## SELECT 15 FESTIVAL HOSTED BY THE MID-AM DISTRICT AUGUST 1 – 4, 2013

**Overview:** The Select 15 Festival will be comprised of 1998 birthdates from several Districts in USA Hockey. The purpose of this tournament is to provide a competitive tournament for the players from each of the Districts who were **not** selected to attend the National Festival. The following are the Districts that have been involved in the past two years and will be invited in 2013:

Atlantic Mid Am Pacific Northern Plains Michigan Southeast

**Location**: Kent State University, Kent, OH. Kent State is located 1 hour southeast of Cleveland, OH, 20 minutes from Akron, OH, and 90 minutes northwest of Pittsburgh, PA

**Check In:** Players can check in on Thursday August 1<sup>st</sup> all day at the Ice Arena. Arrangements can be made for those players who are flying and need help with transportation. The airports that we can help with transporting players are Cleveland Hopkins and Akron/Canton airports.

**Locker Rooms:** Each team will be assigned a locker room and will be yours for the entire weekend.

**Medical and Permission Forms:** Each team is responsible for having the proper paperwork to get the players treatment in the event they need medical attention. A Medical/Permission Form will be sent in advance of the tournament. This can be substituted with the USA Hockey Consent to Treat Form.

**Supervision of Players:** Each team is to provide the proper supervision for their players. The University requires at least one adult in the dorm at all times for every 20 players. When using the Rec Center there is a 1 to 10 ratio that needs to be followed.

Accommodations: The players and staff of each team will be housed in Koonce Hall which is a 5 minute walk of the Ice Arena. The dorm is air-conditioned and has several lounges for the players to hang out in.

Players are to bring their own bed linens, pillows, blankets, towels etc.. A sleeping bag is what is recommended.

**Meals:** All meals will be eaten on the campus and most will be served at the KSU Ice Arena. Each team will get a snack (pizza) on Thursday evening and all three meals on Friday and Saturday as well as breakfast and lunch on Sunday.

**Recreation Rink:** During the summer our second rink is a dry floor. This is a rink with dimensions of 150 x 80 feet and is a perfect facility for coaches to use for walk throughs or other off ice activities.

**Recreation and Activities:** Teams will have access to \$30 million Recreation and Wellness Center which is a three minute walk from the Ice Arena. In addition to the new Wellness Center, players can also use the Eastway Recreation Center which has billiards tables, a six lane bowling alley and a snack shop.

**Format:** There will be 4 to 6 teams participating. It will be a round robin tournament with the consolation and championship game on Sunday morning.

**Practice:** Each team will have a practice on Thursday afternoon/evening and one on Friday morning/early afternoon.

**Costs:** The cost per team is \$5400 and includes the following:

- Travel party of 24 (20 players and 4 staff)
- Ice Time (practice and games)
- Meals (Thursday dinner thru Sunday lunch)
- Lodging (3 nights)
- Rec Center usage
- Eastway Rec Center usage
- Trainer
- Referees