

# Willmar Hockey Association Fall Meeting

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Welcome Parents!

Welcome to the 2020-2021 hockey season

The 2020-21 season is going to be an incredibly special year for WHA as this is our 50th anniversary year as a hockey association. Like in our past 50 years we have had many families donate countless hours to ensure the youth in our community can play the great game of hockey. It is important to remember we are all volunteers, and we all have a choice to become involved.

WHA has embraced the challenges of recruitment, retention, skill development, financial constraints, and quality programs, by looking at past successes along with new and innovative ideas. Our program does not co-op with any other school district which makes growth difficult. Our registration numbers have remained steady, and we are focusing on creating a solid player development program while working to keep costs affordable costs to families.

With the excitement of the 2019-20 Girls Varsity team return to the state tournament shows that the goal of building a long-standing successful hockey program, instilling good sportsmanship, teaching responsibility, and creating pride can make the hard work exciting and rewarding! I encourage everyone to look at how you can be a part of that goal. Inspire your children to work hard, set a good example by thanking the coaches and respecting officials of the game, commit to volunteering your time and speak positively about our program and what has been accomplished.

Our handbook/by-laws are a guide for the operation of the Willmar Hockey Association. We also must follow the rules from District 5, MN Hockey and USA Hockey. The Board takes into consideration all rules and guidelines when making decisions. Please make yourself informed about the rules and never hesitate to contact a board member with your questions or concerns.

Together with hard work and pride let's make the 50<sup>th</sup> season of WHA the best yet!!! We cannot do this without our hockey families support and willingness to work together.

Sincerely,

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President, Willmar Hockey Association

# Did You Know:

- Association Dues was **\$62,255**
- Ice Cost was **\$69,150**
- Tournament Cost was **\$24,123**
- Referee cost was **\$15,197**

\*all data is representative of the 2019-2020 season

**2019-2020 had a total expense of  
\$94,118**

By joining a committee you help build ice time, tournament opportunities, and unique fundraising ideas that help grow our association!



# Did You Know:

## It is WHA's GOLDEN SEASON!

We are looking forward to celebrating  
this year through our :

- Tournaments
- Fun events
- Apparel options
- Commemorative home jersey for  
all of our skaters!!



# 2020-2021 Teams :

- Bantams - A team
- PeeWees - A & B teams
- 12u - B team
- 10u - B team
- Squirts - A & B teams



# 2020-2021 Try-Outs :

- Squirts A | B
  - Sat (10/10) & Sun (10/11)
  - 10:15 to 11:45 both days
- PeeWees - A & B teams
  - Sat (10/10) & Sun (10/11)
  - 12:15 to 1:45 both days

- \* Arrive early to check in and receive Jersey.
- \* Parents of Squirts may assist dressing.
- \* ALL parents MUST leave the building prior to tryouts starting.
- \* No Spectators are ALLOWED during tryouts





# 2020-2021

## Home Tournaments

- Bantams  
Nov. 20th-22nd
- PeeWee  
Jan. 15th-17th
- 12u | 10u  
Dec. 4th-6th
- Squirts  
Dec. 11th-13th

\*\*\*Subject to approval through D5 \*\*\*



# 2020-2021 Away Tournaments

- Bantam A:  
Duluth Jan. 1-3  
Rochester Jan. 15-17
- Pee wee A:  
New Ulm Jan. 8-10  
Moorhead Jan. 29-31
- Pee wee B :  
Moorehead Nov. 20-22  
Owatonna Jan. 8-10

\*\*\*Dates Subject to Change\*\*\*





# 2020-2021 Away Tournaments

- 12U A:  
Brainerd : January 8-10  
Detroit Lakes : Feb. 5-7
- 10U:  
Brainard : Jan. 22-24
- Squirt A:  
Thief River Falls Jan. 22-24
- Squirt B:  
Duluth: Feb 12-14

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# Off-Ice Committee :

- **Apparel Order**
  - To Open Monday - 10/5
- **Jerseys**
  - Commemorative Jersey for our Golden Season
  - New Jerseys for 2021-22
- **Coaching Needs**
  - Red Books
  - Pucks & More
- **First Aid & Safety**



# Tournament Coordinator Duties

- Attend Monthly tournament coordinator meetings
- Assist in finding teams if the tournament is not full
- Provide input on tournament organization
- Request rosters from registered teams
- Proofread and approve tournament programs
- Pick up programs/trophies/medal before start of tournament
- Pick up and hang tournament bracket/standings poster
- Coordinate volunteer sign up for game day operations
- Assist with welcome table set up

# Fundraising :

## ● WHA Holiday Greens

- Start selling today!
- \$33,800+
- Team Green Coordinators needed
- Website Link:

<https://willmarhockey.pucksystems.com/page/show/54433-holiday-greens-for-sale>

## ● Ice Melt - \*NEW\*

- \$15,000+ opportunity
- 5 buckets / skater required
- Website Link:

<https://willmarhockey.pucksystems.com/page/show/5993355-salt-bucket-fundraiser>

- **\*Help Wanted\*** Many other fun ideas to help take WHA to another level!



# Parent Volunteers

Parent volunteers who work in one of these roles **MUST** register with USA Hockey as a Volunteer (there is no cost to this membership)

And complete the Background Check and Safesport Training:

- Locker Room Monitors
- Team Reps
- Tournament Coordinators



# Parent Volunteers

Game Workers DO NOT NEED the  
Background Check or Safesport

- Clock
- game stats
- penalty box





## Rec Programs :

- Learn to Skate | Learn to Play Hockey and Mite Rec programs are registered separately.
- Registration to open in the fall and will be advertised through the Willmar Community Rec Book and WHA website.

## Traveling Mites :

- Registration to open in the fall and will be advertised through the Willmar Community Rec Book and WHA website.
- Must register with USA Hockey to compete.

# Willmar Hockey Boosters

Gold Card Fundraiser

