

2019-2020 AHA Little Dipper Programs Youth Teams (Boys & Girls Together)



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Age on 12/31/17	Birth Year	Division	Registration Fee (USA Hockey + AHA Fees)	Payment Plans Available Online
4	2015 & up	Learn-to-Skate	\$0 + \$649	3 payment options available
4, 5	2015 & up	Learn-to-Play	\$0 + \$649	3 payment options available
5, 6	2014 & 2013	6U Blue	\$0 + \$899	3 payment options available
7, 8	2012 & 2011	8U White - Mite	\$55+ \$899	3 payment options available
7, 8	2012 & 2011	8U Red - Mite	Must register for Mite "White" and be selected for Reds	Red Payment of \$500 will be due on December 1st.

AHA's Little Dippers Mite Development Program is designed for boys and girls ages 4 to 8 year olds. Our goal is to provide an enjoyable and challenging environment, where skill development is celebrated. No Hockey Experience Necessary! To achieve this goal, AHA will use USA Hockey's American Development Model (ADM) as a guideline. USA Hockey believes grouping players by like abilities, both in station-based practices as well as cross-ice games, leads to the greatest player development at the 8U level.

<u>Learn-to-Skate (LTS)</u> – Is a twice a week program (Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons) introduces skating and hockey fundamentals for 4 year olds and up. Season starts early October and ends with the Jamboree in late February/ Early March. Fee includes ice time, jersey, socks, and medal.

<u>Learn-to-Play (LTP)-</u> Is a twice a week program (Wednesday evening and Saturday afternoons). Our LTP program will skate right after our LTS program on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings. This program is designed for 4 & 5 year-olds that have already completed a year of our main LTS program and for players that need a little more experience before moving up to our 6U Blue Division. Our LTP program follows a lot of the same curriculum as our 6U Blue division. Players will continue to develop their fundamental skill and will be introduced to a cross or half-ice game. Season starts in early October and ends with a Jamboree in early March. Fee include ice time, jersey, socks, and medal.

<u>6U Blue Division</u> – A three times a week program for 5 and 6 year-olds is designed to develop and hone each player's fundamental skills and introduce the game of hockey. Players will practice twice a week (Tuesdays and Thursdays) and have a cross or half-ice game on Saturday mornings. Season will start early October and end with a jamboree in late February/ early March. Fee includes ice time, jersey, socks, and medal.

**There will be an evaluation for all 2011 & 2012 players on August 12th from 5:45 to 6:45 & 13th from 5:45 to 6:45pm at Dempsey Anderson 2. Advanced players will be placed in our 8U Red Program - additional fees (\$500) apply for those players selected for and choosing to participate in our Red Program. Players not selected for the Red Program will be placed on White Level teams. Evaluation will be free of charge for all players <u>registered</u> with AHA for 2019-2020 season.

<u>8U Mite ("White Division")</u> – A three times a week program for 7 and 8 year-olds is designed to develop and hone each player's fundamental skills and introduce the game of hockey. Players will practice twice a week (Tuesdays and Thursdays) and have a cross or halfice game on Saturday mornings. Season will start early October and end with a jamboree in late February/ early March. Fee includes ice time, jersey, socks, and medal.

<u>8U Mite 8U ("Red Division")</u> – Our "Red" division is for our advanced 7 and 8 year-olds, the program is designed to challenge each player's basic skills and make sure they are ready for 10U Squirt hockey. Players will skate three times a week, two practices usually Monday and Wednesday evening and have one half-ice game (4 vs 4 with goalies) on the weekend. Games will be scheduled against teams from other recreational programs in Anchorage, Eagle River and the Mat-Su Valley. Fee includes ice time, ref fees, jersey, socks, jamboree entry fees. An additional fee of \$500 is required for players selected (and agree) to participate at this level.

We understand that every child doesn't start to play hockey at 4 years old. We have designed the Little Dipper Program to accommodate every child's playing experience. It doesn't matter if your child is 4 or 8 years old. Our Little Dippers coaching staff will find the best possible fit for your child within our different Mite levels.

If you have any questions about the AHA Little Dipper Mite Development Program please email Kirk Kullberg: kkullberg@anchoragehockey.com