



Sagamore Junior Sailing is pleased to announce that Christine Valeri Briggs will be rejoining us as our Program Director. A third-generation resident of Oyster Bay, Christine has a close affiliation with the Sagamore family. Her grandparents, Dan and Ethel Valeri were honorary members of the club. As such, Christine participated in several club events and was an integral part of Sagamore Junior Sailing where she made lifelong friends.

After graduating from Saint Dominic High School, Christine continued her love of sailing by joining the collegiate sailing team at Roger Williams University where she competitively raced against Brown, Boston University, Connecticut College, and Salve Regina. During her summers in college, Christine was hired as an instructor for the Sagamore Junior Sailing Program. She obtained her Merchant Mariner Credential from the United States Coast Guard which gave her the opportunity to be a launch driver. Through the years, Christine has been a launch driver at Sagamore for a total of 15 seasons.

During Christine's first two seasons as the Program Director, she was able to work collaboratively with the Board of Trustees to hire an experienced team of sailing instructors, secure funds for a much-needed shed, and incorporated a traditional sailing awards dinner that was enjoyed by all.

Christine will continue the mission of working alongside the SJS Board and SYC membership to take the Junior Sailing Program to the next level. Her focus will center around instilling a love of sailing to all the children enrolled in the program!