

Changes in the 2012-2013 Try-Out Process

FWYH is currently working with LHSC (Canlan) to come up with a schedule for tryouts for the 2012-2013 season. Once that has been finalized we will send the dates and times to everyone via email and will publish them on our website.

We hope to have them around the same time as last year (late April or early May). There will be a change to the schedule of how coaches will be selected. Instead of picking all of the coaches at one time, we will first select the AA team coaches, have the AA team tryouts, and after all the AA teams have been selected we will have another round of applications and interviews for the A teams, followed by the A team tryouts. Once this round has been completed additional teams may be pursued if there is interest.

There are several reasons why we have decided to go with this format, but the biggest reason is that we want to keep the potential pool of A team coaches as large as possible. I have felt in the past that some quality coaching candidates have not applied to be coaches because they didn't know if their child would make the AA team or not, so they did not apply to coach either team. This way if their child is not selected for the AA team they still have the opportunity to apply to be the A team coach.

Also, as of today, nothing is changing as to what age of players have to try out for what teams. All second year players must still try out for the AA teams. First year players still have the option of trying out for only the A team, and second year players that are not selected for the AA team may still try out for the A team.

There may also be changes to the "Play-Up Policy" but this has yet to be voted on by the board. If changes are approved the new policy will be posted to the web site.

Also, there will be a season ending parent survey. Emails with a link to the survey will be distributed in March, or after Nationals for teams that advance that far.

If you have any questions please let me know.

~ Matt Whitney - FWYH Coaching Director