



Knights Hockey Club Evaluations Town Hall

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Agenda

- Introduction to the inaugural Knights Hockey Club Season
- Parent Expectations
- Overview of the Evaluation Process
- What is the 'Pre-seed'?
- Evaluation Criteria
- How does a player move through the process?
- Goalie Evaluations
- How will teams be formed?
- Questions and Answers



Parent Expectations

- Read all communication from the Evaluation Team, Age Group Coordinators and Knights Hockey Club.
- Ensure that you and your player(s) understand the process.
- Practice proper sports etiquette and adhere to the principles of Respect in Sport.
- People demonstrating unacceptable behavior will be removed from the viewing area and could be suspended from attending future evaluation sessions.
- Unacceptable behavior includes but is not limited to: a) yelling at your player on or off the ice, b) coaching your child from the stands or bench, c) abusive or threatening language towards players, volunteers or other parents.



Parent Expectations

- Assist your player in being prepared. Arrive at the rink 45 minutes before their scheduled ice time. Be fully dressed and ready to go 15 minutes before ice time is scheduled to begin.
- Stay positive and support your player throughout the process. They will perform better when stress is lower.
- Inform your Age Group Coordinator if you will be missing an ice time, if your player is sick, or becomes injured during the process.
- No videotaping is permitted of the evaluation skates. No photos or video inside the dressing rooms. No photos of sign in sheets.



Evaluation Process

- A quantitative process where players are evaluated by non-age group coaches and independent (non-association) evaluators.
- There will be a minimum of 10 evaluators per Skate.
- There are 5 evaluation Skates per age group.
- The Skates will begin with a skills drill for ~10-15 minutes with the remaining time for game play.
- The first Novice Skate will be timed drills. Players will be placed alphabetically into Skate 1.
- Players will be evaluated on their Competitive Spirit, Functional Intelligence, Puck Possession Skills, and Speed.

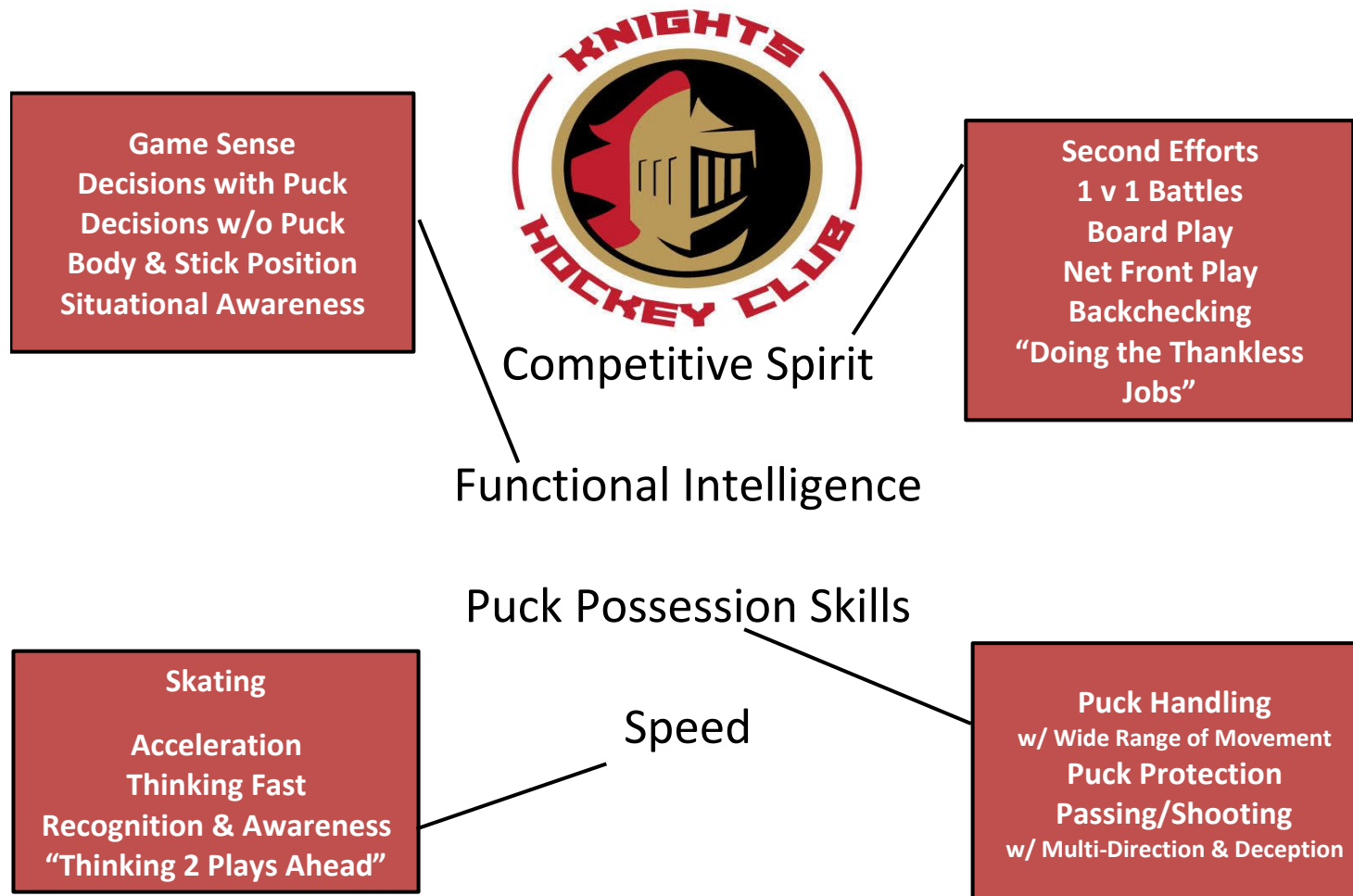


Evaluation Process

- Atom and PeeWee players will be placed in Skate 1 based off of the team that they played on last season. The 'pre-seed'.
- After this initial placement, the 'pre-seed' is dropped and is no longer considered for future Skate placement.
- While every effort was made not to split players who played on the same team last year, unfortunately we had to; mostly due to the imbalance between forwards and defense in PeeWee.
- Players starting in a higher group were selected randomly (and proportionately based on former hockey association).
- Players can move up a Group, stay in the same Group, or move down a Group after each Skate based off of their ranking determined by the evaluators.
- A player who has clearly established their position on team 1 can be "pulled" from the evaluation process after the completion of Skate 3.



Evaluation Criteria





Player Movement

- Players are placed in a Group in Skate 1 based on the pre-seed.
- Players move between Groups based off of their rankings during the previous Skate(s) as determined by the evaluators.
- Final Rankings and team placement based on final 3 Skates.

	Skate 1	Skate 2	Skate 3	Skate 4	Skate 5	Final Ranking	End Team/Division
Group G (lowest ranked)	Pre-seed	S1	S2	S2 + S3	S3 + S4	S3 + S4 + S5	Div 7
Group F	Pre-seed	S1	S2	S2 + S3	S3 + S4	S3 + S4 + S5	Div 6 & 7
Group E	Pre-seed	S1	S2	S2 + S3	S3 + S4	S3 + S4 + S5	Div 5 & 6
Group D	Pre-seed	S1	S2	S2 + S3	S3 + S4	S3 + S4 + S5	Div 4 & 5
Group C	Pre-seed	S1	S2	S2 + S3	S3 + S4	S3 + S4 + S5	Div 3 & 4
Group B	Pre-seed	S1	S2	S2 + S3	S3 + S4	S3 + S4 + S5	Div 2 & 3
Group A (highest ranked)	Pre-seed	S1	S2	S2 + S3	S3 + S4	S3 + S4 + S5	Div 1 & 2



Goalie Evaluations

- Due to the specialized nature of the goaltender position, a specialized third party company (World Pro) has been retained to provide evaluators for the entire process.
- Goalies will have 2 technical skates and 5 evaluation skates with the players to determine their team placement.



Team Formation

- Players final rankings are the average of the final 3 skates.
- Coaches will be selected after the players are placed on a team from their final ranking.
- With the size of the organization, we will have parity teams in virtually every division.
- Parity teams will be split as evenly as possible between former Breaker and Maverick coaches.



Thank You to our Volunteers

- Evaluations would not be possible without our volunteers.
- We will have over 100 members volunteering 1000's of hours to ensure that evaluations run smoothly. They include evaluators, on ice coaches, bench staff, referees, check-in desk/jersey distribution, data teams, time keepers, board members and more.
- We will use Signup Genius.com for members to register for volunteer shifts that fit into your personal schedule for evaluations and various roles throughout the season. The link will be sent to the membership as well as posted on the Knights Hockey Club website.
- Be courteous and respectful to our volunteers.
- Thank You for your time and making the season a success for our players!!!



Questions