

Comments

#letthemplay

A financial compensation for the lost time needs to be communicated to families.

All ice time is good. All interaction between the kids at all ages is good. All exercise is good. All skills development is good. There is nothing bad about the hockey environment so whatever opportunities we have, we should take them. Thanks and good luck.

Any hockey would be a good result. A return to an association only cohort model (50 people) and inter cohort games would be ok and better than cancelling the season.

Any icetime would be a great benefit for the kids physically and mentally. Thanks for the strategy around this in a difficult time period.

Anything is better than nothing! Games, no games, just want my kids skating and enjoying hockey

Anything is better than nothing. Kids show up with all equipment except skates. If possible, limit practices to half ice with only the same two teams on the ice for all practices. No games and minimize contact between players - simply practice and exercise for kids.

Appreciate all the hard work and hours that go into understanding the current rules under Covid that are ever changing. The communication with us has been amazing and always timely after a change in covid rules. Thank you!

As for the spring hockey would depend on dates, as long as it ends in June. Also only interested to continue as practice's only if we get a price reduction...I do not think we should pay full price just for practice.

As much as I want my kids back on the ice my key concern is keeping them at school, if this means no sports I would prefer that. The fact that the kids played in cohorts and then changed teams but never actually met these players is very strange and hard on the kids. Some teams are doing off ice virtual but this is hard given the kids might never play with these kids and don't know the coaches. It feels they just need to start fresh again. Do a whole reset with spring hockey

At the AAA level I see no reason why we can't go back to the cohort based approach and limit the number of teams played over a set period of time. This results in very limited risk of exposure compared to being in school!

At the end of the day the kids want to play so any ice time is better than nothing. Team sport is whats missing with the current situation.

At this point our preference is for kids to get back on the ice in some capacity. Games within cohort would be a bonus but ultimately they would just be happy for ice time!

At this point the provincial government isn't even considering lifting restrictions on restaurants and gyms so I cannot see them lifting on game play anytime soon. I think whether we would like to continue is out of our hands. Hopefully we can start thinking about perhaps having a spring program.

At this point, the season should just be canceled and fees should be refunded to use towards next year. Why try to start the process now, for only a month or two? The players would be starting with new teams, and coaches and teammates they have potentially never met. Why create new cohorts at this point? The only way hockey should resume is IF players returned to their original cohorts that were formed at the beginning of the season...with the coaches and players they were with initially. In this case, all families should receive a partial refund for fees that were paid at the beginning of the season. Thank you for asking for feedback before making any decisions!!

At this point, whether there are any formal games or not is not important anymore. Our kids just want to get back on the ice with some teammates and enjoy playing hockey. If restrictions lift, simplify everything and just have mini cohort teams and play amongst themselves (at least for the younger groups). Just having them back on the ice to play some hockey is better than nothing at all.

At this stage of the game, given many factors there is no appetite for our daughter to continue this year.

Be good just to get the players back on the ice with some structure for practices

Both children are signed up for spring programs so just extending the hockey season to practice doesn't make sense to

us.

Both of my kids are already signed up to spring programs, so extending the hockey season only makes sense if Hockey Calgary is certain that we will get back on the ice with the teams that the kids originally made. We have no desire to go back to the old cohort system or having the kid evaluated as #48 playing with kid evaluated as #1. Furthermore, continued 2-week delays with uncertainty doesn't help families with decision making for other hockey (sports) plans, time off plans, etc... I guess what I'm saying is, at some point we need to just make a decision about go, no go.

Both players play box lacrosse so I'm not sure how an overlap of seasons would work. Can't wait to get back. Kids need this!

Cancel the winter season, plan for spring hockey no restrictions

Can't Hockey Calgary or Hockey Alberta put pressure on the Gov't of Alberta to get hockey going again?? As there was no massive spread of Covid through hockey or sports. The cohorts system was working and the kids were playing. Think someone needs to step up and fight for the kids and hockey I'm almost at the point of taking the kids out and demanding a refund for the season. Let's get the kids palying again!!!

Concluding the survey, we would be interested if a fair amount of our payment went towards a spring program, or if the season is rendered cancelled, then carried over to the next available season. Thanks!
considering the covid circumstances i suggest cancel the season & refund the fees or carry the funds for following year

Enough of the lockdown get the kids on the ice!!!

Extending the season is fine, but not creating or encouraging extra spring hockey - kids need to be multi-sport athletes. They should be encouraged to play other sports outside the hockey season. I don't want to see Hockey Alberta/Hockey Calgary go down the slippery slope of spring hockey and all of the madness that entails.

Extending the season is of no benefit to me if I am going to university next year. It would better benefit younger ones to join a spring program and train next year then to drag the season on.

Focus on next year.

For some spring leagues they plan on starting the beginning of April even if the hockey season gets extended then people will have to choose between ice times or programs depending on the restriction that come along with return to play. No multiple sports or cohort etc. I feel that we also need some direction from somewhere, if the government won't give one HC should come up with a definitive date for a go or no go for the season instead of this just hanging on. For the safety of my kids and family I would like to end the season unless we have timely vaccinations before returning to the ice. The risk to family and the community is not worth pushing ahead with an abbreviated season that could be engaged through other programs like spring hockey for those who desire it.

Get kids back in sports! It is so wrong to keep them out when they were being so careful and safe! Not fair to them in their formative years!

Get the kids back on the ice. It's good for their overall health! Washing hands, using mask are useless if kids are suffering from depression for not able to play or see their friends. Healthy body fights the virus!

Given the toll this past year has taken on everyone and especially the youth, think it's important to safely get kids back on the ice. Hockey is not only a physical reprieve for most athletes but provides social, mental and emotional benefits as well. Loss of a whole season will have an impact on the return to play for many athletes.

Given what is known at present about the factors that constitute Covid "super-spreader" environments (i.e. poorly ventilated, cold, dry indoor environments with deeply breathing individuals in close contact), as much as I would like to return to play, I feel it is far too risky to pursue a return to hockey until the pandemic is more in control.

Go back to the COVID cohorts, (that were used at the start of the season) where team sizes are reduced and teams just play scrimmages against other equal teams in their association.

Going back to a cohort set up where we can play games within the cohort would be great, but without scrimmages and just practices it will be hard to get the kids back into it, especially into April.

HC and HA need to get some balls and start doing/demanding instead of waiting for your masters to give you come crumbs.

Hockey Calgary did a great job with the evals and cohort approach in the fall. Maybe something similar? We see this hockey season as a development year that could focus more on practice and skills development than games. I know the kids love formal games but getting them on the ice to at least have a chance to "do" hockey this year as a priority over being able to play a pile of formal games. The game situations in the fall cohorts were good.

Hockey Calgary needs to lead with strict measures for the associations. Distancing, arena expectations, and dressing room etiquette should be guided by Hockey Calgary. For example, McKnight had a strict no bags policy, kids came fully dressed and didn't hang out in the dressing rooms after practice. On the other hand, GHC fostered an environment of entitlement and apathy to the rules. Girls crowded into the dressing rooms, didn't wear masks and didn't follow distancing guidelines. If these were expectations from Hockey Calgary there wouldn't be so much difference between the associations and as a large governing body could lobby better to the health officials and government to keep a season going during a pandemic.

Hockey Cda did a good job of safely launching this season but with current Covid status, it feels like the best path forward would be to cancel the balance of this season, provide a straight-line pro-rated credit towards next season and begin extensive planning to ensure a safe and successful 2021-22 season can be executed.

How many people in the world died from COVID due to playing ice hockey ? Zero

I am hoping if this current season is cancelled, Hockey Calgary has a plan to issue refunds for the season or carry over funds to next years registration fees.

I believe the restrictions need to be reviewed at the time if the program is extend and the impact it would have on kids playing in other sports. The focus should be to extend the season as long as possible but not impact kids from having the ability to play multi sports. If that is impacted, you may see a decline in certain sports participation which is not a good thing.

I believe we need to get the players in the ice. If it makes a difference, let take a step backwards into our cohorts and have them on the ice.

I feel a refund is in order regardless of what the next few months look like. Families can't afford to pay thousands of dollars for a season that doesn't happen, and many families may be on the verge of quitting if the associations claim their costs can't be reimbursed, so therefore don't refund families appropriately.

I feel as though we have already missed so much as it is, and even if there is return to play and a slight extension of the season I feel that hockey organizations either need to look at reimbursing families or applying credits that can be used towards next years registration.

I feel my girls have lost alot of social communication and friendships this year hoping that they can get to game play season.

I feel that it is irresponsible to re-start the hockey season. I would love to have my children play hockey again however covid precautions must take priority.

I feel that the season should be cancelled. If we do return, I would prefer to see Hockey Calgary providing firm direction to all of the associations regarding what the COVID protocols are instead of leaving it to the individual association. There was too much variation and not enough enforcement of the guidelines prior to this latest shut down, which in my opinion, led to multiple cohorts being exposed. One of the associations I am with took the outbreak very seriously, while the other seemed very relaxed, and only seemed to do the bare minimum when it came to protecting players. I have different feelings for each child for each of these questions. It is difficult to answer these questions when there has been no word about what the refunds will look like to the families.

I honestly hope they get to play, but we would not be interested in extending the season

I just want to get back onto the ice!!

I planned on taking harder classes in second semester of high school thinking hockey would mostly be over. Not interested in it going later than normal as school is my priority.

I strongly believe that we should get back on the ice as soon as possible but under no circumstance should it go past April as not to interfere with other activities and Spring. Tony Fairfield

I suggest going back to the cohorts or whatever situation allows for some type of games. I don't think we should attempt to play other associations with isolations in between etc. Development and games within a cohort would be best up until mid March. Thanks.

I sure hope we have some sort of a season. These kids need an outlet. I believe with proper safety measures kids should be able to return to the ice. Even if no parents in the stands. just let them play. My two cents.

I think its in best interest to just provide a refund or a credit to next years hockey season

I think skating is better than not skating, just harder to keep the kids excited without games. Challenges maybe?? Races, skills, relays, etc... Any competitive aspect would help keep my kiddos going anyway :)

I think the best thing to do would be to cancel this season and hope that we can get back to normal to start the season in September.

I thought evaluations went well with social distancing and restrictions. If we need to do the same to get back on the ice we will be happy just to get the kids moving. Our friends have kids in ski programs and they are running well with restrictions so hopefully hockey can do the same. Thank you for all your efforts balancing the pandemic and safety with our hope to get back to some form of hockey.

I understand some people would rather end the season and get some form of refund but this is for the kids and if we can salvage any form of hockey I'm for it even if it's just team practices. They need something.

I want my daughter to have access to some form of scheduled physical activity. the shutdown was unreasonable.

I wish our association would stop spending money on Zoom yoga and Zoom stick handling sessions that she did not sign up for. She registered in hockey and if you cannot provide hockey give us a refund and don't waste our money on stupid Zoom classes.

I would be happy to receive a refund for both associations.

I would be more interested in skill development programs till we can start back up in the fall 2021

I would be OK in going back if we stayed in the cohorts that were originally formed in September. What Girls Hockey did by blowing up the cohorts was a brutal and terrible decision and both from a COVID stand point and how they treat the athletes and I hope you share that with them.

I would definitely try to end up the season as "normal" as we could. These times with restrictions and other unfortunate events would be a little more bearable if we continue with these activities for our kids. Thanks for the hard work! I would happily return to the Cohort style hockey that we had in Sept - November. Less exposure and the kids get out, have fun and get active in a safe and controlled setting. The grouping also allows for the high ratio of absences for the High School population as they have to self-isolate frequently. I have NO interest in a typical season playing games with kids from all over the city. This is way too risky, selfish and unnecessary and will result in a high exposure rate as kids from other communities criss cross paths. One of my kids is a high level player. It is really hard as opportunities have been lost due to the lost season. However long term it is reckless and a waste of time to open up and have kids cross communities. All the planning will be for nothing as the season will quickly shut down and people will be put unnecessarily put at risk. Go back to Cohort hockey if you can otherwise cancel the season and refund the families who need the money right now.

I would like associations to provide information regarding refunds of registration fees or possible credit for next season. We were not even on the ice for 1/3 of the season. There has been little to no information provided to hockey families. I would like my daughter to get back on the ice to get some development this season, if that's all they can have. My daughter made tier 1 GHC, and the girls have not had a single practice as a team together yet, before hockey got shutdown. I wish for my daughter and her teammates to have some skill development directed at their tier/skill level. I do not wish for hockey to return to group cohorts (45-48 players), as my daughter and her teammates need to practice with their team and their respective coaches. If the girls cannot practice with their (tier) team and we return to the big cohorts again, then I wish for the season to be done, and we will then look forward to spring hockey. Thanks for sending this survey out. I don't envy the position HC and the various associations are in, as Covid and the uncertainties around return to play are difficult to plan around.

I would like to get my kids back on the ice in a safe manner. Thank you.

I would like to get my money back and make a family decision about what we would like to do in the spring and evaluate the program based on what is being offered. The uncertainty of COVID and the continued shut downs makes me wonder if an extended season can even be possible.

I would like to go back to the mini cohorts where we can play with friends and team we know and have the ability to develop and see more ice time with smaller numbers on the team

I would prefer to shut it down. At least there is certainty and we can all move on to other things. Perhaps target spring league when there is more certainty.

I would rather we just go back to the cohorts and have games inside the cohort like before the shutdown. There was nothing wrong with that, lots of practice and kids can play games. re-evaluating to go to competition was a waste of time. I never understood it, especially for Atom and under. Atom and lower should have always been about development regardless of the pandemic. It should have been the goal to just keep them on the ice, who cares about competition. People who want competition can go get taken to the bank by the Super Duper league.

I'm not interested with 4 children increasing our exposure to various rinks and feel it's irresponsible to have a formal season. I would be interested in doing just practices like we did prior to the shut down, it kept the kids active and developing and I still felt our family was being kept safe. I was always concerned that Hockey Calgary was moving too quickly into a competitive phase given the circumstances. So long as the kids are on the ice working on development, that's enough with this situation.

If allowed by the restrictions, we would be very supportive of a return to the cohort format that was used in the first two months of the season as this could hopefully allow for game play. Our kids are young enough (U11 and U9) that we don't feel it's detrimental if they don't play out of association this year. While we know that Hockey Calgary did not choose the timing of the shutdown, the fact that it happened right as the transition from cohorts to teams occurred it has made it very challenging to build rapport on our team. At the U11 level and below it felt like it was a rush to a competitive season with the likelihood of no real benefit and just an increase in the chance of teams being exposed to Covid. If games aren't going to happen, I think HC should let each association decide how to proceed independently.

If hockey does return to play, I'd like to see an option of discontinuing with prorated return of payment.

If hockey returns it needs to revert back to the original cohort system within the associations. Limit the effect a positive test has on others outside an association

If practices only then there needs to be a refund reflecting this. Get these kids playing hockey!

If restrictions prevent the playing of games, the season should be cancelled and players released to register in private training programs of their choice because in-season training developed for associations is inferior to private off-season training developed for elite athletes.

If season resumes and games are played - there needs to be enough games played to determine a proper seeding for a playoff type of tournament. No sense playing only 4 games and then saying here is your champion or here is the seeding etc. Make the season meaningful or call it a day and cancel the season.

If the season gets extended, it is not fair to those who already paid and committed to a spring program. Would want a refund rather than my child on the ice 6 times a week.

If the shut down extends into early February I would like to see another survey because things may change with our outlook by then. I would also like to better understand season extension vs reimbursement once return to play becomes an option. If hockey starts along with other sports programs, my child may decide to switch sports, but it is too early to say right now.

If there was direction on how we would be back on the ice, would definitely be interested. At this point, it is almost time to start focusing on the spring sports season.

If this pushes into February the season should be cancelled and let the players find spring hockey programs if they choose

If we have to return to only practices I would recommend some training for coaches on how to build practices that develop skills and engage players love for the game. I think this is tough when there is no game play and should not be left to chance.

I'm only interested in hockey if it's business as usual ... no masks, no change room limits, no silly distancing rules. Just real people getting together to let their kids enjoy hockey and all its benefits ... friendship, self improvement, teamwork, etc.

In the spring we do lots of camping. We pay a lot for our lot and try to get out every weekend. I would 100% be interested in spring hockey if it was on weekdays only.

It has been well documented that playing hockey in community rinks at any age group has led to an increase in community transmission of Covid 19. At this time, I don't believe there is a safe return to hockey considering Alberta has daily case counts still hovering around 800 per day. Why continue to risk the health of the community and our families at this time? I would rather see either a refund or credit applied to future hockey seasons when it is safe to play and vaccines have been administered widespread. Thanks for the consideration.

It is tough to answer the spring hockey question as would be a different answer for all three kids.

it is unfortunate the kids can not choose their cohort, my daughter would gladly work on line at school if she could have a hockey cohort that kept her active. The lack of physical activity is challenging.

It was a good try but let's move on to summer sports like lacrosse and baseball.

It would be amazing if we could possibly return to at the very least the same or similar format that we had in the fall of 2020, with our GHC U13 cohort group being split into three teams for game play. Kind regards,

It's so unfortunate how this hockey season has been But we would be happy if we could have even a partial season if it's possible to go into the spring.

It's time to move on

It's over so let it go for this season.

It's time to get the kids out and playing the game they love.. I'm all for a extended season as long it involves not only practices but competitive games also.. thought about trying spring hockey if the league cancels but not sure if I can afford that.

Just looking forward to getting back out there, it's been long enough

Just want to get the kids skating!

Kids need ice to develop and at anytime. Thanks.

Kids need to get back to playing, I think that we should extend into the spring - if not then rebates; It is noticeable how much this shutdown has affected my children, I need some sort of physical activity to keep their mental health in check. I know the shutdowns are out of your control but I'm at my limit with this government and the shutdowns...get the kids on the ice is my vote, even if its just practices, I don't care, they need something...my son has been off (U9) since the START of November!!!! due to someone on their team having covid, then we had the multiple provincial shutdowns.

Thanks

Kids need to get on the ice. Their mental health is 100% negatively affected. They are not spreading it on the ice.

Games are important and kids need to get back to it. Restrictions that were set up was working, there was no major transmission in youth hockey. They are already in schools and getting closer to each other there.

Kids other sports typically start in earnest in April. Would love to have them active in sports again and would have a slight preference to being able to have a full season in a different sport than restart hockey after having paused for several weeks.

Let it go. The season is a loss. Don't ruin other programs that use city rinks for a continuation of a season that never happened.

Let the kids play games even if that means parents cannot watch within the building.

Let's extend the season to June if needed but be aware of the overlap of athletes playing lacrosse when forming teams

Let's get back ASAP!

Let's get back in the ice! Our children's mental health is important too.

Let's get back on the ice between now and March 31. However, do not disturb spring hockey or other spring sports.

Let's get back on the ice. It is unfair to expect everyone to find a spring hockey program. There aren't enough. Spring hockey can be deferred until the regular extended season is done. These kids need this. My kids will be devastated if it doesn't start back up. Every parent has been positioning this to their kids as a break. It will be a hard blow for them.

Let's get the kids back on the ice!

Let's get the kids back to playing

Let's get this party started as soon it's relatively safe to do so! Thanks for all you're doing to try to get the kids back on the ice!

Let's get the kids back on the ice in any way we safely can and as much as we can.

lets get these kids on the ice. Both practices and games. Extend the season!

Let's go. Our kids need this more than the parents. Mental health and friendships are lifelong and important. However, I do realize how we are under the whims of government and sympathize. But please take this survey as a "strong yes to continue" statistic.

Logistics will be difficult to get fair ice time to fit all games in. Not interested in being at the rink everyday. Somethings and just more important than hockey. Bite the bullet pull the pin on this season and get ready for next year.

Maybe if we just got to practice with our teams. Anything to get back onto the ice.

Might as well just end the season now and start fresh next year.

Might be best to shift the season to end in June.

Mini cohorts are just fine scrimmage games are just fine Practices are just fine Kids will be fine they just need exercise and socializing they do not. Need competition until it is completely safe to do so and everything can resume. Parents need to STOP feeling sorry for themselves because they can't visit and watch the kids play.

More measures need to be implemented I.e. mandatory masking in dressing rooms. We are willing to extend as far back to June/July.

My child is honestly on the fence. While I as the parent am excited, her level is not so much. She loves being on the ice and has enjoyed it but the long breaks have not held her interest or desire to continue unfortunately.

My children only want to return to hockey if they get regular games. They did not enjoy small cohorts and didn't enjoy being being put on isolation due to a team member having COVID.

My concern are fees for a "spring" hockey session if we haven't played any hockey over winter

My daughter is a second year U18 player so this suggestion doesnt affect her but I would like to see hockey Calgary allow players in their final year, the option to return next year as an overaged player. I know players can play as over age but there are a lot of restrictions, I feel with how things have played out this year, we should allow 18 year olds to play U18 next year.

My daughter wants to get back on the ice, but there has to be a significant refund because of the large amount of on- ice time lost this year. Why not keep the cohort model?

My elder daughter is on the verge of quitting hockey after 6 years. If this season doesn't open up again I'm afraid we won't be able to convince her to come back next Fall.

My understanding was that hockey Calgary, hockey Alberta & hockey Canada wouldn't extend the winter season into April and May so as not to impact spring sports like lacrosse, soccer and baseball? If you choose to play spring hockey that's quite a bit different...everyone always talks about how important being 2 sport or multi sport athletes is and it's not always all about hockey? I don't understand why a winter sports program would have precedence?

Need to give opportunity for each individual to make decisions whether to extend season or not. Some have other commitments and some are able to

No comment on COVID restrictions. Sick of hearing about it. Too bad politicians got in the way of kids hockey

Not sure how I feel about a start date. Right now I feel that with the uncertainty and things changing day by day it maybe wise to cancel and work with the different associations with giving refunds or credit towards next season. Not sure about other associations, but Blackfoot raised their fees this year which was silly in my opinion.

Numbers speak for themselves, and hockey should not have been shut down

Of course, our kids would love to be playing hockey. But, it just doesn't seem realistic or responsible or practical right now. Indoor sports does not seem wise :(

One of the players in the family is at the end of his REC hockey years, he turned 20 in October. He would appreciate his time in REC to be extended into next year to allow his hockey years in minor hockey to end on a good note.

Only interested if players remain tiered appropriately on teams and do not return to cohorts of mixed skill.

Organized hockey is an important part of my athletes' development both in terms of sport and social interactions. It would keep them from participating in less beneficial activities.

Our children need to be back in sports ASAP !

Our girls play other sports that start in April, as much as we would like hockey to restart at this point we would rather have a refund for what we couldn't play this season to put towards next year.

Our teams were reset which was already making the experience negative for my daughter - having to adjust to a new team. It's unlikely that if hockey starts it will continue without restrictions or further pauses. With considering the Health risk and what's left in the season, it's a lot of trouble for nothing.

Player 1 - depends if other sports open up Player 2 - already committed to another spring program

Please bring hockey back one of my kids are having a real trouble adapting and hockey is his safe space

Please cancel the season. It just isn't worth the risk.

Please don' ask for any registrations for a possible spring hockey program until final decisions have been made on the current season, including specific information regarding refunds.

Please get them on the ice for the sake of their mental and physical health, and protect the vulnerable population, those over 70 years old.

Please just make a decision so that we can make other plans for activities sooner rather than later.

Please make decisions based on facts and data not political motives. Young healthy people are not at risk and these activities are not high transmission with reasonable adherence to protocols.

Please refund us!!!

Please send refunds back

Priority is to keep everyone safe. Hockey is just a game. The risk of contracting COVID-19 is not.

Prompt decision either way would be preferable to make other plans vs continuing to wait it out

Really appreciate the efforts put in, but overarching we have a preference to keep kids in school vs additional activities.

Really need 3 options for return. I would like to return, but if it doesn't go due to safety that is the right move and I am fine with that.

Refunds should be applied and people can then register for their sports as they normally do. I don't think it's right for HC to compete fully with other minor sports who rely on spring time for their own livelihood. Spring hockey programs are already in place and can be accessed by those who want. Thank you for all the information and updates and for your hard work in sustaining HC during this time.

Safety is number 1. Some of the communication about unhappiness about AHS regulations seems to ignore this. Maybe it's a man association issue, not HC.

Safety of all the players, coaches and volunteers needs to be #1. I have not been impressed by the messaging from the

president as far a Covid safety goes.

Since there has been very limited ice times, its fair to request refund. Thanks

Spring sports start up in April therefore availability would not be there for that month to continue with hockey

Thank for all you have done. Make the best of the unfortunate situation.

Thank you for everything you do Hockey Calgary and all the associations! You're doing great!

Thank you for your support through these challenging times. We all miss seeing our kids on the ice, being on a team and spending time with the team and the parents. Stay healthy and happy. We hope to see you all soon, or in the spring or next season. Dixie and Frank Dayka

Thanks for all the hard work :)

Thanks for doing all this hard work in a difficult year.

The Cohort set up was really good for both of my Kids. I would prefer to at least get back to that structure if it means getting on the ice

The kids need to get back onto the ice, not just for their hockey development, but for their physical and mental well being. They are missing out on so much, and I fear the more we restrict their ability to play, the more we are damaging their well being.

The only thing I ask is to make sure parents and coaches are taking all the safety precautions seriously. This is for our children's development and enjoyment and we can only get them playing if we provide the proper example for everyone.

The risk of Covid to children is as statistically remote as getting hit by lightning. Let's return to normal, and play hockey. There are ways to play the game safely. Kids hockey is not the problem. Let's get back to playing.

There needs to be clear communication and full transparency on refunds to families regardless of what the go forward is. There will not be anywhere close to a full season and the refund n Edâ€™s to reflect the percentage of both missed games and practices as Hockey association has saved a lot of money in diminished costs and this needs to be refunded to families. You also need to factor that a restart will also result in further cancellations due to more COVID positive results.

This experience (effectively no hockey season) has made me reevaluate the "hockey experience" for my kids and family. The cost/reward is out of balance; I'm speaking less about dollars more about the time commitment. As leaders within the hockey community there may be an opportunity for you to explore a new structure that provides the benefit of participating in the great game of hockey at a competitive level; yet places it as part of a diverse and balanced lifestyle, which can be continued into adulthood. Hard choices to make, but opportunities as well.

This is an excellent survey! Questions were very relevant, and I hope they help you in making decisions if the opportunity arises for our kids to get back on the ice. Thank you!

Trails West continues (despite the season being put on hold) to employ a paid Administrator - to do what? This poor decision, and the expense to keep this Administrator on should not decrease the refund due to members for cancelled ice times.

Try to do whatever it takes to get the kids playing again. I think most parents are down for anything. I'd be okay doing what we were doing when the season started, having the kids in their cohort and just playing and practicing with the same kids. Get the kids back on the ice , they need this. Good luck and fingers crossed the Government will lift the restrictions

Ultimately, I think if the hockey season is not extended to make up for the lost months and game times and accurate evaluations, our money should in that case be refunded.

Unfortunately, GHC did a poor job in their response to COVID-19 with the mini-team format originally adopted. This is the biggest influence in not being eager to restart the season at this point. This is from the perspective of the player and coach.

We are already committed to other spring hockey and other spring sports programs. Extending community hockey beyond April is not desirable. I want to be back on the ice right now even if it is only practices or mini 3v3 games.

We are curious as to how the refunds will work for missed time whether the season is cancelled or not.

We are happy to get back to playing, even if it were a practise once a week. We will support whatever decision that the associations make. We appreciate all the hard work that all the organziers have done in this challenging year.

We are interested in pursuing any form of getting on the ice during the regular season, but we have no interest in extending the season beyond early to mid March. This applies for all three of our children in the Hockey Calgary program.

We are missing hockey, whether it be practices, drills or games. The kids need to this for their well being and mental health. The program prior to the latest closure was being well run and each team/cohorts had our children in their best interests.

We are signed up for a spring hockey program but we honestly just want to get back on the ice and whatever way us going to let happen the quickest is what we want!!! Let them play!

We get the restrictions with masking and cohorting were very effective. Our age group had no issues. Particularly for U9 and under - games should be secondary to skill building.

We have already signed our girls up for spring activities. We cannot have the hockey season extended. If it is we should be able to opt out and receive a refund. This is not the time frame we signed up for.

We have one daughter playing Calgary Fire Midget AA . She is totally excited to get back to hockey. Our younger daughter is in first year midget playing with the junior inferno. She has not even met her team mates. Her team was formed just prior to the restrictions that were place in mid-November. So if the restrictions are extended much longer, she won't be too interested in continuing with hockey this year.

We need to get back in the rink!!

We should return to cohort practices and cohort games. Great skill development and kids were happy too.

We would have different responses for different kids. Midget daughter wants to be done if only practices. Bantam son would take practices now and push season into April-May-June if league games permitted.

We would only be interested in continuing the season in cohorts. We were very apprehensive when the plan was too change to playing other associations when the numbers were still high.

We would prefer to return to small cohorts rather than full teams to reduce the number of people our kids are on the ice with. Mini games between cohorts from the same association would be preferred to playing many different teams from other associations just to minimize the number of different people on the ice with our kids. We are excited to get on the ice, but very hesitant, and wish to see smaller numbers and no dressing rooms and similar restrictions.

While I am excited to get back on the ice and don't want the season cancelled, I'm not sure it's that black and white.

While I understand that it has been a difficult year for Hockey Calgary Member associations I believe that Hockey Calgary should consider that kids play other sports in the off season and also that there are many privately owned Spring and Summer hockey programs who have suffered greatly in these times and extending the Minor Hockey Season would further impact those businesses.

Will Hockey Calgary be providing some direction to the associations regarding any possible partial refund? Or is this determined by each association? Given the current situation with COVID and some of the financial difficulties some families may be having it would be ideal if a directive could be provided for all associations to provide a partial refund.

We have 2 kids that may not be playing next year as they would like to focus more on their education so a refund (instead of a credit) would be appreciated.

With Covid 19 cases still fluctuating and more and more people not abiding by current restrictions I can only see the season getting shut down again.

Would like some more interaction and connection with the athletes, just sitting around "waiting" is terrible for the kids mental health. Even if it is once a week, to get them out. Thank you for all your patience, and hard work and efforts in all HC has done !!! Let's keep it going!

Would like to return to hockey skill development and even game play if possible. I'll even take game play with same

association/age group. Just need the kids to somehow get back on the ice! Thank you

Would like to see a refund issued for portion of season not played

would like to see an adjustment in fees for the year.

Would like to see hockey extended into the month of June if it is possible we can keep the teams together and play games.

Would love to see the kids play but only if safety can be maintained at all times.

Would rather a decision to cancel the season than stringing us along every 2 weeks with extended restrictions.

Would rather cancel the season than continue with online training, but would prefer to be on the ice for practice only than cancel the season. However not interested in extending anything much past the end of March.