



2023-2024 Squirt A Expectations

Communication tools

- Sportsengine App - Typical communication method
- Emails - important, but not very time sensitive
- Text messages - will collect cell numbers to contact team for important and time sensitive communications - *If desired*

What we expect from players:

- Attend scheduled practices, games, and off ice training with a positive attitude and willingness to be coached
- Show up in time to start warmups 45 mins prior to games
- 100% effort at all games and practice, push out of their comfort zone
- Listen - No talking or goofing around when coaches are talking
- Respect all facilities we play in (both home and away)
- Respect all other players, coaches, and officials
- Show respect for their parents at all hockey functions
- Ask questions when they don't understand or need clarification
- Treat their teammates like family
- Be responsible for getting their gear ready and help their parents get them to events on time.

What we expect from parents:

- Follow the DCYH parent guide
- Reinforce a positive attitude toward your son/ daughter
- Have players to the rink on time
- Notify coaches of any absences or schedule conflicts in advance
- Respect for all players, coaches, parents, and officials
- Follow 24-hour rule as it pertains to any complaint or conflict
- Let the coaches coach and the parents cheer
- Treat other parents and players like family

- Communicate any concerns before they become a bigger problem - Avoid gossiping about any issues as it can snowball quickly!

What you can expect from us:

- Come to all practices with a positive attitude and prepared with a plan
- Open line of communication for all players and parents
- Timely responses to concerns or questions
- Strong emphasis on fundamental skill development over wins and losses
- Provide a fun and safe environment where your child can be at their best
- Help your child become a better athlete and member of their community
- We will treat all of you as a member of our extended hockey family

Player rules with consequences

- Clear cheapshot penalties, repeat penalties that have been discussed, disrespecting coaches or other teammates, etc.
 - Player will take a shift or multiple shifts off, depending on the severity
- Challenging referees decisions
 - Not only will they likely get a penalty, they will sit a shift or multiple shifts, depending on severity
- Unexcused absences

Additional items

- Will start some off-ice training soon