

Minnesota Hockey 2016 Winter meeting

HEP Committee report

Excellence in Coaching Luncheon: On December 14, we hosted close to 50 Minnesota Hockey coaches and those who nominated them for the Excellence in Coaching Award presented by Park Dental. The coaches attended the Wild's practice that morning at Xcel Energy Center, and then were treated to a Q & A session with Head Coach Mike Yeo. Coach Yeo was fantastic as always.

The day was capped off with lunch at Tom Reid's. Our friends at Park Dental were once again on hand for the day to say thanks to the coaches who make the on-ice experience so special for our kids.

HEP Essay Finalists: We have selected our three finalists from our HEP Essay Contest after going through close to 40 submissions. It was difficult to narrow down, but we arrived at three players, all of whom are in the Squirt/10U Age group. They are:

Landon Hale – St. Cloud Youth Hockey
Kendra Distad – Burnsville
Grace Sadura – Minnetonka

All three will be at the Wild game on Thursday, January 7 to record their videos and then take in the Wild game. The videos will be shown during the Hockey Day Minnesota broadcast on February 6, and the winner will be announced at the end of the night.

As a special treat, we will also be inviting every kid that submitted an essay to the Wild's outdoor game against Chicago on February 21, along with their teammates!

PCA Leadership workshops: Planning is in the early stages for our PCA Leadership workshops to be held later this year in 4-5 locations throughout Minnesota. We also expect a PCA Leadership workshop to be a part of the planned Association Leadership Conference.