



**Kansas City Fighting Saints Youth Hockey Association  
POLICY REGARDING ASSIGNMENT OF PLAYERS TO TEAMS  
Adopted March 1, 2014**

The Kansas City Fighting Saints Youth Hockey Association strives to promote the development of youth hockey in a manner that places strong emphasis on fun and enjoyment at the house level. In furtherance of this goal, any age division that has more than one house team should be divided in a manner that makes both teams as evenly matched as possible per the league rule.

The Board of Directors recognizes that the division of teams is not an exact science, and that it will be very difficult to divide players in a manner that produces two teams with identical talent levels. However, the goal in dividing teams should be equality, rather than trying to create an “A Team” and a “B Team”. Teams will not be divided by birth year. Coaches will use an evaluation form to determine evenly matched teams. Teams will be announced two weeks prior to the start of the season.

This policy applies only to the house level programs. In the event the Fighting Saints develops any House Select teams, the members of those teams should be selected based on merit following a tryout process which is open to all members of the relative age group.

In both of the division of teams and the selection of players for select teams, at no time should any player be discriminated against based on race or gender.

On the selection of teams, the coaches for each age division will have the primary discretion for selecting teams. The Board of Directors must approve all final rosters for all teams, and will have the authority to transfer players between teams and remove players from, or add players to, any roster. Any roster change that involves transferring a player or players between teams must be completed prior to the start of the league season.