



Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Junior Huskies Hockey Program? The Junior Huskies Hockey Program is a program designed for girls and boys ranging in age from 3 to 6 years of age who reside in the Andover High School boundaries. It is a learn-to-skate program with a twist. The twist is your child will have the opportunity in this program to be dressed up in hockey equipment supplied by AHYHA (at no cost to you, the parent). The only piece of equipment not supplied by the program is hockey skates. (No figure skates please.) Your child does not need to know how to skate but it would be helpful for them to at least be able to move with a skating walker. Registration will vary throughout the year and all registrations are held on line. Ice time is scheduled at the Andover Community Center with all sessions on Sundays. Parents, don't be concerned if you have never skated, played hockey or know anything about the equipment. At the first session, there will be people there to help guide you through the equipment process and turn you into a hockey parent!

What is fall development? Fall Development is a preseason skill development camp run by AHYHA for all its members. Camp registration is online and registration occurs in July. The camp starts in mid August and runs until the start of tryouts.

What is the MITE MEET-N-GREET? The meet-n-greet occurs in mid October and it is a free skating and fun and games event for our youngest of members. All mites are welcome to attend this event. (Sorry no brothers or sisters please.) All on ice skaters will be required to wear a helmet and gloves. No hockey sticks will be allowed on the ice. This is a skating party only.

What is the S.K.A.T.E. program? The S.K.A.T.E. program was started and is run by Minnesota Hockey and all criteria for this educational program comes from Minnesota Hockey. The "Skaters Keep Achieving Through Education" program acknowledges our members that meet certain educational standards set by Minnesota Hockey during the school grading period that aligns with the hockey season. During the month of March, AHYHA, in conjunction with Minnesota Hockey, acknowledges these students athletes with a S.K.A.T.E. awards banquet.

What is the Barnyard Bash? This is a low key get together for adults only that takes place in September just before the start of the season. The bash gives existing members a chance to reminisce about the good old days and new members to make new acquaintances.

What is 3 on 3 in the Spring for Mites? This program is run for all mites. It is nothing but small area games so that the youngest of our players can handle the puck in small spaces. Games are run on half ice with 3 skaters on each side with frequent line changes. Little or no coaching is provided. It is a program designed to let the kids be kids and to bring out their creativeness with as little structure as possible.