



Minnesota Hockey

Membership Development Report

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The Minnesota Hockey Membership Development Committee continues to make a significant effort to increase the awareness of and participation in hockey through the utilization of available Minnesota Hockey and USA Hockey growth programs. Here is a recap of some of our efforts.

We are excited to report that we have achieved a fifth consecutive season of growth at the 8 & Under level. According to USA Hockey’s Winter Meeting report, we are currently at **18,667 8U players**, which is up **893 (5.0%) compared to last year** at this time and more than 600 above last year’s final total. That means we will set a new state record for total 8U players for the third consecutive season!

November 4, 2017 - Try Hockey For Free Results

On Nov. 4th, there were 49 sites in Minnesota that hosted Try Hockey For Free Day and a total of 962 participants were reported. Compared to last year, there were six less sites, but we actually had slightly more total participants.

March 3, 2018 – Try Hockey For Free

On March 3rd, USA Hockey is hosting the second Try Hockey For Free day of the season, in conjunction with Hockey Weekend Across America, on the first Saturday after the Olympics. As of January 23rd, Minnesota had a total of 31 associations hosting events at 31 sites, which is four more than last year. Here is a summary of the participating associations by district:

<u>District 1</u> City of Lakes	<u>District 5</u> Sartell Willmar	<u>District 9</u> Austin La Crescent	<u>District 11</u> Two Harbors
<u>District 2</u> Mounds View	<u>District 6</u> Eden Prairie Shakopee	<u>District 10</u> Andover Champlin Park Moose Lake	<u>District 12</u> Ely Hibbing-Chisholm
<u>District 3</u> Delano Orono Osseo-Maple Grove St. Louis Park	<u>District 8</u> Apple Valley Eagan Farmington JCNSP Sibley Woodbury	Mora Princeton	<u>District 15</u> Fergus Falls Northern Lakes Park Rapids Wadena
<u>District 4</u>			<u>District 16</u> Roseau

Minnesota Hockey Growth Grants

The Membership Development Committee has received and reviewed ten applications in the 2017-18 season. Nine associations have been approved for funds through our grant programs totaling \$11,000.