

2011 Girls' Lacrosse Season in Review

2011 was a strong comeback season for the Silver Knight girls' lacrosse program. Despite the inconsistent and very wet weather of this spring, both the JV and Varsity teams had winning seasons and experienced much growth in skill level and teamwork.

The Varsity team fought back from a tough 2-4 start and went on an 11-game winning streak, beating all but one of their regional Division 2 opponents as well as capturing wins against four Division 1 teams. The Silver Knights were led by a strong group of returning varsity players, including six seniors - four of who made up the defensive line. Senior captains Lissie Russert and Jenna Joseph led the team to a #4 seed for post-season play, where we met Columbus Academy in the Regional Semifinals. The Silver Knights played their best game of the season but lost an extremely close game to the would-be Division 2 State Champions Columbus Academy Vikings 8-10. Freshmen Libby David, Laura Geraciotti and Sarah Mahon all served as "swing" players this season, seeing action in both JV and Varsity games. The Silver Knights will return 12 varsity players for the 2012 season.

The JV team saw much success against many of the state's most competitive programs, including a win over Mariemont and a tie with Division 1 Dublin Coffman. Some players experienced their first season of lacrosse, including both goalies, Sydney Carter and Ebele de la Bay-Coffie. The team was led by sophomore captains Christine Cassidy, Rehtta Maynard, and Chrissy Thurner.

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The Summit girls varsity team finished the season with a .500 record of 8-8-1. With a challenging schedule of top Division 1 teams in the state and very evenly matched Division 2 teams, it was a challenging year for the Silver Knights. The team lost some very close games to Lakota West, Mariemont, Ursuline, Wellington and Laurel, and with each loss came some growing pains, but also much learning and growing. Summit Country Day was seeded fourth in the Division 2 South/Central region and after a huge victory over Kings, lost a very competitive game against Mariemont 9-12 in the second round of the post-season tournament.

Our three varsity senior captains, Maggie David, Liz Edwards and Brianne Ward led the team with competitiveness, confidence and grace. They will certainly be missed next year, but they have left our incoming upperclassmen with great examples of leadership. The coaching staff, school and community are all very proud of our girls lacrosse teams and the improvement they've shown. We are looking forward to a great season in 2011!

The JV team had a great season of challenging games, good wins and some close losses. The coaches saw much improvement from each of the players as the season progressed and the girls formed a strong team unity. Meghan Glass and Katie Voytek were voted by their teammates as captains and provided great leadership and guidance for the team this season. Rachel Argo, Audy Dahl, Laura Geraciotti, Ellie Middleton and Christine Smith were invited to play with the varsity team for post-season play.

Best of luck to those who are competing this summer! Enjoy the summer break and we will be in touch in the fall.

Coach Meg