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**To:** All WVFC Junior Members

**From:** WVFC Junior Committee

**Date:** September 10, 2025

**Re:** Junior girls playing for **MULTIPLE CLUBS** in junior leagues

**Background:** It has come to our attention that several of our junior players are playing on teams from competing clubs during Spring League. While the league does not police this, we do not believe members should be playing for multiple clubs in the same season, competing against one another in the same league, regardless of age groups. This includes the Greater Vancouver Junior Field Hockey League (GVJFHL) and the Premier Field Hockey League (PFHL).

Club loyalty fosters a strong team culture, which can improve the overall success of the team. Such commitment builds trust and promotes stability within the club. The absence of demonstrated dedication to your team may cultivate feelings of confusion and resentment from teammates, working against team cohesiveness. WVFC offers plenty of high-quality programming year-round to serve our junior members from kindergarten to grade 12.

Practical issues of playing for more than one club may include:

1. You may be taking the spot on a team that another loyal WVFC member would love
2. Scheduling conflicts/absences for practices, games, and tournaments
3. Leaving your team short for games; creating more work for your team's manager
4. It is difficult to include you in special plays or roles (e.g. penalty corners) if you plan to play for the opposition

**Effective Spring 2026 Season:** If you are found to be playing for more than one club during any junior leagues, you will be asked to choose one club, mid-season, no refunds. To be clear, you may choose to play for a different club in each season, and this does not affect adult leagues as they are governed differently. This does not affect your choice to participate in development programs or travel teams through school districts or private entities.

**Action:** If this situation applies to you, please reach out so we can have a conversation about your player's motivations and long-term pathway. Every family must do what is best for their child, and all clubs have distinct offerings, values, and priorities while delivering sport.

**We are here to provide information to help with your decision, and to gather feedback to learn how we can make WVFC your first choice.**

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