## 2023-2024 HOCKEY SEASON GIRLS TIER II NATIONAL BOUND AGE LEVELS

## **BE IN THE KNOW BEFORE YOU GO TO TRYOUTS**

A reference tool for Parents, Players, Coaches, and Tier II Girls Organizations

This article is a quick guide for the Tier II Girls Community.

The article has been designed to give you a look into the new early tryouts for the National Bound age levels (14u, 16u, 19u).

## TRYOUTS WILL BE JUNE 15 – 22, 2023

## Know the rules:

AHAI Rules & Regulations -- Article 17 is the location that specifically talks about Girls Hockey in Illinois.

The rules to familiarize yourself with are:

- > 17.8 Intent of Girls Tier II Hockey
- > 17.9 Affiliate Organization Playing Restriction
- > 17.10 Girls Tier II Playing Season
- > 17.11 Girls Tier II Early Tryouts
- > 17.15 Tampering
- > 17.16 Coach(es) Movement
- > 17.17 Player Movement
- 17.18 Girl's Two-Choice: It is the <u>responsibility</u> of ALL Girls Tier II Organizations' leaders to educate families on the 2-Choice Rule & its' meaning regarding a player's options season to season
- > 17.19 Choice Declaration/Acknowledgement
- 17.20 Choice Substitution & Process

https://www.ahai.org/page/show/6335118-bylaws-rules-regulations-and-policies

Too often we have heard parents say they didn't know. The Article 17 Sections above will give you the knowledge needed to help your player make the best decision for herself.

Key points to keep in mind:

- All Girls' Organizations must notify the AHAI Girls' Chair of their intent to hold early tryouts for the National Bound age levels.
- All Girls' Organizations will only be allowed to select 1 team at each National Age Bound Level during the early tryouts June 15-22, 2023 (A Girls' Organization may have the potential for an additional team at a specific age level. For a potential 2<sup>nd</sup> team, tryouts may NOT be held NOR may spots be 'reserved' for players until the regular tryout period beginning August 15th).
- All Girls Tier II Organizations must adhere to the Coach(es) Movement & Player Movement rules.
- It is the <u>responsibility</u> of ALL Girls Tier II Organizations to educate families on the 2-Choice Rule & its' meaning regarding the player's options season to season.
- All players must adhere to the Two-Choice rule & follow the appropriate guidelines to request a Choice Substitution if applicable (know your playing history....know where you played the past 4-5 seasons & be prepared to list the Organizations/Teams on the player card if selected).

- The application link to apply for a Choice Substitution will open on May 22, 2023 & will be located on the home page of the AHAI website.....this is only applicable for the National Bound Age Levels (14u, 16u, 19u)..... 10u, & 12u aged players seeking to apply for a choice substitution must wait until the normal application opening date of July 15th.....remember, there is no assurance your request will be granted.
- Players who make a team during the early tryouts will be required to sign a player card & are then locked onto said team for the upcoming season.

Here is the list of AHAI Affiliate Girls' Organizations that will be holding tryouts & for which level:

BRUINS	14U	16U	19U
CHIEFS	14U		
FRANKLIN PARK	14U		19U
GLENVIEW	14U	16U	19U
HAWKS	14U	16U	19U
HOFFMAN	14U	16U	
MAMMOTH	14U	16U	
SABRES	14U	16U	19U
ST JUDE	14U		19U
WARHAWKS	14U	16U	19U
WEST DUNDEE	14U	16U	

Good luck to ALL GIRLS!! HAVE A FUN & SAFE SUMMER!

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