

2008-2009 Try Out Information

We are pleased to announce plans for our 16th season of hockey. Thank you for your interest in the Tri-City Eagles Youth Hockey Organization. We understand that there are many excellent choices for your family's time and energy and we also appreciate that as good as we believe we are, we aren't for everyone. So time looking at us and learning about our unique program is time well spent.

To that end, there is a mandatory orientation meeting at the Gardens Ice House, Thursday, April 24, 2008. It will begin at 6:15 PM and will last 45 minutes. You will receive an overview of the program and an opportunity to meet the coaches and to ask any question you want. Registration for try outs will also occur.

We have made several important changes to the try out program. These are being incorporated with the goal of choosing the right player for the right team.

(1) The first session for each age group (Monday, April 28th) will be only for players that did not play for TCE in the 2007-2008 season. Our thought here is that the skate will give the coaches a better opportunity to see "new" players before a larger group is assembled. It will also give the "new" player an opportunity to meet the coaches and see if he or she likes them. The rest of the week everyone will be included.

(2) We will collect \$580 from everyone for try outs, the \$80 try out fee and a \$500 deposit.

- If a player is offered a slot on a team and registers, \$500 will be counted as the first payment towards the season tuition..
- If a player is offered a slot on a team and later decides not to play for TCE then we will keep the entire amount.
- If a player announces that he or she will not play for the gold team as requested before the last try outs (and they don't make the blue team) the \$500 will be returned.

Obviously we want players and families who are dedicated to the organization to be chosen. We are not interested in folks who are solely shopping for what they consider to be the best team around. By working hard and contributing together we will create the best experience around!

(2) Birth Year Teams. Unless the player is ranked in the top 10 skaters, for peewees and bantams, we are restricting the first year players to the gold team. It is our intent to try to create team play and chemistry where players get used to playing with each other over a couple of years, while at the same time developing players to their highest potential. Goaltenders will be evaluated separately and birth year will be considered in the overall evaluation and selection process.

- (3) There will be a modest increase in fees including the fact that the off ice fitness program will be an optional additional charge (not included in the basic tuition).

Registration will occur Monday, May 5 th. Please plan accordingly. We will have multiple stations so the process will be very simple. But YOU must plan to register that evening. Thank you!

Try Out Schedule- Note each time and date as they change

**Squirts: Monday, April 28: 6:10 to 7:10 PM (“newcomers” only) (Logsdon Pavilion)
Tuesday, April 29: 6:10 to 7:10 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)
Wednesday, April 30: 6:10 to 7:10 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)
Thursday, May 1: 6:10 to 7:10 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)**

**Pee Wees: Monday, April 28: 7:20 to 8:20 PM (“newcomers” only) (Logsdon Pav)
Tuesday, April 29: 7:20 to 8:20 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)
Wednesday, April 30: 7:20 to 8:20 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)
Thursday, 7:20 to 8:20 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)**

**Bantams: Monday, April 28: 8:30 to 9:30 PM (“newcomers” only) (Logsdon Pav)
Tuesday, April 29: 8:30 to 9:30 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)
Wednesday, April 30: 8:30 to 9:30 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)
Thursday, May 1: 8:30 to 9:30 PM (Logsdon Pavilion)**

**Midgets: Monday, April 28: 8:15 to 9:15 PM (“newcomers” only) Resor Rink
Tuesday, April 29: 8:00 to 9:20 PM (Resor Rink) Midget Goalies will get the last twenty minutes
Wednesday, April 30: 6:40 to 8:10 PM (Resor Rink) Ice will be split on Tues
Thursday, May 1: 8:00 to 9:30 PM (Resor Rink) Ice will be split on Wednesday**

The midgets are playing on the Resor Rink to provide as much ice as possible. Players may be asked to appear early or stay later to meet with the coaches. We understand everyone is very busy but we are extremely anxious to be sure every player lands on the right team.

Thank you very much for your interest in the Tri-City Eagles!

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