



VOLUNTEER / DIBS

What are DIBS?

Running a successful hockey association is a LOT of work. We are a **volunteer-run** hockey community. To help keep things running smoothly, to ensure our association is strong, and to build community among hockey-loving families, each participating family is asked to contribute in some way. Most families choose to volunteer their time, but you may also choose to "buy out" your credits with a financial contribution.

For those families that choose to volunteer their time, we use SportsEngine's DIBS system to schedule and manage volunteer opportunities. If you do not have a SportsEngine Account please create one. Available DIBS shifts will display in the DIBS section at [Mound Westonka Hockey Dib Sessions](#)

There are many opportunities and options for fulfilling your DIBS credits including:

- Coaching / Team Managers
- Board of Directors and Coordinators
- Hockey Operations Committee ("HOC")
- Concession Stands
- Rookie Camp Volunteers
- Fundraising and Event Planning Committees/Event Volunteers
- Clinic and Try Out Volunteers
- District 3 Tournaments (Concessions, Clock, Penalty Box, Game Sheet)
- Shirley Hills Outdoor Ice Rink (flooding, nightly closing)

How many credits are required to fulfill?

7 credits per player with a maximum of 14 credits per family. (As of 2025-2026 Season)

What if I don't want to or cannot volunteer? Is there a Buy-Out Option?

Yes. You can opt to buy-out your required credits by paying \$500 for first player (\$250 each additional player with a family maximum of \$1,000). Buy-out is available at registration. After registration, contact the DIBS Director and Registrar to buy-out your volunteer credits. Once payment is received, you will not be required to fulfill any DIBS volunteer credits. Please note that a Volunteer Buy-Out and a Fundraising Buy-Out are two separate payments.

ATTENTION TRAVEL TEAMS: Each Travel Team has their own mandatory TEAM duties in addition to DIBS. Team Managers will communicate these duties (ex. running the clock/concession stand at travel home games) and assign separately. **Travel team duties are NOT a part of DIBS. Travel Team duties CANNOT be bought-out and are mandatory.** Please note that the Orono-Westonka Warriors Co-op may differ with regards to team duty requirements. Please see your team manager or level rep with questions.

How does the DIBS deposit check work? If you intend to fulfill your DIBS credits (as opposed to the buy-out option), a volunteer deposit check will be collected at registration. Please make checks payable to MSHA and include your players' names in the memo section. Your deposit check will **NOT** be cashed if you fulfill the required credits for the season. Please contact the Registrar with questions.

Travel Players: Your player cannot attend tryouts until a deposit check or buy-out is received.

Non-Travel Players: Your player will not be able to take the ice or be evaluated until a deposit check or buy-out is received.

Additionally, no player will be allowed to take the ice if money is owed from the previous season.