



Subject: 2025–26 Junior Steelheads Tryout Registration Now Open

Dear Junior Steelheads Families,

Tryout registration for the 2025–26 season is now open. We're excited to continue building a competitive, development-focused program that prioritizes growth, structure, and long-term success for our players.

Anticipated Teams:

- 18U AA
- 16U AA/A
- 14U AA & 14U A
- 12U AA & 12U A
- 10U A & 10U B
- U16 / HS Female

Due to low numbers at 18U, a final decision on that team will be made based on registration volume. If necessary, eligible 16U players may be included in the 18U group, provided it is beneficial and safe for their development per USA Hockey guidelines. If the 18U team is not viable, we anticipate forming a 16U A team.

Spring/Summer Development Program

Every Saturday through July – for returning Junior Steelheads players only. Focused on sharpening skills and preparing for tryouts.

Register here: [Spring/Summer Sign-Up](#)

Coaching Assignments:

- 18U AA– John Howell
- 16U AA /A– Steve Klein
- 14U AA – Jefferson Dahl | 14U A – Chris Grass
- 12U AA – Spencer McLean | 12U A – Thomas Pollen
- 10U A – Justin Smith | 10U B – Zach Andreason
- U16 / HS Female – Val Manchak-Jensen

All head coaches were selected through a formal committee process (Lloyd Ayers, Todd Cunningham, and myself) to ensure alignment with program goals and long-term development standards.

Register for Tryouts:

[Tryout Registration Link](#)

We look forward to seeing many of you on the ice this spring and summer. If you have questions or need help with off-ice preparation, don't hesitate to reach out at 208-416-1677.

Sincerely,
Darrell Hay
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