



## Eden Prairie PEE WEE AA

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### 2016- 2017 TEAM PLAN & EXPECTATIONS

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#### PLAYER DEVELOPMENT PHILOSOPHY

We are firmly dedicated to providing an end-to-end developmental model that allows for players to learn and grow to the best of their abilities. We will provide a positive competitive, and developmentally focused experience for all players. In order to help players reach their fullest potential, we will foster a fun yet challenging environment that will cultivate each player's individual skills. We will build leadership skills and character. Our training will introduce offensive and defensive concepts that will make us a championship team. We will be focused on strength and conditioning by scheduling dry land throughout the season.

#### PLAYING TIME POLICY

All players will play evenly throughout every game. Coaches will have the discretion in the last two minutes of each game to deviate from the equal play guidelines.

#### EXPECTATIONS TO THE ABOVE GUIDELINES

- A coach will have the flexibility to reduce a player's ice time if the player is not meeting the work ethic required or for disciplinary reasons. Actions causing a deviation include, but are not limited to:
- Adhering to the EPHA attendance policy
- Work ethic, on / off ice behavior, i.e. late or missing practices/games, dryland

#### PRACTICE AND GAME PREP

- Show up 1 hour before games
- Show up 45min before practice (depending on when dryland is)

#### PLAYER EXPECTATIONS

- Provide 100% effort and focus at every practice/game.
- Commit yourself to the team and strive to improve every day.
- Be accountable for your own actions and learn from your mistakes.
- Play with a winning mentality.
- Support and display a positive attitude toward teammates, coaches and refs.
- High practice attendance is expected – it is **NOT optional!** If a player is going to miss practice, direct communication with the coach must be made in advance.
- Arrive on time and prepared for practices/games.

#### PARENT EXPECTATIONS

- Be your player's biggest fan and offer them positive encouragement
- Refrain from coaching your player on the bench, as this only causes confusion for the players
- Help your player follow through on his commitment to the team and to their own development
- Be Respectful (coaches, referees, other parents)
- Get kids to practices, games and dryland on time.
- There will be no discussion of playing time and/or positions within 24 hours of a game.

#### MEANS OF COMMUNICATION

- If there is a problem, concern, question, etc. please let one of the coaches know. We are always available and expect to be informed first. If you're upset wait 24 hours, your perspective might change, if not, please let one of us know what the issue is. I would prefer that the player come talk to the coach(s) first before the parent. Do not approach the coaches after games or send an email (the message can get interpreted in the wrong way). Set up an "in-person" meeting with your coach to address concerns.