

Montclair Hockey Club Travel Team Season & Tryouts Info 2024-2025 Season



All Registrations Online at: www.montclairhockey.com



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Mission Statement

The Montclair Hockey Club endeavors to teach children that commitment, perseverance, and passion are what transforms dreams into goals realized; this process of achieving should be fun; how one conducts oneself in this process is as important as achieving the goal itself. Teamwork, fair play, and respect for others on and off the ice are what define a true champion. Our programs stress the development of skills and teamwork that will create a solid foundation for any hockey player.

Our Philosophy

Youth Hockey is about the players and MHC takes a relatively unique position in this regard. We understand winning is important and everyone from our coaches to the players want to win but we must also remember that winning in youth sports is not the ultimate goal; it is a means to an end. MHC focuses on the development of each player's skill level, character, sportsmanship and passion for the game. To accomplish this, we emphasize teamwork, respect for others, and overall having fun.

Our Facility

Home rink is Montclair State University Ice Arena, which is a state-of-the art twin ice surface facility, situated on the campus of Montclair State University. The facility is easily reached from the Garden State Parkway, Route 46, Route 3, and Interstate 80.

Our Coaches

Each season the Montclair Hockey Club puts together a highly experienced staff of coaches. Our coaches have the hockey knowledge and skating ability to develop your children in the sport of hockey. Some have played professionally, some at the collegiate level, some are local high school coaches, many continue to play today, all are focused on helping players become better hockey players.

General Information

Travel team hockey is an intensive level of competition comprised of teams organized according to USA Hockey-sanctioned age levels. The Montclair Blues teams may participate in the New Jersey Youth Hockey League (NJYHL) and the Eastern Junior Elite Prospects League (EJEPL). Our travel teams typically play games throughout the tri-state area. Each team practices twice weekly and on average plays one home game and one away game per weekend. Our home rink is Montclair State University Ice Arena but some teams may be assigned some home practice or game slots at other local arenas.

For the 2023 season player tuition covers: Uniforms, Practice Ice, Home Game Ice, Tournament Fees (number depending upon team), and a formal Off-Ice Conditioning program for 10U and older.

Bantam and Midget hockey involves body checking whereas Peewee, Squirt and Mite levels do not. Full hockey equipment is required, both for the season and for tryouts.

Team members are selected at tryouts. Attendance at all tryout sessions is strongly encouraged; missing a tryout session puts an applicant at a disadvantage and will only be permitted at the discretion of the Travel Director.

The Montclair Hockey Club reserves the right to decline any application.



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2024-2025 Season Age Requirements

Youth Teams		
Birth Years	Age Classification	
2006 – 2007	Midget 18U	
2008 – 2009	Midget 16U	
2010 – 2011	Bantam 14U	
2012 – 2013	Peewee 12U	
2014 – 2015	Squirt 10U	
2016 – 2018	Mite 6U/8U	

Mite 6U/8U Programs

MHC adheres to the USAH American Development Model (ADM) which utilizes smaller ice surfaces. Games are played 4 vs. 4 on ½ ice or cross ice. Practices are station based. Mite teams participate in an AAHA District Jamboree that evaluates and directs placement. Team sizes are small to enhance development and increase puck touches. Goalie equipment is available for players who would like to dress as a goalie throughout the season. For more information on ADM model please visit: www.usahockey.com/ADM overview.aspx

Goalies

Goalies receive discounted fees at all levels. Goalies at 10U through 14U levels receive regular goalie-specific training from qualified MHC Goalie coaches.

2024-2025 Anticipated Youth Travel Teams

- •Youth Mite 6U/8U Teams: Levels to be confirmed by NJYHL, up to 4 teams.
- •Youth Squirt 10U Teams: Levels to be confirmed by NJYHL, up to 4 teams: AA (NJYHL & EJEPL), A & B (NJYHL)
- •Youth Peewee 12U Teams, up to 4 teams: AA (NJYHL & EJEPL), A & B (NJYHL)
- •Youth Bantam 14U Teams, up to 4 teams: AA & 13P (NJYHL & EJEPL or additional tournaments), A & B (NJYHL)
- •Youth Midget 16U & 18U Teams up to 8 teams: 18AA, 16AA (NJYHL & extended season option), 18A & 16A (NJYHL) Final decisions regarding number and level of teams and league(s) participation will be made after tryouts.

Eastern Junior Elite Prospects League (EJEPL) Teams

Youth teams participating in EJEPL or alternate leagues - season begins early August with weekly on and off-ice practices and a showcase tournament. September - March two practices per week and off ice training with a second showcase tournament in Fall.



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Fees & Payment Schedule

The tryout fee is \$50 for 6U/8U Mites and \$150 for all others online before tryout date. In person registration will incur an additional \$25.00 handling fee. See details below.

- All players must provide a current USA Hockey Membership Number.
- Tryout fees must be paid in full prior to the first tryout date and are non-refundable.
- Registration must be completed and paid for online at: www.montclairhockey.com
- American Express, Discover, Visa, MasterCard and PayPal are accepted online.

If selected to an MHC team a deposit of \$1000 is due upon acceptance of a roster spot. Goalies pay in full. Balance is due via payment plan by September 1st or start of season, whichever comes first. Players who are not paid in full by the deadline may lose their spot.

MHC 2024 – 2025 Tryout Fees

Travel Program	Pre-Registration	2024-2025 Season Tuition
	Tryout Fee	
Youth Mites 6U/8U	\$50 Goalies \$0	Skaters \$2900 Goalies \$300
Youth Squirt AA 10U/9U (NJYHL &	\$150 Goalies \$0	Skaters \$4800 Goalies \$300
EJEPL)		
Youth Squirt A & B 10U (NJYHL)	\$150 Goalies \$0	Skaters \$4200 Goalies \$300
Peewee/12U/11A PWAA (NJYHL &	\$150 Goalies \$0	Skaters \$4900 Goalies \$300
EJEPL)		
Peewee/12U PWA & PWB (NJYHL)	\$150 Goalies \$0	Skaters \$4400 Goalies \$300
Bantam/14U BAA (NJYHL & EJEPL	\$150 Goalies \$50	Skaters \$5200 Goalies \$500
or multi-tournament)		
Bantam/13P (NJYHL & EJEPL or	\$150 Goalies \$50	Skaters \$5200 Goalies \$500
multi-tournament)		
Bantam BA & BB (NJYHL)	\$150 Goalies \$50	Skaters \$4600 Goalies \$500
Midget 18AA, 18A, 16AA, 16A	\$150 Goalies \$50	Skaters \$3000 Goalies \$500
(Short Season NJYHL)		
Midget 18AA, 16AA		TBD
(Extended Season option)		

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For latest Tryouts schedule, registration and more information visit our website: www.montclairhockey.com