

2022 MAHA Player Development Committee Winter Report

Important Notes

- The Player Development Committee has returned the Boys format back to what it has historically been. There are District Camps in Dearborn, Lansing, and Marquette, followed by the Midget Festival in Taylor and Bantam Camp at LSSU
- The committee has made the difficult decision to raise our registration fee. There are several valid reasons for this decision. Among them, we no longer have a jersey sponsorship agreement with CCM, and we are no longer receiving block grant money from USA Hockey. Our fees are now in line with other Districts.
- Ron Brasseur has made the decision to step back from his role on the Player Development Committee. Ron will be greatly missed. He has done exceptional work for many years, especially with the camps in Taylor and LSSU. On behalf of our committee, I want to thank Ron for all he has done for youth hockey in Michigan.
- Our committee is constantly looking for qualified candidates to fill roles in all of our camps, especially for coach/evaluators. If you or someone you know is interested in getting involved, please let me or anyone else on the committee know.

MAHA Boys Player Selection Camp Process

The MAHA District Selection Camps, the 14 & 15 Selection Camps, and the 16 & 17 Selection Camp are designed to provide opportunities for the top Michigan hockey players per respective birth age for advancement within the MAHA Selection Camp Process and to the USA Hockey National Development Camps. These opportunities are available to players in the 14U through 17U birth years who are USA Citizens, reside or play in Michigan District of USA Hockey, and are registered with USA Hockey for the current season. Players that are not permanent residents can participate and progress through the Michigan Development Camps, but National Camp Selections are considered and approved by their respective home District (permanent address), and count against their respective home District number allocations (15/16/17 impacted only).

The 2022 Boys MAHA Selection Camp Process is focused on improving the player experience combined with a robust and consistent player evaluation process. Continuous improvements to the registration process, number of ice sessions, number evaluation data points, bench coach strategy, district to district camp consistency, and camp communication and transparency is ongoing. All modifications are intended to enhance player evaluation opportunities, player experience, and overall camp satisfaction while ensuring that the top players from our district move forward in the player selection process.

Player Development Camp Dates

It is critical to us that the dates we choose for our camps best suit the players who participate. To that end, we have done extensive research and reached out to various entities to try to determine the dates which work best for our players. We have talked with the USHL, various tournament directors, and have researched almost every school district's Spring Break schedule that was available online. Based on this, we have scheduled the following dates. But first, here are the items that we took into consideration:

USA Hockey Nationals March 30-April 4
Tier 1 Tryouts – April 6 through ~April 10
Easter April 17
All Michigan spring breaks concluded by Easter
April 14-17 Tentative Date for 2004/2005 USHL Combine
April 21-24 Tentative Date for 2006/2007 USHL Combine

2022 Player Selection Camp Schedules

- **District 2/3/4 Selection Camp 2005/2006/2007/2008:** Wed 4/27 – Sun 5/1 in Dearborn
 - o Lead: Chris Temple
- **Districts 5/6/L7 Selection Camp 2005/2006/2007/2008:** Fri 4/22 – Sun 4/24 in East Lansing
 - o Lead: Jeff Mitchell
 - *2006 and 2007 players attending the USHL combine can register for Dearborn
- **Districts U7/8 Selection Camp 2005/2006/2007/2008:** Fri 4/29 – Sun 5/1 in Marquette
 - o Lead: Amanda Gobert
- **Girls Development Camp:** Fri 4/29 – Sun 5/1 in Chelsea
 - o Lead: Jean Laxton
- **Boys Team Michigan:**
 - Grand Rapids - Monday March 14, 2022
 - Gaylord - Tuesday March 15, 2022
 - Livonia - Wednesday March 16, 2022
 - o Lead: Don Wright

Boys Midgets Festival (2005 and 2006 Birthyears)

(Players DO NOT sign up for this--but are selected to attend from the District camps listed above)

Taylor

Tentatively May 13-15, 2022

Boys Bantam Camp

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LSSU

2007's - June 18-24

2008's - June 26 - July 1