Hello EJYH Families!

Covid-19 has brought many challenges regarding the upcoming hockey season. With guidance from NYSAHA, we are now one step closer to our return to hockey. The new adopted schedule for the      2020-21 season allows organizations to begin selection of Travel Teams prior to tryouts. In lieu of this, Elmira Hockey Travel Team selection for the 2020-21 season will adhere to the following format:

Beginning on June 1 at 9:00am and continuing through June 10th at 5:00pm, EJYH will open registration for Travel Team Divisions 14U-18U. Players with birth years **2002-2007** will be eligible to register. Every player who is interested in playing travel hockey for EJYH must register on the Elmira Hockey website. This includes both current members and those who played for another organization in 2019-20. There is no cost for registration.

\*\*\*\*Registration does not guarantee a spot on a Team.

From the eligible registrants, Coaches may then select players for their team. Coaches may or may not choose a full roster of players. Tryouts for next season are still pending, and we intend to hold tryouts when we are given approval by our USA Hockey affiliate to complete unfilled rosters.

On Saturday, June 13th, registered players may be contacted by the Coach to extend an invitation to play for the Travel Team. Players that are invited will have until June 16th at 5:00pm to sign a commitment letter and pay their $350 deposit to EJYH to secure a spot on the team. All players will be contacted regardless if they are asked to play.

The following Coaches have committed to EJYH:

14U/16U TB --Head Coach: John Parks/John Balland

18U TB          --Head Coach: Matt Peris

Players that commit in the designated time CANNOT be cut to make room for players that come in after the designated date. Additional players may be accepted onto the team only if there are open spots.

For any reason, if the season is changed, delayed or cancelled, or families find themselves in financial hardship due to COVID-19, players will not be held to their commitments and any registration deposits will be refunded.

I will be sure to share information as it becomes available. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Hope each and every one of you and your family are safe and in good health.

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