

Overlake Captain's Selection Program – FAQs

Q: If no players decide to take on this process for a program, does this mean there would be no captains named for the team?

A: Yes, this would mean that no one on the team could be recognized by the Overlake Athletic Department & Coaching Staff as "Captain." However, there is always room to be a leader.

Q: If one player in a program completes the process, does this make them captain by default?

A: No. The coach will make the captain's selection after the application is submitted and read. However, if the coach does not choose to endorse any applicant, the coach does not have to name a captain.

Q: How does this process work for team members from another school who combine to form a program? (Bear Creek combines with Overlake to form the Baseball program)

A: Combine programs would need to have an AD-approved process as an alternative.

Q: Since all of these requirements would need to be met before a season begins, is there an expectation that completing them should influence team placement? For example, if a player completes the captain application process and may be the only one to complete it, do they need to make the varsity roster as a captain.

A: No, they could serve as a JV captain, if that JV coach approves.

Q: If multiple players complete the process, are they all to be named 'captain?'

A: No, the final choice is made by the coach but can consult with the athletic director if needed.

Q: How is the reasoning for the completion of the requirements as a transaction that results in receiving the title a good thing for athletes?

A: Just like job or college applications, just because you apply for something doesn't mean you'll get the job or get accepted into college.

Q: Is there any role to be played in the captain selection process by teammates, the ones who would be played under the leadership of these captains.

A: If there is an alternative-selection process, submitted by the coach and approved by the AD by the deadlines published, that will be what is expected of that program.

Q: Does this new process and the timing of it mean the captains cannot/should not be named for the offseason?

A: Yes, they must complete the process, and have it approved by the coach before being named captain. The coach can make the determination any time after receiving the completed application.

Q: If a player is a captain as a junior, do they need to reapply for the ability to be a captain as a senior?

A: Yes

Other Considerations:

Not every program plans to name a captain. Please speak to the coach directly about their plans. However, this leadership training is a benefit to any athlete regardless of whether or not they are named a captain.