



February Newsletter 2024



Highlights:

- Pray for Jace
- USA Hockey Neck Laceration Protectors
- #Teamwork
- Travel Team Coach Applications Open
- Important Dates & Info
- Support Local Teams

Stronger Everyday

Jace was recently injured during his high school game, resulting in a spinal cord injury and concussion. He is continuing to improve, but has a long road of recovery ahead. The Omaha Hockey community is supporting you, Jace!



Venmo:

[@jaceStrong-72](#)

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Neck Laceration Protectors

The USA Hockey Congress approved legislation requiring the use of **neck laceration protection** for players in all age classifications, other than adults, in games and practices, as well as for on-ice officials under the age of 18, effective August 1, 2024.

USA Hockey has long recommended the use of neck laceration protection, as well as cut-resistant socks, sleeves or undergarments. The USA Hockey Board of Directors asked the organization's Safety and Protective Equipment Committee in November 2023 to begin the process of recommending potential rule changes related to neck laceration protection.

Frequently Asked Questions:

- What is the penalty for not wearing a neck laceration protector?
 - An initial team warning followed by a 10-minute misconduct penalty for any violations after the initial warning
- What is the best neck laceration protector?
 - One that covers as much of the exposed neck area as possible and worn without alteration

Congrats to the **Bantam Select** team in their 3rd place finish in the Midwest Select League finals!

#Teamwork

Congratulations to **Squirt Black** on taking home the championship in the KC Winter Classic!

Makes the Dream Work



Congratulations to the **Squirt Selects** on their championship win in the Midwest Select League!



Mites Select Black brought home the championship in the Des Moines Mites Madness!



Congratulations to the **16u Lady Lancers** for finishing 2nd at the Can/Am Tournament in Madison, WI!





Want to Help Coach?!

The 2024-2025 Travel Team Coaching Application is now open.

Please apply by April 11th.

[Link](#)



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OHC Monthly Board Meeting
February 20, 2024 at 7pm



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Important Dates & Info

- * Feb 17th 8u Girls Skate Clinic Des Moines: [Link](#)
- * March 1-3 — Stampede: [Link](#)
- * Omaha Hockey Online Store: [Link](#)



Support Local Teams

- * Feb 2 Ralston — OJL vs Lincoln Stars: JV @ 6pm / V @ 8pm
- * Feb 9 Ralston — OJL vs Fremont Flyers: JV @ 6pm / V @ 8pm
- * Feb 10 Ralston — OJL vs Sioux City Metros: JV @ 5pm / V @ 7pm
- * Feb 11 Ralston — OJL vs Sioux City Metros: JV @ 10am / V @ 12pm
- * Omaha Hockey High School Game Schedule — [Here](#)
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