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Dear Biddeford Recreation Tiger Field Hockey Families:

Thank you for registering for fall youth field hockey with the Biddeford Recreation Department! We are so excited to get the season underway in a couple of weeks! We are sharing this informational update with reminders to make sure everyone is prepared for the season and ensure the best experience for your child!

Season Schedule: August 28th through October 25th, 2025.

Practice Information: William A. Doran Sr. Field for practices.

Grades K-2: Tuesday's and Thursday's 5:00pm-6:00pm

Grades 3-6: Tuesday's and Thursday's 5:00pm-6:30pm

To accommodate school open house schedules and families who are on vacation, the first practices of the season are treated like pre-season – it is ok to miss these sessions or arrive late if needed!

**Games Overview:** games will begin the weekend of September 14th. Players will have opportunities to play on turf fields at Waterhouse Field and regional towns for games and tournaments throughout the season. We will add those schedules to the online schedule under Team Info following the regional community meeting, typically held at the end of August. There will be no games scheduled on Sunday, October 12th.

**Halloween Havoc Save the Date:** We are hosting our annual Halloween Havoc in collaboration with the Biddeford Varsity Field Hockey program on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at Waterhouse Field. Thank you to Coach Tremberth for your support of our program and organizing this great opportunity for youth field hockey games in southern Maine!

**Equipment Needed:** Participants are required to bring a stick, goggles, mouthguard and shin pads. Some sticks are available for use during the season, however, players are encouraged to purchase their own. Those looking to borrow equipment should email <a href="mailto:sports@biddefordmaine.org">sports@biddefordmaine.org</a>. Cleats are recommended.

**Coaches:** Joining us this season is Coach Kim Cochrane-Coleman! Additional Parent Volunteers will also be needed. Our youth sports program rely on team volunteers and if you are available to volunteer as a coach this season, please includes this during your child's registration. If you did not initially sign up and would like to help, please email Sports Division Staff at <a href="mailto:sports@biddefordmaine.org">sports@biddefordmaine.org</a>. We will provide coaching info and can supply practice plans. Thank you for supporting our programs!

**Picture Day:** Picture Day will be announced soon! We will hold this event during a regularly scheduled practice. Please look for separate updates later this month about Picture Day with the team schedules and photo ordering information.

**Cancellations:** practices and games may be impacted by weather throughout the season. Weekday practice cancellations are typically determined by 3:00PM and weekend cancellations are typically determined that morning. Updates are posted as an alert at <a href="https://www.biddefordrec.com">www.biddefordrec.com</a>. Whenever possible, we may also email or text schedule changes, so please make sure your contact information is current in your Biddeford Recreation household account online. Facebook will not be used to post schedule updates this season.

Questions? Please email please email Biddeford Recreation Sports Division Staff at sports@biddefordmaine.org.

Thank you for taking the time to read through this! We look forward to a great field hockey season and will see you all on the fields this fall!

Sincerely,

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