

2024–2025
Hunterdon Bears Travel
Hockey Tryout Information



For additional information, please email
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Jackson Brassieur at hockeydirector@flemingtonice.com.



Important Tryout Information

March 26, 2024: Approved Tier II – 8U, 10U, 12U Youth

April 15, 2024: Approved Tier II – 14U, 16U, 18U Youth

All players who sign contracts with the Hunterdon Bears for the 2024-2025 hockey season will need:

- A current USA Hockey Number: Starting April 1st, you can log onto www.usahockey.com to register for your 2024-2025 USA Hockey Number.
- Birth Certificates: Any player who does not have a birth certificate on file with the Hunterdon Bears will need to provide a copy of their birth certificate at contract signing.

Payment: All payments are required at contract signing, per the payment schedule.

New Jersey's Premier Youth Hockey Program

Welcome to Tryouts for our 2024-2025 Season!

The Hunterdon Bears are dedicated to the development and education of boys and girls looking to further develop their skills and their love of ice hockey in a highly competitive environment. Our goal is to promote team play, a competitive spirit, and good sportsmanship. Using principles from USA Hockey's ADM and Hockey Canada's CDM, our staff works to develop and progress players' skills, work ethic, and discipline.

We aim to represent our club with pride both on and off the ice as we provide players with the opportunity to develop at every level. As players mature and progress through the Bears program, there are increased opportunities to compete at the highest level.

Our state of the art off-ice facility on Hunterdon Sports Complex's campus provides an added bonus for our players as they look for every edge in terms of speed, agility, and conditioning.

All tryouts are judged by a panel of hockey coaches. There will be a minimum of three evaluators including the Head Coach. All players are scheduled to skate at least 2 sessions. You will be issued a tryout jersey when you arrive, which will be returned to the club after the last tryout session. Players are identified and selected by their tryout jersey color and number, so please be sure to bring the Bears issued jersey to each tryout session.

If, for some reason, you are unable to attend a session, please notify Jackson Brassieur at hockeydirector@flemingtonice.com and he will inform the coaches and evaluators. If we are not notified about missing a tryout session, the coaches will assume that the player is not interested in our program and therefore the roster spot will go to another player.

Notification of Making the Team & Contract Signing

Most players will not be rostered to teams until after the second night of tryouts. Parents will be sent email notifications to the 'Parent 1' email address that was used for tryout registration, if their child made a team. When you receive your email notification, the email will state which team the player has been rostered to and will include a link to the contract. A signed contract must be submitted via TeamSnap before the next scheduled tryout time. Any rostered player who does not submit their contract prior to getting on the ice for the tryout time will come off the roster and will be put back in the tryout pool.

The contract will commit the player to the Hunterdon Bears Hockey Club for the 2024-2025 season. A 50% deposit will be due upon signing a contract. Second payment of 25% due on July 12th, and final payment will be due on September 13th. The Hunterdon Bears will accept payments via Visa, MasterCard, Amex, as well as checks and cash. The Hunterdon Bears will not hold roster spots without signed contracts and payments.

All balances will be due by September 13th. Please note that if a player is selected for a team and declines a contract offered to them for the 2024-2025 hockey season, that player may be ineligible to play with the Hunterdon Bears for a period of up to 2 years.

Based on tryout numbers, we do reserve the right to ask some players, if necessary, to return for an additional tryout session (date and time would be announced at that level's last session).

If you have not been selected for the initial roster, you will receive an email notification and you may be placed on our list of alternates. If for any reason, a player is unable to make a commitment, we will refer back to the alternate list.

2024-2025 Tuition

Team Level	Total Tuition
U6/U8 Mite Futures	\$1,400
U8 Mite	\$2,100
U10 Squirt	\$4,300
U12 Peewee	\$4,600
U14 Bantam	\$4,600
U16 & U18 Short Season	\$3,550

Goalie Discount (Squirts-Midgets): If a goalie is the only goalie on a team, tuition will be reduced 25%. If a team carries two full-time goalies, each goalie's tuition will be reduced 30%. Tryout fee will be deducted from tuition balance after initial deposit is made.

Sibling Discount: 10% off lowest tuition

Only one discount applied per family and all discounts are deducted from final payment(s).

Uniforms

For the 2024-25 Season, new players are required to purchase home and away game jerseys (\$100 youth/\$110 adult) and home and away game socks (\$30/pair). New players will receive a set of practice jerseys, returning players can purchase replacement practice jerseys, if needed, for \$25 each. A representative from XHockey Products will be here to size players during the week of tryouts. If you have any uniform needs after tryouts, please email hunterdonbears@gmail.com for information on how to place your order.

Mandatory Team Meeting

There will be a mandatory team meeting. Date and time will be announced after the selection of the teams and once player contracts have been signed. At least one parent is asked to be present at the meeting.

Commitment

Your selection and membership to the Hunterdon Bears Hockey Club will be a significant commitment on the part of the player and the player's family. In addition to weekly practices, there are usually two games per weekend. Games will either be at Flemington Ice Arena or at an away rink. Occasionally, there may be two games during the same day. The Hunterdon Bears Hockey Club must be your first priority over other commitments. We are a travel hockey club so you must be prepared to travel.



Team info at a glance:

6U/8U Futures

2017 and Younger Birth Years

NJYHL schedule

1 Practice per week during the season (approx. 24 hours)

Specialty skill sessions during the year

Game target: 18 games

Goalie: Rotating basis

Tuition: \$1,400

Coach:

Kevin Andreychak

8U Mites

2016 and Younger Birth Years

NJYHL schedule

2 Practices per week during the season (approx. 48 hours)

Specialty skill sessions during the year

Game target: 40 games

1 Club Funded Tournament

Goalie: Rotating basis

Tuition: \$2,100

Coaches:

Pat Pellegrino

TBA

10U Squirts *

2014 & 2015 Birth Years

NJYHL schedule

2 Practices per week during the season (approx. 57 hours)

Specialty skill sessions during the year

Game target: 48 games

2 Club Funded Tournaments

Summer Evening Training Camp in August

Tuition: \$4,300

Coaches:

John Turkynak

TBA

12U Peewees *

2012 & 2013 Birth Years

NJYHL schedule

2 Practices per week during the season (approx. 57 hours)

Specialty skill sessions during the year

Game target: 48 Games

2 Club Funded Tournaments

Summer Evening Training Camp in August

Dryland Training

Tuition: \$4,600

Coaches:

Pat Pellegrino

TBA

14U Bantams *

2010 & 2011 Birth Years

NJYHL Schedule

2 Practices per week during the season (approx. 57 hours)

Specialty skill sessions during the year

Game target: 48 Games

2 Club Funded Tournaments

Summer Evening Training Camp in August

Dryland Training

Tuition: \$4,600

Coaches:

Noah Antonoff

Beuk Forrest

Chris Melrose

* Select 10U-14U teams may be given the option to participate in the (EJEPL) in addition to the NJYHL. This will be discussed with teams after rosters are complete.

16UAA & 16UA Short Season **

2008 & 2009 Birth Years

NJYHL Schedule

2 Practices per week during the season (approx. 28 hours)

Specialty skill sessions during the year

Game target: 23 Games

1 Club Funded Tournament

Summer Evening Training Camp in August

Dryland Training

Tuition: \$3,550

Coaches:

Noah Antonoff

Beuk Forrest

Jeff Gorman

****A Full-Season (EJEPL or other league) add-on option will be discussed with the team after rosters are complete.**

18U Short Season

2006 & 2007 Birth Years

NJYHL Schedule

2 Practices per week during the season (approx. 28 hours)

Specialty skill sessions during the year

Game target: 23 Games

1 Club Funded Tournament

Summer Evening Training Camp in August

Dryland Training

Tuition: \$3,550

Coach:

Beuk Forrest

Coaching Director & Specialty Coaches

Coaching Director: Jackson Brassieur

Power Skating and Technique: Jackie Kulik

Skills Coach: TBA

Goaltending Program Director: TBA