

WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS PREMIER FIELD HOCKEY ACADEMY

The Concept

West Vancouver Schools offers a linear schedule which provides the students the opportunity to complete their academic coursework in the morning, and then to participate in field hockey skill development training in the afternoon, all during school hours.

The Premier Field Hockey Academy is one of the district's special programs for students Grades 8-12 who are registered full time at any one of the district's three secondary schools: Rockridge, École Sentinel or West Vancouver Secondary.

Courses

By participating in the Field Hockey Academy, students (8-12) receive the following Ministry course depending upon the student grade level:

- Physical & Health Education 8
- Physical & Health Education 9
- Physical & Health Education 10
- Fitness & Conditioning 11
- Fitness & Conditioning 12

Personnel

Head Coach: Mr. Geoff Matthews

Head Coach, Geoff Matthews is also the WVFHC Technical Director, overseeing all aspects of the Athlete / Player pathway, Coaches Education, Umpire mentorship and Touring

Assistant Coach: Ms. Isabelle Roux

Assistant Coach, Isabelle Roux played in the Netherlands for 11 years.

Assistant Coach: Karli Johansen

Assistant Coach, Karli Johansen is a former National Team player & played 70 games with the University of Iowa Hawkeyes.

Schedule

Location: Rutledge Field

Days: WVS follows a linear system. This means that the students will participate as follows:

Week One: Last period of the day: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Week Two: Last period of the day: Tuesday, Thursday

Time: 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

*Note: that during the winter months (December, January & February) when the weather is not conducive to participating outdoors on-field, we provide indoor activities such as Indoor Field Hockey, Yoga, Fitness Training or Martial Arts. The goal is to provide a variety of cross training opportunities for the students.

Clothing/Equipment

We would like students all uniformly dressed. The clothing includes such items as t-shirts, shorts, jackets, and a water bottle. Optional items are also available such as long-sleeved shirts and hoodies. Students are also required to have turf cleats for the all-weather terrain at Rutledge.

Once registration is complete, parents will be informed & provided an online link (May/June) to order the mandatory & optional clothing items. Parents will also be provided with a deadline date when all online orders must be completed.

Transportation

Transportation is provided one-way for students at each of the schools (Rockridge, Sentinel & West Vancouver Secondary). Students board the buses out front of their respective schools. Parents are responsible for picking up the students at the end of the training sessions (e.g., 3:00 p.m.)

Fees

\$275 per month x 10 months (September – June)
Total: \$2750 per year

Process for Registration Completion

Complete & submit a Student Information Form to the Premier Field Hockey Academy at <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/fieldhockey> A reminder to ensure the student's most recent report card is uploaded with the registration.

The student application is reviewed by the coaching staff and then parents are informed via email from the Academy Office. Please note that we encourage students to come out and try a session to see if this might be a good fit! There is no obligation, but we guarantee a great experience!

Once parents receive student confirmation of acceptance into the academy, parents will receive the following forms to be completed:

- Physical Activity (Par-Q & You)
- Waiver
- Health & Safety

Parents complete the registration process by providing a non-refundable deposit of \$275 via School Cash Online. This non-refundable deposit covers September's fees and confirms the student's registration.

Please note that Academy fees for October to June will be processed through School Cash Online enabling parents to initiate automated monthly payments via credit card or direct debit.

For further information regarding registration please contact:

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