

Saturday February 24, and Sunday February 25, 2024

Welcome to the Big Ole Jamboree at the Runestone Community Center in Alexandria, MN. We are looking forward to providing a safe and fun jamboree for both players and guests. This letter will provide guidance on check in information, clothing orders, and general guidance for a great tournament.

General Information

Runestone Community Center 802 3rd Ave West Alexandria, MN 56308

- The Runestone Community Center has two sheets of ice. The RCC or Main rink and the West rink (WR). They are located in the same building. Use lower level entrances on the south side of the building (facing the fairground grandstands). The RCC/ Main side will have all the U8 and Advanced boys 1/2 ice games. The West Rink side is where the beginner and intermediate boys ½ cross ice games will be played. The West Rink tends to be a little cooler so dress appropriately. We have warming house viewing areas for each rink. We may have to use the WR for some Advanced and U8 games.
- Check in table is located in the front entrance to the RCC (Main) rink. All teams prior to their first game need to check in at the welcome table to receive a player gift, clothing apparel orders and any other information. The table will be staffed all weekend.
- Clothing orders will be available for pick up starting Saturday morning at the Welcome table. In order to cut down on the number of people gathered at the table at one time we ask that one person from each team picks up all the clothing for their team. Our goal is to have the orders sorted by each team. If orders were made without a specific team listed, or parents entered the wrong team or only by town/organization then we ask someone from that organization/town help hand out and get to the rightful owner. The *apparel orders* are due February 7, so please forward this link to your teams ASAP.

https://bigolemitejamboree24.itemorder.com/shop/home/

- Locker room assignments will be included in the schedule. (LR represents Locker Room) It will also be printed and posted on the wall by the concession stand, entrance to the WR and behind the Welcome Table. With over 550 skaters for the weekend, locker rooms will have to be shared. Five games are going on at once so that is 10 teams needing locker rooms. Please be patient and understanding with everyone. Our goal is for everyone to have a fun and enjoyable weekend. Please allow for 15-20 mins to dress and to be out of the locker as quickly as possible after the game is played. Please keep the lockers tidy and if any issues arise report to the volunteers at the welcome desk. Helpful tip: once dressed please slide bags to one side or neatly tucked as when your team is on the ice playing another team will be using the room.
- All games will have a 5 minute warmup, 20 minutes for the 1st half, 2 minute intermission and 20 minutes 2nd half. It will be 3 on 3 or 4 on 4 (coach's discretion). Warm up pucks will be provided by AAHA with a

bucket at each bench. We ask players and coaches to quickly help pick up pucks to keep games running on time. AAHA will provide volunteer refs. There will be a buzzer every 1.5 minutes for line changes. If a player(s) needs to double shift please have that player tag the boards as if they were making a change. Face offs will happen at the start of the game, start of 2nd half and after a goal is scored. When a goalie freezes a puck, the opposing team will back away to allow the puck to resume play. If there is a blatant penalty, the offended player will be granted a penalty shot. If a goal is not scored, the play will resume live. Each team will receive a participation medal at the end of their final game. Medals will be handed out to team coaches.

Participation medals and gift bags are ordered based on the number provided at the time of registrations, please review the summary to check for accuracy. If your team is short please let the workers at our welcome table know.

We will send out additional information and the schedule as we have that ready to go. In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact:

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