



FAQ

Rocky Mountain District Evaluation Camp Dr. Pepper Stars Center-Valley Ranch, Irving, TX-May 12-14, 2017

What is The Rocky Mountain District Player Evaluation Camp?

The RMD Camp is part of USA Hockey's player development process. USA Hockey's Youth Council / National Player Development Committee run the national player development camps. The purpose of the national camps is to further develop, educate, and identify national team caliber players from across the country. Each of the twelve districts that makes up USA Hockey conducts a Player Development Camp. The National Boys Camps will be held in Buffalo, NY, and the girls in St Cloud, MN. Complete information about the National Camps including dates, can be found on the USA Hockey Web Site: www.usahockey.com

What is the purpose of the district camp?

There are multiple purposes and objectives of the camp. Players attending will:

- Be on the ice with NCAA College, Junior, AAA, Prep School, USAH National and, sometimes, NHL personnel
- Have the opportunity to measure themselves against the best players in the district
- Be exposed to scouts and higher level coaching.
- Be evaluated and ranked for selection to the gender and birth year specific National USA Hockey Select Camps.

Who is eligible to attend?

All US citizens, whose primary residence is within the Rocky Mountain District (AZ, CO, ID, NM, OK, TX, and UT). The 2017 District Camp is for boys who are born in the years of 2002, 2001, and 2000.

What about Boys born in 2003?

USA Hockey does not have a National Camp for boys born in 2003. Boys born in 2003 are eligible for the Western Regional Multi-District High Performance Camp which will be held in Colorado Springs June, 2017. Players will be selected for this Camp through their State Player Development Camps. For additional information on this camp please see FAQ for the Multi-District camp.

How to I qualify? Where do I tryout?

Each state within the district is given an allocation of available spots at the camp. Each state holds a Player Development Camp where players are selected to advance to the district camp. If your primary residence is within, AZ, CO, ID, NM, OK, TX, or UT then you must go through your affiliate to advance to the district camp.

I go to school and play out of the district. What camp should I attend?

USA Hockey determines player eligibility for camps based upon a player's primary residence (where do your parents pay taxes?). If it is within the Rocky Mountain District then you must tryout through the district process. If you cannot make your affiliate (state) camp then you need to work though the affiliate to arrange to be evaluated by at a camp local to you. You must contact your state player development camp director to make arrangements. Do not attend a local camp unless you have coordinated with your state player development director.

When, where, and how much does the camp cost?

The camp will be held in Irving, TX at the Dr. Pepper Stars Center-Valley Ranch from Friday May 12, to Sunday afternoon May 14, 2017. A tentative schedule will be posted on the RMD website by April 1, 2017. The schedule is subject to change, but the camp start and end times will not change so folks can make their travel arrangements in advance. If making travel arrangements please allow sufficient time to be at on-site registration and enough time to be at the last session for your age group. Players will be released immediately after their last session. The cost of the camp is \$295/player with each player responsible for his/her own transportation, housing and meals. There will be host hotels that all participants will be required to stay at. A link will be sent out with your invite.

What is the registration procedure?

After being selected by your state, you will receive an email from the district through Rocky Mountain Registrars (same as your state camp) giving you directions on how to complete the registration process. Because we have more qualified players wanting to attend the camp than available spots, we will put a deadline on your registering, and, if you do not meet the time line you run the risk of losing your spot. If you have difficulty in meeting the time lines, please communicate with us, and we will help to work it out.

What is the format of the camp?

Each group will be on the ice four times. Each ice session will be a game played against another team from the same age group.

Can Parents attend?

All sessions are open to parents. There are restrictive areas where parents are not allowed (locker rooms, inside the ice area, etc.). There are plenty of areas available from which to view. We ask that you do not enter the restricted areas.

Who may I contact if I have additional questions?

Mark Servaes - Camp Director, <u>mark.servaes@us.nestle.com</u>, 713-204-6066 However, it is strongly advised that your initial questions be directed to your local state/affiliate representative.

Arizona – Geoff Pashkowski-Camp Director, dplusarch@cox.net

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