

# GORHAM RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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## NOTICE: Travel Team Criteria

This letter is to inform you the distinction between “House Teams” and “Travel Teams” are and how the selection for “Travel Teams” will be made.

A “House Team” is based on paid registrations through the Recreation Department. When a child is registered they will place on a team by the Recreation Director and he/she will ensure that each team is as even as possible. Play time on these teams is based on “equal time” for each child, as it is a learning environment.

A “Travel Team” is above and beyond the “house teams”. Playing on a “Travel Team” is not a right, but a privilege to those children who display exceptional skill in the sport. Choosing a travel team will be done so we may send the “best” team possible. Travel teams play in tournaments where the ultimate goal is to win. This does not diminish the fact that the travel team still represents the Gorham Recreation Department as well as the Town of Gorham and will conduct itself accordingly. Winning does matter but it will not come at the expense of a child’s well being both physical and mental.

Prior to the beginning of the season, each player and parent/guardian shall receive, read and sign the “Code of Conduct” handout. This handout is a guideline for the type of student athletes we want representing the Gorham Recreation Department as well as the Town of Gorham.

The following criteria will be used in assessing whether the player will be chosen: attitude, effort, coachability, ability, respect toward coaches / referees / adults / fellow players, overall sportsmanship, attendance at games and practices.

Sincerely,  
Jeffery S. Stewart, Director  
Gorham Parks and Recreation Department