

2019—2020

PROGRAM

INFORMATION



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WELCOME

Dear St. Jude Hockey Families,

Welcome to the *59th season of St. Jude Knights hockey!*

Since 1960, St. Jude's mission has been to educate our youth by teaching positive life values, such as dedication, hard work, self-discipline and good sportsmanship through hockey while providing hockey training and skill development that is second-to-none. We are 100% dedicated to providing all players with opportunities to learn to play ice hockey, to develop and enhance their skills, and to reach their full potential both on and off the ice.

To our newest members, welcome to the St. Jude family. We look forward to getting to know you, cheering with you in the stands, laughing with you on road trips, sharing new adventures, and forming friendships that will last a lifetime.

To our returning families, welcome back. Thank you for helping make St. Jude a wonderful home for all of our kids. Thank you for supporting our players, coaches, and volunteers. Thank you for creating a one-of-a-kind culture that makes St. Jude far more than a club. Thank you for making St. Jude a family.

Let's have another great season!

Go Knights!



St. Jude Values

Goal: The St. Jude Knights Hockey Club is a non-profit organization whose goal is to educate our youth by teaching positive life values, such as dedication, hard work, self-discipline and good sportsmanship.

Purpose: Our purpose as a youth hockey organization is to promote skill development and to teach the fundamentals of this great game.

Our Philosophy: Youth hockey is just a game. We play the game to have fun. Our philosophy is not to win at all costs, but to promote team play for all players at all levels.



For almost **60 years** St. Jude Knights Hockey Club has worked to instill these values into our children through the dedication and support of our many volunteers.

The logo was purposely designed to reflect St. Jude's core values: Dedication, Honor, Tradition, & Community. Here instilled into our logo provides what the principal values our players. Our players in our community assisting in any facet of service and giving back.

Since its inception in 1960, St. Jude has been fully committed to teaching positive life values like **DEDICATION**, hard work, self-discipline and good sportsmanship. It is therefore no coincidence that St. Jude chose a Knight as its emblem over 50 years ago. The Honor Knight at the center of St. Jude's logo embodies these values and is a perfect symbol of St. Jude's commitment to them.

As part of its mission, St. Jude strives to teach all of its players, parents, and coaches to **HONOR** the game. Honoring the game is not easy. It demands genuine respect for **ROOTS** (Rules, Officials, Opponents, Teammates and Self). It demands that we do what is right, even when doing what is right is not easy or popular. It demands standing up for others and helping our friends in need. The police officers and firefighters who work and live in our community are shining examples of Honor and are role models for our players. To show our respect and appreciation for them, the St. Jude Honor Knight holds a sword that is adorned with a gold and silver pommel in the shape of a police officer's star and a firefighter's cross.

The St. Jude hockey club is steeped in **TRADITION** that dates **almost 60 years**. The club was founded in 1960 by a group of families who were members of the St. Jude church in South Holland, Illinois. Many of St. Jude's past players are now coaches and parents of current players. We give back by paying forward.

St. Jude has been proud to serve the South Side Hockey **COMMUNITY** since 1960. We are proud to be South Siders. We are proud of our home. We are proud of our community. We are family in every sense of the word.

CLUB UNIFORMS

All players participating on teams in either NWHL or NIHL will be required to have home and away jerseys, home and away socks, and helmet stickers. The jerseys will feature a sewn-on crest, shoulder patches, player names, and numbers.

This season's provider for the uniform package is Jerry's Hockey Warehouse. Game jerseys and warmup gear (pants and jackets) will be available at Jerry's Hockey Warehouse. Sizing events will take place prior to the start of the regular season.

Dreamstitch is the provider for reversible practice jerseys. If there is a need for new reversible they will be available for \$35 at a sizing event - see emails and social media for dates and times. Reversible jerseys will be the sole game jersey during the seeding round, it is required for all players.

Performance game socks are still in stock and available for purchase at rostering day or through your team manager.

Helmet logo stickers and number decals are available at no cost and provided by the club during rostering.



The official equipment color for St. Jude Hockey is **BLACK**. Helmets, pants and gloves should be **black**.



If you have existing equipment that does not conform, we strongly urge you to purchase black equipment the next time any of the equipment needs to be replaced.

HOCKEY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

St. Jude offers a variety of hockey programs to meet the needs of beginner hockey players who are learning to skate through experienced hockey players seeking the highest levels of competition. The following is a brief overview of our programming.

PLAYER AGE DIVISIONS

No player, boy or girl, House or Travel, may play in a lower age division for any reason. The following are the 2019/20 league playing divisions:

Division	Age / Birth Years
Learn-To-Skate / Little Knights	Ages 3-10
Mite / 8U*	2012 & 2011
Squirt / 10U	2010 & 2009
PeeWee / 12U	2008 & 2007
Bantam / 14U	2006 & 2005

***No player with a birth year 2013 or later will be allowed to play on teams participating in the NWHL or NIHL. This is a USA Hockey / AHAI mandate that all USA Hockey-sanctioned clubs must follow.**

PRE-HOCKEY PROGRAMS

Learning the proper way to ice skate and developing basic hockey skills are the first steps for your beginning player. St. Jude Hockey Club's Learn to Skate and Little Knights (Learn to Play) programs embrace the American Development Model (ADM) for teaching children how to play hockey while having **FUN**. We're proud to continue our tradition of developing young players by offering four convenient sessions during the year (two during the fall/winter season and one in spring, and another in summer). Each session will offer both the Learn to Skate and Little Knights programs tailored to your player's abilities. *For more information about St. Jude's Pre-Hockey Programs, please contact our Pre-Hockey Coordinator, Shannon Gutkowski at shannongutkowski@gmail.com*

LEARN TO SKATE

This program is designed for young pre-k, kindergartners, and new-to-skating first through third grader boys and girls who are interested in learning to skate. It is focused on creating a welcoming environment to foster a love for the player's time spent on the ice. Our goal is for the players to learn the most basic skating skills while having fun.

LITTLE KNIGHTS (aka LEARN TO PLAY/ADM)

This program is designed for boys and girls 5 years old and up with previous sessions in basic ice skating. In this program we will introduce the basic tenets of the American Development

Model (ADM) that stresses small area games for increased player development including puck handling and team concepts.

PRE-HOCKEY PROGRAM FAQs

How do I register my player for a session?

Registration is done via our website at www.stjudehockey.org. If you have any questions about the program or need help registering, please contact Shannon Gutkowski at shannongutkowski@gmail.com or Christine Wiseman at financeandregistration@stjudehockey.org. Please note your child must have 2019-2020 USA Hockey Membership to participate, please register with USA Hockey at usahockeyregistration.com.

Where are the classes and how much ice time is there per session?

The schedule for each session is posted on the St. Jude website (www.stjudehockey.org). All ice sessions are at Southwest Ice Arena (SIA) in Crestwood, IL. Session times/dates are subject to change due to ice availability.

What equipment will my player need to participate in the Learn to Skate or Little Knights programs?

Players enrolled in the Learn To Skate program must have skates, gloves, and a helmet. Full hockey equipment is permitted but not required.

Players enrolled in the Little Knights program must have full hockey equipment including: helmet, neck guard, shoulder/chest protector, elbow pads, hockey pants, shin guards, socks, gloves and, of course, hockey skates. Players will not be allowed on the ice if they do not have a neck guard. Additionally, many players like to have a mouth guard secured to their helmet so it does not fall out on the ice if they spit it out. If you are unfamiliar with any of the equipment, please contact Shannon Gutkowski will help direct you to a good source for it. Equipment (excluding skates and neck guard) is available to rent, but limited to very small sizes. Please contact Shannon Gutkowski for more information on rentals. All players who have *not* previously purchased a St. Jude reversible jersey will be required to purchase one for \$35. Please contact Matt Rafferty at matt.rafferty@stjudehockey.org or Shannon Gutkowski at shannongutkowski@gmail.com.

Who may participate?

The Learn To Skate program is open to pre-k players through third graders who have limited or no prior skating experience.

The Little Knights program is open to boys and girls 5 years and older who have successfully learned the basic skating skills taught in our Learn to Skate program.

What are you teaching?

The St. Jude hockey staff subscribes to USA Hockey's American Development Model (ADM) of instruction that emphasizes skill development and fun for youth hockey players and age-appropriate training and development. Additional information regarding USA Hockey's ADM curriculum can be found at www.ADMKids.com.

TEAM PROGRAMS

For those players who have mastered the skating and fundamental hockey skills taught in our Pre-Hockey programs, St. Jude offers competitive youth teams that compete in either the Northwest Hockey League (NWHL) for house-level teams or the Northern Illinois Hockey League (NIHL) for travel-level teams. St. Jude youth teams are open to both boys and girls and compete at the mite (2012 and 2011 birth years) through bantam (2006 and 2005 birth years) age levels, and girls only teams up through 16/19U.

NWHL (HOUSE) TEAMS

St. Jude house-level teams compete in the Northwest Hockey League against other house-level teams throughout the Chicagoland area. These teams are formed after player evaluations to ensure that all St. Jude teams are balanced with a similar mix of beginner and advanced players. NWHL teams focus heavily on promoting player skill development while also introducing team-play concepts. The time commitment for NWHL teams is approximately 2 - 3 hours per week for either practices, power skates and/or games. Home games are played at Southwest Ice Arena, Oak Lawn Ice Arena or at the Beverly/Morgan Park Sport Center. Away games will be played at other rinks in the Chicagoland region vs. other clubs. In addition, NWHL teams will participate in 1 tournament provided by the club and up to 2 additional tournaments at the coach's approval.

For the 2019-20 season, St. Jude NWHL league fees will include the following:

- At least 16 league games for squirt (10U) through bantam (14U) levels (at least 6 games for mites (8U)) plus all referee fees
- At least one play-off game
- Approximately 2-3 hours of ice touches (games/practice/power skate per week,
- One tournament provided by the club
- Off-Ice Conditioning (10u and up)
- Weekly Power Skate

The price does not include game jerseys, practice jerseys, warm-up pants, or warm-up jackets. Returning St. Jude players may use practice jerseys and warm-ups purchased in prior years. New players or players in need of game jerseys, practice jersey or warm-ups may purchase a reversible practice jerseys and a set of St. Jude warm-up pants and jacket.

NIHL (TRAVEL) TEAMS

St. Jude's competitive travel teams compete in the Northern Illinois Hockey League (NIHL) at the mite (8U) through bantam (14U) levels. The emphasis of Travel hockey is on individual player development and fielding competitive teams. Players are selected on a tryout basis and a player's ice time is distributed in accordance with St. Jude's fair ice-time policy. Equal ice time for all players in all games is not guaranteed. Time commitment is 3-5 hours per week. Home games are played at Southwest Ice Arena, Oak Lawn Arena, and the Morgan Park Sports Center. Away games are played at other area rinks in the Chicagoland area. Travel hockey features 4 possible levels of play within NIHL: Bronze, Silver, Gold and Elite. Players selected to travel teams will be placed on the appropriate level depending on the skills demonstrated during tryouts. St. Jude travel/NIHL teams will participate in 2 tournaments provided by the club and up to 2 additional tournaments by the club and at the coach's approval. Players who are not selected for a travel team are invited to participate on teams playing at the house-level in the NWHL teams.

Fees for players on Travel/NIHL Team include the following:

- At least 20-24 games plus all league and referee fees
- Typically 3-5 hours of ice per week
- Weekly Power Skate / Goalie instruction through January
- Off-Ice Conditioning (10u and up)
- 2 tournaments provided by the club

The price does not include game jerseys, practice jerseys, warm-up pants, or warm-up jackets. Returning St. Jude players may use practice jerseys and warm-ups purchased in prior years. New players or players in need of new practice jerseys or warm-ups may purchase a reversible practice jerseys and a set of St. Jude warm-up pants and jacket.

GIRLS TEAMS

St. Jude's all-girls teams will compete in the Northern Illinois Hockey League's all-girls 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U divisions. The emphasis of all-girls travel hockey is on individual player development and fielding competitive teams. The all-girl teams are selected on a try-out basis and a player's ice-time is distributed in accordance with St. Jude's fair-ice policy. Equal ice time for all players in all games is not guaranteed. Highly skilled players are eligible to tryout and play-up one level higher than their birth year (i.e. a U10 player may try out for a U12 team and a U12 player may try out for a U14 team). No player may play down a level. The time commitment for St. Jude's girl travel teams is 3-5 hours per week. St. Jude all-girls will participate in 2 tournaments provided by the club and up 2 additional tournaments at the coach's approval. Players who are not selected for an all-girls team are invited to participate on teams playing at the house-level in the NWHL.

Fees for players on all-girls teams include the following:

- Approximately 20 games plus all league and referee fees
- Approximately 3-5 hours of ice per week
- Weekly Power Skate / Goalie instruction through January
- Girls teams will transition to the traditional uniform, all girls team players will be responsible for purchasing green and white jerseys highlighted on page 6
- Off-Ice Conditioning

The price does not include game jerseys, practice jersey, warm-up pants, or warm-up jackets. Returning St. Jude players may use practice jerseys purchased in prior years. New players or players in need of new practice jerseys or warm-ups may purchase a reversible practice jersey and a set of St. Jude warm-up pants and jacket.

PRE-SEASON CAMPS & CLINICS

St. Jude's annual Pre-Season Fall Focus Camps are a great way for your player to get back on the ice in August so that he or she is ready for the fall season when travel league try-outs and house league placements are held in August and early September. St. Jude's hockey staff has created an up-tempo and rigorous instruction plan to advance the skills of each player. Goalie instruction will be provided.

TRAVEL AND HOUSE MITE FOCUS CAMP

Continuing on the success of last year's mite level focus camp, St. Jude will again offer a pre-season focus and assessment camp that is specifically targeted at players seeking to play mite hockey this season. Coordinators and coaches will use this camp to place players into groups and may redistribute players throughout the duration of the camp to ensure that players are appropriately challenged and playing with and against players of similar skill and experience levels. The coaches will assess each player's core hockey skills such as skating, stops, turns, crossovers, and stickhandling.

The cost of the camp is \$400 and includes six sessions. Players who register before July 31, 2019, will receive an early-bird discount and will be charged only \$375.

Please note that all participants in the Mite Focus & Assessment Camp must have USA Hockey Insurance.

Travel and House Mite Focus and Assessment/Placement Camp Dates & Times				
Level	Date	Day	Rink	Time
All Mites	Aug. 5	Monday	SIA	5:50 to 6:50 pm
All Mites	Aug. 8	Thursday	SIA	5:50 to 6:50 pm
All Mites	Aug. 13	Tuesday	SIA	5:40 to 6:40 pm
All Mites	Aug. 15	Thursday	SIA	5:50 to 6:50 pm
All Mites	Aug. 19	Monday	SIA	5:50 to 6:50 pm
Travel Only Mites	Aug. 21	Wednesday	SIA	5:40 to 6:40 pm
House Only Mites	Sept. 3	Tuesday	SIA	5:30 to 6:20 pm
Tryouts-Travel 8U	Aug. 24	Saturday	SIA	9:10 to 10:10 am
Tryouts-Travel 8U	Aug. 25	Sunday	SIA	10:10 to 11:10 am
House Placements 8U	Sept. 6	Friday	OL	5:15 to 6:15 pm
House Placements 8U	Sept. 7	Saturday	SIA	9:10 to 10:10 am

NIHL (TRAVEL) FOCUS CAMP

Players who anticipate trying-out for travel-level teams that will compete in NIHL are encouraged to register for the Travel Focus Camp. The cost of the camp is \$400 and includes six sessions. In addition, St. Jude will waive the travel tryout fee (\$200) for all travel focus camp participants. If a player is not selected for a NIHL team, the player may also participate in all NWHL placement sessions at no additional charge.

Players who register for the travel focus camp before July 31, 2019, will receive an early-bird discount and will be charged only \$375.

Please note that all NIHL Focus camp sessions will be held at Southwest Ice Arena.

Travel Focus Camp Dates & Times				
Level	Date	Day	Rink	Time
Squirts 10U	Aug. 7	Wednesday	SIA	5:40 to 6:40 pm
Squirts 10U	Aug. 14	Wednesday	SIA	5:40 to 6:40 pm
Squirts 10U	Aug. 20	Tuesday	SIA	5:40 to 6:40 pm
Squirts 10U	Aug. 22	Thursday	SIA	5:50 to 6:50 pm
Squirts 10U	Aug. 27	Tuesday	SIA	5:40 to 6:40 pm
Squirts 10U	Aug. 29	Thursday	SIA	5:50 to 6:50 pm
PeeWee 12U	Aug. 7	Wednesday	SIA	6:50 to 7:50 pm
PeeWee 12U	Aug. 14	Wednesday	SIA	6:50 to 7:50 pm
PeeWee 12U	Aug. 20	Tuesday	SIA	6:50 to 7:50 pm
PeeWee 12U	Aug. 22	Thursday	SIA	7:00 to 8:00 pm
PeeWee 12U	Aug. 27	Tuesday	SIA	6:50 to 7:50 pm
PeeWee 12U	Aug. 29	Thursday	SIA	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Bantams 14U	Aug. 7	Wednesday	SIA	8:00 to 9:00 pm
Bantams 14U	Aug. 14	Wednesday	SIA	8:00 to 9:00 pm
Bantams 14U	Aug. 20	Tuesday	SIA	8:00 to 9:00 pm
Bantams 14U	Aug. 22	Thursday	SIA	8:10 to 9:10 pm
Bantams 14U	Aug. 27	Tuesday	SIA	8:00 to 9:00 pm
Bantams 14U	Aug. 29	Thursday	SIA	8:10 to 9:10 pm
Travel Tryouts 10U	Aug. 24	Saturday	SIA	10:20 to 11:20 am
Travel Tryouts 10U	Aug. 25	Sunday	SIA	11:20 to 12:20 pm
Travel Tryouts 12U	Aug. 24	Saturday	SIA	11:30 to 12:30 pm
Travel Tryouts 12U	Aug. 25	Sunday	SIA	12:30 to 1:30 pm
Travel Tryouts 14U	Aug. 24	Saturday	SIA	12:40 to 1:40 pm
Travel Tryouts 14U	Aug. 25	Sunday	SIA	1:40 to 2:40 pm

NWHL (HOUSE) FOCUS CAMP

Players who anticipate playing on a house-level team that will compete in the NWHL are encouraged to register for the House Focus Camp. The cost of the camp is \$400 and includes six sessions. In addition, St. Jude will waive the house placement fee (\$100) for all house focus camp participants.

Players who register before July 31, 2019, will receive an early-bird discount and will be charged only \$375.

Please note that NWHL Focus camp sessions will be held at Southwest Ice Arena and placements will be held at Southwest Ice Arena and Oak Lawn Ice Arena.

House Focus Camp Dates & Times				
Level	Date	Day	Rink	Time
Birth Year 2008-2010	Tuesday	Aug. 6	SIA	5:40 to 6:40 pm
Birth Year 2008-2010	Monday	Aug. 12	SIA	5:50 to 6:50 pm
Birth Year 2008-2010	Tuesday	Aug. 13	SIA	6:50 to 7:50 pm
Birth Year 2008-2010	Wednesday	Aug. 21	SIA	6:50 to 7:50 pm
Birth Year 2008-2010	Wednesday	Aug. 28	SIA	5:40 to 6:40 pm
Birth Year 2008-2010	Tuesday	Sept. 3	SIA	6:30 to 7:20 am
Birth Year 2005-2007	Tuesday	Aug. 6	SIA	6:50 to 7:50 pm
Birth Year 2005-2007	Tuesday	Aug. 13	SIA	8:00 to 9:00 pm
Birth Year 2005-2007	Wednesday	Aug. 21	SIA	8:00 to 9:00 pm
Birth Year 2005-2007	Monday	Aug. 26	SIA	5:50 to 6:50 pm
Birth Year 2005-2007	Wednesday	Aug. 28	SIA	6:50 to 7:50 pm
Birth Year 2005-2007	Tuesday	Sept. 3	SIA	7:30 to 8:20 pm
House Placements 10U	Friday	Sept. 6	OL	6:30 to 7:30 pm
House Placements 10U	Saturday	Sept. 7	SIA	10:20 to 11:20 am
House Placements 12U	Friday	Sept. 6	OL	7:45 to 8:45 pm
House Placements 12U	Saturday	Sept. 7	SIA	11:30 to 12:30 pm
House Placements 14U	Saturday	Sept. 7	SIA	12:40 to 1:40 pm
House Placements 14U	Sunday	Sept. 8	OL	10:30 to 11:30 am

GIRLS FOCUS CAMP

Girl players who anticipate trying out for any of St. Jude's all-girls team are encouraged to register for the All-Girls Focus Camp. The cost of the camp is \$400 and includes six sessions. In addition, St. Jude will waive the all-girls tryout fee (\$200) for all All-Girls Focus Camp participants. If a player is not selected for an all-girls team, the player may also participate in all NWHL placement sessions at no additional charge.

Players who register before July 31, 2019, will receive an early-bird discount and will be charged only \$375.

Please note that all All-Girl Focus camp sessions will be held at Southwest Ice Arena.

All-Girls Focus Camp Dates & Times				
Level	Date	Day	Rink	Time
Girls 10U/12U	Monday	Aug. 5	SIA	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Girls 10U/12U	Thursday	Aug. 8	SIA	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Girls 10U/12U	Monday	Aug. 12	SIA	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Girls 10U/12U	Thursday	Aug. 15	SIA	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Girls 10U/12U	Monday	Aug. 19	SIA	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Girls 10U/12U	Monday	Aug. 26	SIA	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Girls 14U/16U/19U	Monday	Aug. 5	SIA	8:10 to 9:10 pm
Girls 14U/16U/19U	Thursday	Aug. 8	SIA	8:10 to 9:10 pm
Girls 14U/16U/19U	Monday	Aug. 12	SIA	8:10 to 9:10 pm
Girls 14U/16U/19U	Thursday	Aug. 15	SIA	8:10 to 9:10 pm
Girls 14U/16U/19U	Monday	Aug. 19	SIA	8:10 to 9:10 pm
Girls 14U/16U/19U	Monday	Aug. 26	SIA	8:10 to 9:10 pm
Tryouts Girls 10U	Saturday	Aug. 17	SIA	12:40 to 1:40 pm
Tryouts Girls 10U	Sunday	Aug. 18	SIA	1:40 to 2:40 pm
Tryouts Girls 12U	Saturday	Aug. 17	SIA	11:30 to 12:30 pm
Tryouts Girls 12U	Sunday	Aug. 18	SIA	12:30 to 1:30 pm
Tryouts Girls 14U	Saturday	Aug. 17	SIA	10:20 to 11:20 am
Tryouts Girls 14U	Sunday	Aug. 18	SIA	11:20 to 12:20 pm
Tryouts Girls 16U/19U	Saturday	Aug. 17	SIA	9:10 to 10:10 am
Tryouts Girls 16U/19U	Sunday	Aug. 18	SIA	10:10 to 11:10 am

GOALIE CAMP

Goalies who anticipate trying out for any of St. Jude's travel or house teams are encouraged to register for the Fall Goalie Camp. The cost of the camp is \$250 and includes five sessions.

Please note that all Goalie Focus camp sessions will be held at Southwest Ice Arena.

Goalie Clinic Dates & Times			
Date	Day	Rink	Time
July 28	Sunday	SIA	7:50 to 8:50 pm
July 29	Monday	SIA	7:50 to 8:50 pm
July 30	Tuesday	SIA	7:50 to 8:50 pm
July 31	Wednesday	SIA	7:50 to 8:50 pm
Aug. 1	Thursday	SIA	7:50 to 8:50 pm

CHECKING CLINIC

Full checking is allowed at the Bantam level (2005 & 2006 BY) for teams competing in both the NWHL and NIHL. *Be advised, if a player is playing on a co-ed team in NIHL it is required to show proof of participation in checking clinics prior to the start of the season.*

It is mandatory that players at this level participate in at least one checking clinic (clinic = 2 out of 3 on ice sessions). This will ensure that players are prepared to both receive and deliver a check on the ice.

Players who have previously taken a checking clinic at St. Jude may take this clinic again at a reduced cost. For players who have not previously completed a checking clinic through St. Jude, the cost to register is \$50. Players who have previously completed a checking clinic through St. Jude may register at a discounted cost of \$25. Any player who registers for the clinic (whether a first time participant or a repeat participant) may attend either or both sessions at no additional charge. It is highly encouraged that players attend both sessions.

The checking clinic is open to all Bantam(14u) and Peewee (12u) players.

Checking Clinic Dates & Times			
Date	Day	Rink	Time
Aug. 6	Tuesday	SIA	8:00 to 9:00 pm
Aug. 28	Wednesday	SIA	8:00 to 9:00 pm
Sept. 4	Wednesday	SIA	8:30 to 9:30 pm

REGISTRATION AND FEES

All players must be registered on-line at www.stjudehockey.org. If you have any questions about how to register, please contact Christine Wiseman - financeandregistration@stjudehockey.org

REGISTRATION PROCESS

Step 1: All players must have USA Hockey Insurance for the 2019-2020 season to play hockey at St. Jude. No player will be allowed to play or tryout without proof of this insurance. To register for this insurance, visit www.usahockeyregistration.com

USA Hockey Membership/Insurance Directions:

Once at the USA Hockey Registration website, click on the “Register Now” Button. Choose Ice Player/Coach and follow the directions on the screen to complete the registration process

Step 2: On the St. Jude website, log in using your username and password. *If you have not registered for a St. Jude program in the past, you will need to complete the steps for setting up a St. Jude account.* If you do not remember your password, you can click the ‘forgot password’ link and enter your email address.

Step 3: Select the programs and players you wish to participate and continue with payment for programs.

2019-2020 FEE SCHEDULE

Fall Focus, Tryout, and Checking Clinic Fees

Program	Fee	Early Bird Discounted Fee (if registered before July 31, 2019)
Mites Focus -All mites	\$400	\$375
Travel/NIHL Focus Camp	\$400	\$375
Travel/NIHL Try-Out Fee	\$200 (<i>waived for Focus Camp participants</i>)	
House/NWHL Focus Camp	\$400	\$375
House/NWHL Placement Fee	\$100 (<i>waived for Focus Camp participants</i>)	
All-Girls Focus Camp	\$400	\$375
All-Girls Try-Out Fee	\$200 (<i>waived for Focus Camp participants</i>)	
Checking Clinic	\$50 for first time participants; \$25 for repeat participants	
Goalie Clinic	\$250	

Participating in the FOCUS camps is *highly encouraged*. Please note that FOCUS camp fees cannot be prorated.

Mite players registering in tryouts or placements ONLY and not participating in FOCUS, please specify when registering what your intended program will be for the 2019-20 season (either house or travel).

Team Player Fees & Payment Schedules

House/NWHL Player Fees & Payment Schedule						
	9/15	10/15	11/15	12/15	1/15	Total
Mites 8U	\$450	\$450	\$450	\$450	\$450	\$2,250
Squirts 10U	\$470	\$470	\$470	\$470	\$470	\$2,350
PeeWee 12U	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$2,500
Bantam 14U	\$510	\$510	\$510	\$510	\$510	\$2,550

Travel/NIHL Player Fees & Payment Schedule						
	9/15	10/15	11/15	12/15	1/15	Total
Mites 8U	\$660	\$660	\$660	\$660	\$660	\$3,300
Squirts 10U	\$740	\$740	\$740	\$740	\$740	\$3,700
PeeWee 12U	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$4,000
Bantam 14U	\$840	\$840	\$840	\$840	\$840	\$4,200

All-Girls Player Fees & Payment Schedule						
	9/15	10/15	11/15	12/15	1/15	Total
10U	\$740	\$740	\$740	\$740	\$740	\$3,700
12U	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$4,000
14U	\$840	\$840	\$840	\$840	\$840	\$4,200
16/19U	\$860	\$860	\$860	\$860	\$860	\$4,300

Please note that prices above do not include Fall Focus and tryouts/placements.

Potential teams playing in Little Ceasars Amature Hockey League will incurr addtional costs.

Goalie Fees: All goalies will receive a 35% reduction in fees.

Nonsufficient Funds Fee: If one of your checks is returned from the bank for nonsufficient funds, an additional fee of \$25 per incident will be charged.

Declined Credit/Debit Card Fee: If your credit/debit card is declined for *any reason* including expiration, you receive an email notification and have the opportunity to update the data on the website. Failure to do so resulting in the subsequent need for collections activity by St. Jude (including but not limited to phone calls, emails, certified letters, etc.) will add an additional \$25 per incident to your bill.

Outstanding player fees must be paid in full prior to the playoffs. Any player not paid in full will not be eligible for playoffs. Families who have not paid in full will be forwarded to AHAI. Please know that we do our best to keep prices as low as possible. Fees not paid places an added burden on the club and St. Jude families in the future.

WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR ICE BILL

St. Jude is always looking for innovative solutions to help people make hockey more affordable. Here are a few ways to reduce your ice bill.

DISCOUNTS

MULTIPLE PLAYER / FAMILY DISCOUNT

The multi-family discount is applied to all lesser ice bills where the highest ice bill is paid in full. This discount is 10%.

Please Note: Players in Little Knights / Learn-To-Skate Programs are also eligible for this discount.

PAY-IN-FULL DISCOUNT

*Those who pay their bill in full at **TRAVEL OR HOUSE ROSTERING DAY** will receive a 3% discount on their ice bill. **PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY CASH OR CHECK ONLY AT ROSTERING TO RECEIVE THE DISCOUNT. CREDIT CARDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR THIS DISCOUNT.** This does not include goalies, Little Knights/ADM or Learn to Skate programs.*

NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE SALES CREDITS

50% of all website ads and newsletter adds sold will be deducted from your ice bill. The final deadline for submitting ads is January 1, 2019. Ad credits will be applied after your final payment. Please give all completed program/ad contracts and checks made payable to "St. Jude Knights Hockey Club" to your team manager or mail them to Southwest Ice Arena, Attn: St. Jude Hockey Organization. Should you have any questions please contact Sue Peters at suerkp@aol.com OR Shannon Brown at sbrown.stjudehockey@gmail.com for more information pertaining to the website and newsletter.

ST. JUDE RAFFLE CREDITS

St. Jude members participate in a raffle fundraiser which will be explained in more detail later. Each family is required to purchase/sell \$100 worth of raffle tickets at the day of rostering. 50% of all additional raffle tickets purchased will be applied after your final payment. Many families have saved hundreds of dollars off of their ice bill by purchasing additional raffle tickets. For more information regarding the raffle, please contact Tammy Moro at tmoro3@att.net.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE CREDITS

At the discretion of the Board of Directors, St. Jude may award volunteer service credits to members who provide outstanding service to the club.

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS - EDDIE OLCZYK AWARD

The Eddie Olczyk Award assists Individuals/families in need of assistance for participation in an Illinois sanctioned team or organization. Since 2011 the EOA issued \$450,000 in grants to 212 individuals and eight organizations. For more information please go to <https://www.nhl.com/blackhawks/community/eoa> for more information and application.

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KEY DATES

Date	Event	Location
<i>Aug. 3 - Sept. 4</i>	<i>All Fall Focus Camps</i>	<i>SIA</i>
<i>Aug. 6, 28 & Sept. 4</i>	<i>Checking Clinics</i>	<i>SIA</i>
<i>Aug. 17-18</i>	<i>All-Girls Team Tryouts</i>	<i>SIA</i>
<i>Aug. 24-25</i>	<i>Travel/NIHL Tryouts</i>	<i>SIA</i>
<i>Sep. 6-8</i>	<i>House/NWHL Team Placement</i>	<i>SIA & OL</i>
<i>Sep. 8</i>	<i>Travel Rostering Day</i>	<i>SIA</i>
<i>Sep. 10</i>	<i>House Rostering Day</i>	<i>SIA</i>