

Dear 1996-1997 Parents and Players,

Congratulations on making it into the Ohio South state pool. We look forward to working with all of you in the next few months as we train and prepare for state team selections and regional camp.

We would like to take a few moments to further explain what will be taking place in the upcoming weeks.

All players on the list posted on the website are considered in the state pool.

These players will continue to train each Wed. night from 5:45-8:00 p.m. for the following dates:

State Pool Training for all State Pool players:

4/29, 5/6, 5/13, and 5/20 (After this date we will make our first selection process)

State Pool Training for Second Round of Pool Players Only

5/27 and 6/3 (After this date we will name those selected to the State Team and alternates).

State Team and Alternates Training

6/10, 6/17, 6/24, 7/1 (After this date teams will depart for Regional Camp in July).

Over the next several weeks, the coaches will train and eventually identify those players who will be on the state team and who will go to regional camp. In the 1996 and 1997 age groups we will select two teams; however they will be selected as we did previously by those born in the first six months of the year and those born in the second six months of the year.

We also recognize that regional camp might not be the right fit for everyone. Sometimes the cost to attend regional camp is too high (usually around \$500-\$600) or due to family commitments you may not be able to attend regional camp. There are also those players who do not do well away from home without their parents. This is why we ask that you and your player review the process explained above, and let us know by May 13, what your decision is regarding your participation in ODP for the remainder of the year. Please note that 1998 birth years will not be selected to go to regional camp.

Please note if your son or daughter commits to going to camp, our expectation is that if they are selected they will go. All players who decide not to attend camp will not be selected to continue to the State Pool after May 20th. If a player is selected to attend and decides not to go, they will forfeit half of their camp deposit (\$125.00), and it will be used toward the person chosen to attend in their place. This is done so we may concentrate on preparing those players who are attending Regional Camp. Players who have not turned in the Commitment letter will not be selected to continue after May 20th.

Please detach this portion of the form and turn it in to your age group administrator by May 13th. Please keep the above information for your records.

Name of Player: _____

Year Born: _____

Yes, I would like to be considered for the state team and understand the terms outlined above.

No, I would not like to be considered for the state team at this time, but would like to continue to attend the extended training for the remainder of the sessions.

Player Signature _____

Parent Signature _____