

OYHA Evaluators Guide

2019-2020 Preseason Evaluations

1. Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your scheduled evaluation session(s) in order to receive updates from the level lead and ask any questions. Please bring an iPad if you have one! (iPhone could work as well, but harder to view)
2. We want to make sure it is clear what we value within Orono Hockey. We believe there are 5 attributes and 5 skills that are key to our player development: Compete Level, Hockey Sense, Team player, Work Ethic, unselfish personality and skills being Puck Control, Speed w/ Puck, Passing/playmaking, Shooting, and Heart/Grit/Strength. We want to look for players that can “play” the game (not just skate fast), players that add value to the team, and players that contribute to the 5 man effort on the ice each shift.
3. How will you score the players? Scale of 1-10 in 3 categories:
 - a. Hockey IQ**
 - i. Play without the puck: How does the player position themselves, anticipate, and move to get there? Do they watch the game or play the game?
 - ii. Ability to always make a “hockey” play when taking possession of the puck. How do they use the space given or create their own space? Do they understand supporting the puck? Do they make quick and precise decisions?
 - iii. Adding value: Ability to make a difference each shift on the ice whether that be offensively, defensively, physically, energetically, mentally, emotionally, intelligently or through leadership. Can they play the game?
 - b. Puck Control**
 - i. Speed with a puck: How well a player skates WITH a puck. Do they separate themselves to skate away or move the puck to a teammate? Can they make passes at full speed and catch passes at full speed? Can they shoot while moving or shoot of the pass while moving? Do they control the puck when they have it and make hockey plays regardless of their skating ability? Can they protect the puck?
 - c. Team Play**
 - i. We want players who take pride in trying to make their teammates better. We are not looking for the kid who can skate up and down the ice but has no idea there are teammates on the ice. We are looking for hard working, value add, team players. How high is their “compete” level getting to the net, covering a player, winning a battle, or winning a race?
4. Grade EVERY player on the ice as best as possible. Please use the full scoring scale in your evaluations.
5. Try to avoid comparing notes about players during the evaluation process – your individual evaluations are why we have asked for your participation.
6. Questions? Connect with your Level Lead as soon as possible.