



7/30/2020-Update

Dear Vipers Families,

Yesterday, the Governor of IL announced new restrictions that have a significant impact on youth sports (<https://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/gov-pritzker-announces-new-restrictions-for-recreational-sports-including-at-schools/2313384/>). Unfortunately, Hockey was placed into the High-Risk category. Although the Vipers organization adamantly disagrees with these decisions, the health and safety of our players is still our top priority.

As stated in our previous email communications, the Vipers have created several contingency plans for the numerous potential scenarios, and (as of right now) our kids WILL BE PLAYING HOCKEY this fall! AHAJ and NIHL are scheduled to release additional guidance for safe play by next week. Once we have a comprehensive understanding of these strategies and procedures, we will release a communication to our families outlining the details of the plan.

Since the earliest we will be able to communicate the fall plan is next week, we will be adjusting the early sign up deadline for registration to **8/10/2020**. Please make sure you sign up by the new date to qualify for the discount.

I know that there are several more questions that need to be answered, so I want to assure you that Tim and the entire Vipers Board are working diligently to get every question addressed. We thank you for your patience, flexibility, and understanding as work through the details of the plan.

Thank You!!

Vipers Hockey Association