



**2026 Season Kick Off**



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Agenda  
Athletic Director Message  
2026 Season Overview  
What are our roles?  
Expectations  
Communications



From Buford HS Athletic  
Director

Please be aware of Code of  
Conduct and Social Media Policy  
that you signed in Dragonfly

Look Back at 2025 Season:

- Advanced to 2<sup>nd</sup> round of State Playoffs
- First year staff additions of Coach Whit, Coach Fab and Coach Ravencraft were tremendous
- Played full JV schedule as we develop our players with game minutes

2026 Season:

- “Full” Game schedule of 17 V / 10 JV with hope to add some more
- *GHSA change to playoff seedings – replacing Area finish with rankings in Laxpower.com*

2026 Season:

Playoff Qualification:

- The top 24 teams in each division qualify for the playoffs.
- Each Area Winner receives an automatic bid and is seeded according to its Lax Numbers ranking.
- The remaining teams are selected and seeded strictly by Lax Numbers rankings. (<https://laxnumbers.com>)
- Area assignments are used only to determine automatic bids and do not affect playoff seeding.

Bracket Format:

- Each division will have a 24-team bracket.
- Teams ranked 1–8 receive a first-round bye.
- Teams ranked 9–24 compete in the first round (#9 vs. #24, #10 vs. #23, #11 vs 22, etc.).

Our Roles

Players play, coaches coach and families support

Support – Your encouragement  
Your talents  
Your money

**Players Role**

*Players need to be at practice.*  
Practice is mandatory

Conflicts need to be communicated in advance by the player

Don't send someone else to deliver your message

**Players Role**

*Players need to play in games.*  
JV and V games

Development of every player is our goal. We will swing players from each roster at times to get them more minutes/gain experience.

Everyone in our program is important – practice reps lead to team success

**Schedule and Conflicts**

Try to avoid appointments that are not urgent but we understand not always possible.

Communicate with coaches on important family conflicts.

Players need to manage their time.

**Family Role - Support**

Support – Your encouragement  
Your time (and talent)  
Your money

Your Encouragement

Trust that our coaching staff is doing our best  
– Don't coach your player from the fence

GHSAA Statement Read for a Reason

Repping the B – Always & Everywhere

Your Time & Talents

Managing 9 Home Games is Lift  
Concessions – At least 1 shift this season

Events Help (Teacher Appreciation Night,  
Youth Night)

Clock Operator / Table Scorebook

Your Money

2026 Lacrosse Season: \$450

Officials (\$330 per doubleheader),  
Player Packs,  
Pre-Game meals, Hudl & Filming,  
Awards Night, Gate Workers,  
Equipment, etc

Payments

Can give a check, we can send a credit  
card link or you can come to school and  
our bookkeeper can run credit card.

Want to have monies collected and  
turned into accounting by Mon Feb 2.

### Sponsorships

A way to help the program over and above your player's fee.

A sponsor can cover a player's fee but we ask that they do more than the \$450. (We recognize starting at \$500 level)

#### **SPONSORSHIP FORM 2026**

##### **WOLF Support - Any Amount up to \$500**

Thank you for supporting a Buford lacrosse player this season! Any amount is greatly appreciated. Sponsor Ad displayed on the Buford Lacrosse Website & announced at all home games.

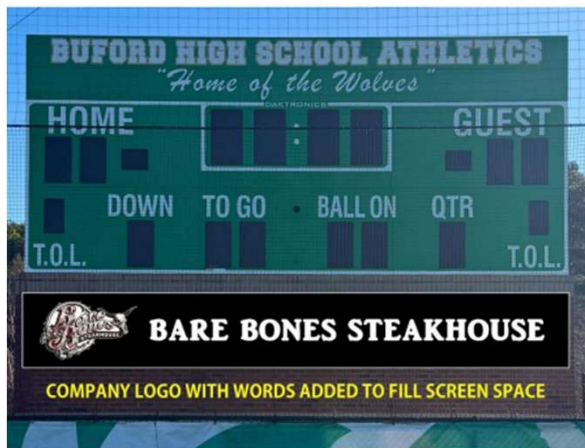
##### **GREEN Sponsorship - \$501 - \$749**

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##### **GOLD Sponsorship - \$750 or More**

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### Pre Game Meals

Pre game meals process managed internally by the coaching staff

Away Games – Both teams before bus

Home Games - JV meal if have the early home game

Pre Game Meals

Pre game meals are mandatory team events.

Request each family donate 2 items:

Case of water or sports drink

And

Family size pack of individual chips, granola bars, gummy snacks, etc

Schedule and Conflicts

We are a spring sport and don't get off every school day holiday.

Everyone should have the season schedule including game schedule

Communications

Coaches to Players via GroupMe and school emails

Coaches to parents via email (routine)

Coaches to parents via phone (urgent)

Communications

If you have an issue you would like to discuss, please reach out and we'll make time to address it.

Right after a game is not appropriate to talk about playing time.

Communications

Communications should be handled:

1. Player w/ Coach
2. Parents & Player w/ Coach
3. Parents w Athletic Director & Coach
4. Parents with Principal

Game Days

Away games we'll eat Team Meal before getting on the bus.

Players will take the team bus to all away games. Players *unplug* from phones on the ride to the game.

You are welcome to sign your player out to ride home with you after game.

Game Days

Home game doubleheaders:

If JV plays first they will stay, eat Team Meal, set up field, warm up and play.

V free after school, eat on their own and will report back for game.



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