

Fighting to succeed

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Dedication, desire, strength, and teamwork. The JV lacrosse team has improved each of these skills since the team began practicing. Lots of work and determination allowed for the team to greatly improve. They learned how to work together as a team and therefore won more games because they were one single unit not just a bunch of guys on a field.

Lacrosse had been a growing program for the past couple of years. More players returned each year, contributing to the team's victories. Also, more kids are playing in Jr. High and become a part of the team in high school.

"It's really great to see the guys play fundamental lacrosse at that level," said **Ryan Ferris, 12**, varsity lacrosse goalie.

Ferris has played lacrosse since junior high and has helped his brother, **Scott Ferris, 9**, reach his maximum potential. They pass with each other and shoot on goal. Basic skills develop a great lacrosse player.

The team worked together to accomplish what needed to get done in order to win. Still, they struggled with injured players like **Adrian Cone, 9**.

"I think our team's pretty good this year. We've only had a few losses and I think our team will play well in the tournament," said **Cone**.

The team also learned by standing on the sidelines during all varsity lacrosse games. The boys would all dress and cheer their team on during the games. While also cheering they were learning what it took to play at a varsity level. Also, just by watching a better team, the boys became a better team. This team unity helped the JV to success.



Passing to score. Jake Hiudt, 9, prepared to receive a pass from one of his teammates. **Hiudt's** hard work and determination helped his team to a successful season. **Hiudt** was also a great asset to the team. His attitude both on and off the field helped to motivate players to always do their best.



Row 1: Gannon Kast, 9, Vitor Rosa, 9, Brian Silverman, 9, Jake Hiudt, 9, Alex Gennett, 9, Rob Philpott, 9, Joey Bartl, 9, Stephen Carnes, 9, Tony Miller, 9, and Kevin Hall, 9. **Row 2:** Kevin Hess, 9, Aleks Jovic, 10, Sam Snow, 10, Allen Streck, 9, Cory Boskind, 9, Zek Gilbert, 10, Michael Evers, 9, Kyle Papia, 9, John Bregger, 9, Scotty Ferris, 9, Josef Majehrzak, 9, Benjamin Kreinik, 9, Aaron Cain, 9, and Geoff Peters, 9. **Row 3:** Adrian Cone, 9, David Barnard, 10, Corey Schwartz, 10, Dimtriy Bikmayev, 9, Taylor Straubing, 9, Jack Ricci, 10, Matt Scheer, 9, Adam Merz, 9, Andrew Mott, 9, Greg van Amerongen, 10, Jeff Uckotter, 9, Jamie Dowdall, 9, and Coach Nocito.