



Become a Billet Family

The Phoenix Knights Jr. A hockey team welcomes players from around the world to become part of its outstanding hockey program. Our out-of-town players want to experience their time away from their families in a caring environment, and to have a home away from home. Having a hockey player in your home takes time, patience, and a willingness to share. There are lots of differences - cultural and personal - and both are part of the rewarding experience of welcoming someone new into your home. In many cases, billet families make new friends for life.

Frequently asked questions about housing a player

Q. What makes a great billet?

A. A sensitive and patient family! It can be overwhelming for a player to be so far away from home. A thoughtful billet family appreciates that each player is unique and that communication and mutual understanding take effort.

Q. May a family host more than one player?

A. Yes. Two (or more) players can share transportation expenses, and often times provide camaraderie for one another. All of our players fill out a detailed application and must comply with specific guidelines for behavior and academic performance (if applicable).

Q. What am I expected to provide?

A. We ask that you provide:

1. A separate room and closet for a player, or shared room and bath if hosting more than one player.
2. Desk and chair, Internet access, and furnishings as you might find in a dorm room.
3. Nutritious meals. (Billets are not responsible for meal expenses when players are traveling.)
4. A patient, supportive, and friendly home atmosphere.
5. The same guidance and attention you would want for your children.

What you receive in return:

1. A firsthand understanding of being a hockey fan.
2. A new perspective on hockey as seen through the eyes of your Jr. A player.
3. The opportunity to make a difference to a young player and help him toward his dreams.



4. A stipend of \$250 for each player.
5. Orientation and support from the Phoenix Knights and other experienced billets.

Billets can share their lifestyle in a positive and mutually rewarding way while providing a safe, secure, and welcome home. Even the most self-assured players appreciate good quality time with their billet family. Is everyone in your household ready to accept some one new into your home? If willing, this experience can be a great choice.

We want to learn more about you and your family. In our application process we ask for a completed billet family application (see below) and an interview with the hosting family. If you or someone you know would like to find out more about becoming Phoenix Knights billet family, please contact:

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Phoenix Knights Junior A Hockey - BILLET FAMILY APPLICATION

Host Family Father Name		Nickname	
Host Family Mother Name:		Nickname	
Address:		City:	Zip:
Home or Cell Phone:		Email:	
Host Father Employer		Work Phone	
Host Mother Employer:		Work Phone:	
Home Occupants (List all including children or others)	Relationship	Age	Lives in Home
Any Pets? (list):	Bedroom Available:	Bathroom Available:	
Internet Available:	Family Meals provided:	Transportation Available:	



Background screening - All billet parents and anyone living in the host family older than 17 will be required to complete a background check. The Phoenix Knights will email you information for completing the screening. Additionally, a Phoenix Knights billet coordinator will interview you and visit your home before placing a player with you.

Additional Comments:

Signature

Date