

# 8U Hockey Registration Info 2021-22

**MRC's Mission**: Midcoast Recreation Center, a nonprofit organization, is committed to the promotion of healthy living in our community through sports and fitness programs.

# **Program Goal:**

We follow the American Development Model (ADM) station based practices that are designed for Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD). Our goal is for our kids to find joy in the game and set a great foundation for their future success on and off the ice.

# Schedule:

We have scheduled a 20 week season starting on October 5th not including a few weeks off at Thanksgiving and Christmas time as we believe it's important to spend time with family and to get some breaks. Practices will be Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30-6:30pm. Half-ice games will be on Saturdays at 8-9am. A full season schedule will be provided at a later time.

# Cost:

Cost is \$350 for the full season and all tournaments must be signed up for an additional charge. A deposit of \$100 must be made to register and a payment plan of \$50/month thereafter until balance is complete is required. Please note that all of our programs are eligible for financial assistance and one of our guiding principles is that we do not turn anyone away regardless of their ability to pay. Financial Assistance must be approved prior to registration. There will also be an option to join MCSA's house hockey program for kids who are 2013 birth years for an additional cost.

### **Registration Deadline:**

<u>September 14th</u> is the Registration Deadline. Any registrations after this date will be subject to a \$50 surcharge.

# **Registration Process:**

- 1. Register with USA Hockey. Link to register: <u>www.usahockeyregistration.com</u>
- 2. Register with MRC. Call our Front Desk, 236-9400
- 3. If you plan to help coach, please contact Jesse to coordinate the training and to understand what is involved.
- 4. We use the TeamReach app for communication. Group code is "MRC8U2021"



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Additional information is below and please take the time to read. If you are not planning to play hockey this year please let us know and please let us know why so we can avoid giving you a season start phone call.

Teams will be broken up at the start of the season and there will be some movement and shifting of those teams may occur over the course of the season at the discretion of the directors and coaching staff. We believe that our hockey program is like a family and we need to remember that all the decisions that we make are for the long term benefit of the family and to support the growth of all involved. It is very important that everyone attends a mandatory zoom parent meeting at the start of our season as we will discuss the program in further detail and discuss the vision we have for the future.

Your help will be needed and appreciated as we move into the season. There will be some projects and tasks that will need fulfillment and roles that people can take on if they are able to. Giving back to our community and family is an important value that we will promote throughout our program and is something that we hope you are able to help us demonstrate. Our kids learn through us and the examples we set. To make this program function well it takes people who are able to help build the environment. If you are able to help please let us know.

On-ice Directors will be Jesse Simko and Todd Musial. We do believe that poor actions and behavior left to fester and spread are the biggest problems that we face in any group. Please talk with us if you see things brewing as they should be confronted quickly and taken care of before things get worse. Also, if you see that our program has room for improvement (always will) please let us know what you could see that would make our program a better experience and hopefully you'd be helping to volunteer to help make that change happen.

### **Giving Back:**

- Volunteer Take one of the volunteer roles we have (see Volunteer Roles attachment) or we
  could use your Skills or Trade help If you have some skills that could help us grow let us know.
  Could be advertising, carpentry, painting, etc. Whatever is in your wheelhouse and is fun and
  easy for you just let us know and we can get you involved.
- 2. Business Partnership What helps us keep the costs of ice down each year is our sponsors and advertisers. If you are part of a business that may be interested in becoming a partner with MRC it will help us keep our costs down. Let me know if you have an interested business or contact and I'd be happy to follow up with them regarding partnership options.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. I know how busy life can get and I'm so grateful for the time you've spent and will be spending with us.