

## August 27, 2020

Dear GHC families,

Welcome to the 2020-21 minor hockey season!

Thank you for putting your trust in Girls Hockey Calgary Association (GHC) as we enter a new setting of organized sport in our city. GHC has experienced *another year of organic growth in registration numbers*, giving our volunteers the confidence and motivation to deliver a best-in-class female hockey program from First Strides to AAA and every age division in between.

The first run-through for our Jr. Inferno Community stream will be our evaluation process, which begins this Saturday with U13 parents and players. We are well prepared and expect many learn-as-you-go opportunities throughout the next few weeks. Thank you for your patience and understanding, and thank you to those who have already signed up to volunteer. Ensuring a safe and enjoyable minor hockey season will be a shared responsibility among us all.

Please find below some reminders for your first evaluation session. If you have any questions, please direct them to your Age Group Coordinators and we will be sure to address any concerns.

Good luck to all of our members! See you at the rink!

Sincerely,

### **Ted Oloriz**

VP Operations
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The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team.

- Phil Jackson



### JR INFERNO COMMUNITY EVALUATIONS

### **Before Your First Ice Session**

- 1. Visit the GHC website for the most up-to-date information on the following:
  - Evaluation Process & Schedule: <a href="https://www.girlshockeycalgary.com/evaluations/">https://www.girlshockeycalgary.com/evaluations/</a>
  - Return to Play / Health and Safety Guidelines: <a href="https://www.girlshockeycalgary.com/return-to-play/">https://www.girlshockeycalgary.com/return-to-play/</a>
- 2. Review GHC's Evaluation Checklist (attached).

### **Pre-Activity Screening**

GHC members must complete and be cleared in <u>TeamSnap Health Check</u> before attending each ice session. Players will be added by age division (i.e. U18 Evaluations). The system is very easy to use and will allow us to track attendance and accurately capture a players COVID-19 status prior to participating in a hockey activity. This information is private — only the fact that a player has "cleared" the Health Check is visible to an administrator of the group. Health Check will be available 8 hours prior to the beginning of each ice session your player is attending.

Read more about Health Check here: <a href="https://www.girlshockeycalgary.com/learn-about-teamsnaps-health-check-screening-tool-before-evaluations/">https://www.girlshockeycalgary.com/learn-about-teamsnaps-health-check-screening-tool-before-evaluations/</a>

### Arriving at the Rink

GHC Volunteers will be onsite to greet you and your player as soon as you arrive. You will receive your helmet sticker (at the first session) and may be asked to show your "Cleared" Health Check on your TeamSnap app. At the check-in desk, please observe:

- Personal protective practices (face coverings, coughing and sneezing etiquette, hand hygiene).
- Visible cues (e.g. tape or cones) to support physical distancing where applicable.
- Physical line controls (enter/exit signs) where applicable.

### **Player Identification**

Upon arrival to your daughter's first Community elevations session, GHC will issue a unique identification number to display on the player's helmet. These numbers must remain visible and unaltered on your daughter's helmet for the entirety of the evaluation sessions. If you encounter issues with your daughter's helmet sticker, please advise your AGC.

### **Player Groupings**

Players will be assigned to a specific ice time for each evaluation session. They will be identified using their Hockey Canada ID#. Names will not be listed. As evaluations proceed, the player groupings in each session will change based on varying group sizes and player's performance. Players are responsible for checking this page regularly during evaluations to determine which ice times they are required to attend. No notice will be sent out. Players will only be allowed to attend their assigned ice times.



# Evaluation Checklist



# Waiver & Pre-Activity Screening

- All players must complete a GHC Release and Waiver prior to the first ice session.
- All players must complete TeamSnap Health Check prior to each ice session.
- If a participant is unable to "Clear" the Health Check, she should stay home and advise the Age Group Coordinator.
- DO NOT ATTEND A HOCKEY ACITIVITY IF YOU ARE SICK.



# Safety Protocols

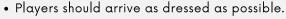
- U7-U11: One (1) parent may assist with equipment and then must exit the arena ASAP.
- U13-U18: Parents must drop off their player at the check-in desk and not enter the facility.
- All individuals MUST follow all guidelines and by-laws that have been put in place by the facility and/or local government in relation to COVID-19, including physical distancing, proper hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette, and face coverings.

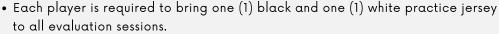
# Player ID Sticker

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# Jerseys & Equipment





• Full equipment MUST be worn on the ice at all times. Your child may be asked to leave the ice if they are not fully dressed due to safety protocol.



## Water Bottle

- Players must bring their own clearly labelled water bottle and are not permitted to share any equipment during the sessions.
- Water bottles should be filled at home as facilities may have turned off fountains.



