



**Brad Battista** has been a volunteer assistant with the Maynard Jackson High School team for three seasons and is currently coaching the DLYLA 11U and 9U squads. He is a Boston area native and played division 1A lacrosse at Boston College High School. In college, he organized, coached, and played on the Washington & Lee University club team in Lexington, Virginia. Coach Battista, currently plays with Coach Koch in the Atlanta Lacrosse League competing against players half his age.

As a crease defenseman, Coach Battista has a passion and enthusiasm for strong defensive fundamentals combined with an anticipatory and opportunistic strategy. He expects each of his players, including Attackmen and Middies, to take pride in their individual and team defense. He strongly believes that HOW a team prepares for practice, warms up, and goes through drills and simulations translates directly to in-game performance and long-term player development.