ready to learn and grow and show up for her team. She has been improving in her swing, fielding as well as outfield. She is using her voice to help be a leader for her teammates. Never slows down and always hustles in games and practice. For these reasons, Callie is awarded MSP Star, player of the month of September.

#### **MSP STAR PLAYER OF MAY ALYSSA BUSCH**

TEAM: <u>13/14U White</u> POSITION: Utility GRAD YEAR: 2030

REASON FOR PofM: Alyssa is in her first year as an MSP Star. According to Coach Alexis she is consistently showing up for her teammates. Communicating with teammates and coaches to ensure everyone is on the same page. Looking to improve any chance she can by different drills within practices and games. When mistakes are made, she hustles after the ball and knows where the play is next. For these reasons, Alyssa is awarded MSP Star, player of the month for September.

Honorable mentions for player of the month were

Rubye Fulton (11U White) Kaelyn Steinman (13U Black) Maggie Volk (14U Orange) Millie Nelson (16U) MSP STAR, PLAYER OF THE MONTH!

### **What are teams up too?**

#### 11U White

This team has being entering HOT for the beginning of Fall. They are currently in 1st place for the Carol Stream Fall 11U schedule. Pitching has been spot on, bats are on fire, and all the girls are working hard. Coach Joe and Coach Matt see each player hustling, determined and above all else thirsty for the W. Soon they will be using more of bunt coverages and getting more active in the short game against competition. **13/14U White** 

#### **12U Black**

This team never quits. As they love to say "Pressure is a Privilege" and they know it. Coach Ari and Coach Sarah are seeing these ladies come together and working hard. They have taken a couple of licks, but keep on ticking. In the next month the focus will be on footwork and ball approach. Players need to know how to stop the ball without stopping themselves.

#### **12U Orange**

Coach Rich sees so much potential in this team from pitching depth, catching and fielders he knows his team will come around. With only three players returning from last year's team, this team is learning to trust each other and the process of BALL, BASE, and BACK UP. With the tough competition ahead of them, this team has shown what they can do and what they can improve on. They are fights and will always seize the day!

#### **13U Black**

This team is tough and will be tough going into Spring season. Currently the team is made up of 12u and 13u players that are finding their groove with each other and the coaches. Coach Eric sees potential at every turn and knows they will accomplish great things. They just need to push through the small stuff and have the mind of a goldfish. Keep pushing ladies and you will place more W in the win column for sure.

This team has been inching closer and closer each week. Coach Alexis who is new with us this year has made a lasting impression and it shows. Each player on this year is a first year Star with the exception of one returning player. They are feeling eachother out. Strengths weaknesses. highs and lows. Plus Fall events like volleyball, flag football and other sports schedules to move around. Coach Alexis

knows, once this team

gets moving there is no

holding back.

### **14U Orange**

This team is going on year 5 of being together. They lost four players to other teams but gained four new players to take their place. The talent is there, it is now getting the chemistry to fit all together. Coach Bree and Coach Nate are working on just that. The wins will start to come once all players are present at practices and games. There are three players that made their varsity high school sports teams, plus a handful of others playing Fall sports. Scheduling, homecoming, football games, plus high school

will make anyones head

spin.

### **Black & Orange**

**16U** 

This year for the Fall we have a soon to be MSP Star mascot ready to be born. Coach Sara is expecting her first son in October and we wish her the best. She comes to games as much as she can, but it is always challenging for sure. We want to wish her all the best and will be seeing baby pictures in the next newsletter for sure! Coach Katie is moving people around to play in both the Carol Stream league and the Melrose Park league. There is a ton of talent all around, and getting everyone on the same page. Practices for hitting and fielding have all been together. This is to ensure everyone is on the same page for defensive plays, hitting and bunt coverages. We have also had a couple of injuries with players due to High School sports. This has put a damper on our record, but Coach Katie knows, this team will prevail for sure!

### **DOUBLE GOOD FUNDRAISING**

This month we have our first fundraiser which is Double Good Popcorn. This is a big fundraiser and helps out the program financially from tournaments, practices, games, speed and agility and so much more. Our fundraising window begins on October 15, 2025 at 5:00 PM and goes until October 19,2025 at 5:00 PM.

We are asking parents and players to reach out to family, friends, coworkers, or anyone that likes popcorn. Use social media, texting any avenue you can think of to get the word out to direct them to your popup store. The more you sell in your pop store, the more you earn toward MSP Star gear.

We will be offering prizes as well.

Sell \$150 worth of popcorn and receive a customized MSP Stars T-Shirt.

Sell \$250 worth of popcorn and receive a customized MSP Stars sweatshirt.

Sell \$350 worth of popcorn and receive a customized MSP Stars jacket.

Sell \$500 worth of popcorn and receive an of ALL THREE!

Before the fundraiser begins:
1. Download the Double Good app
2. Enter our event code SXL YNF in the app
3. Create your Pop-Up Store

## **MSP STARS TRIVIA NIGHT**

For the past two years trivia night has been a success. Getting parents to meet each other, bond and most of all raise money. It is a fun night, but it takes volunteers to have such an amazing night. This years trivia night is March 7, 2026.

We are looking for a parent volunteer from each team to help coordinate this event. If we have two people from each team that would work as well. We will not start out monthly meetings until November 2025. This will help with communication to teams, baskets, tickets, etc. The more help we have the better.

If you wish to volunteer for your team please contact Coach Katie at 708-299-2513 or email at info@mcfaddensportsperformance.com

### MSP OCTOBER 2025

Below are the schedules that are in Playmetrcs for the month of October. If you can not make a practice, please let your head coach know and we can see about adding you to another practice to ensure you are getting the practice you are needed. Playmetrics is very vital for our coaches. That being said we MUST ensure that ALL players are accounted for as far as attendance. This must be done BEFORE practice. We set our practice plan up for the amount of players we have at each practice.

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