

2018-19 TRAVEL PROGRAM GUIDE

HersheyJrBears.org



The Mission of the Hershey Jr. Bears is to promote, encourage and govern hockey for boys and girls in the Central PA region. We will strive to teach the coaches, parents, boys and girls respect for the concepts of sportsmanship, fair play and ultimately foster a love for the game of hockey, for life!

Welcome Hershey Jr. Bear Fans!

I encourage you to join us for the 2018 - 2019 hockey season! If your child is interested in learning to play ice hockey for the first time or a returning player, we have a spot for you! We welcome and invite you to "Be A Bear"!

Our Youth Hockey Program is registered with USA Hockey and the Delaware Valley Hockey League. We offer programs for a wide variety of ages, playing levels, for both boys and girls! We offer levels to compete from entry level through TIER II AA hockey!

- Learn-to-Play and Learn-to-Skate/ Bear Bites (Ages 4-5 years old)
- Mite (6-8 years old)
- Squirt (9-10 years old)
- PeeWee (11-12 years old)
- Bantam (13-14 years old)
- Midget (15-18 years old)
- Girls (8U/10U, 12U, 14U and 19U)

This brochure provides valuable information regarding the different levels and be sure to visit our website for registration information, updates and all sorts of interesting information! Our Bear Bites and House league information will be available in June. www.hersheyjrbears.org

Players, coaches and managers are required to register with USA Hockey at www.usahockey.com. Registration with the Hershey Jr. Bears can be done through our web site at www.hersheyjrbears.org

The Board of Directors would like to give special thanks to all the volunteers who help make our hockey program a success year after year. Without their support it would be impossible to experience the outstanding achievements we have as a team and as an organization.

Ice Hockey is an exciting sport, and our program strives to play the game with confidence and sportsmanship!

Let's Go Bears!

Yours in hockey,

John Hrabovsky

John Hrabovsky, President
Hershey Jr. Bears



TIER II Travel Evaluations

Mites 2010-2012 – Half Ice

Tuesday March 27th 6:00PM @ Hersheypark Arena

A \$120 (nonrefundable) deposit toward season dues is required at the time of evaluation.

Registration must be completed online and payment made by credit card or by check online with Sportsengine.

Squirts 2008, 2009

Monday March 26th 6:00PM @ Hersheypark Arena

Monday April 2nd 6:00PM @ Hersheypark Arena

A \$350 (nonrefundable) deposit toward season dues is required at the time of evaluation.

Registration must be completed online and payment made by credit card or by check online with Sportsengine.

Pee Wee 2006, 2007

Monday March 26th 7:15PM @ Hersheypark Arena

Monday April 2nd 7:15PM @ Hersheypark Arena

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Registration must be completed online and payment made by credit card or by check online with Sportsengine.

What to Bring to Evaluations

If you are not USA Hockey Registered for 17-18; [USA Hockey Waiver](#) (click) or www.hersheyrbears.org

2018-19 USA Hockey Registration begins April 2 at www.usahockey.com

DVHL Player Agreement; download and print from www.hersheyrbears.org

Copy of birth certificate (only if new to the Hershey Jr. Bears Organization)*

Be 1 hour early for first night of evaluations.

Bantam 2004, 2005

**Monday April 16th 6:00PM @ Hersheypark Arena
Wednesday April 18th 6:00PM @ Hersheypark Arena**

A \$350 (nonrefundable) deposit toward season dues is required at the time of evaluation.

Registration must be completed online and payment made by credit card or by check online with Sportsengine.

Midget 16 - 2002, 2003

**Monday April 16th 7:15PM @ Hersheypark Arena
Wednesday April 18th 7:15PM @ Hersheypark Arena**

A \$350 (nonrefundable) deposit toward season dues is required at the time of evaluation.

Registration must be completed online and payment made by credit card or by check online with Sportsengine.

Midget 18 - 2000, 2001

**Monday April 16th 8:30PM @ Hersheypark Arena
Wednesday April 18th 8:30PM @ Hersheypark Arena**

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GIRLS 10U, 12U,

Wednesday April 11th 7:15PM @ Giant Center

A \$350 (nonrefundable) deposit toward season dues is required at the time of evaluation.

Registration must be completed online and payment made by credit card or by check online with Sportsengine.

Girls 14U, 16U, 19U

Thursday April 12th 7:15PM @ Giant Center

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2018-2019 Girls' Team Info

The Hershey Jr. Bears' Girls hope to field Tier II travel teams at the 19U, 16U, 14U, 12U and 10U levels.

19U Tier II

This team will be composed of the best girl players 19 years of age and younger. This is a full travel team and requires commitment from all players. Included in this fee will be about 25 weeks of practice and 28 games, with participation in the Mid-Atlantic Women's Hockey Association. The fee also includes game socks and a practice jersey. The cost for the season is \$1,750. (Goalies \$1050)

16U Tier II

This team will be composed of the best girl players 16 years of age and younger. This is a full travel team and requires commitment from all players. Included in this fee will be about 25 weeks of practice and 28 games, with participation in the Mid-Atlantic Women's Hockey Association. The fee also includes game socks and a practice jersey. The cost for the season is \$1,750. (Goalies \$1050)

14U Tier II

This team will be composed of the best girl players 14 years of age and younger. This is a full travel team and requires commitment from all players. Included in this fee will be about 25 weeks of practice and 28 games, with participation in the Mid-Atlantic Women's Hockey Association. The fee also includes game socks and a practice jersey. The cost for the season is \$1,750. (Goalies \$1050)

12U Tier II

This team will be composed of the best girl players 12 years of age and younger. This is a full travel team and requires commitment from all players. Included in this fee will be about 25 weeks of practice and 28 games, with participation in the Mid-Atlantic Women's Hockey Association. The fee also includes game socks and a practice jersey. The cost for the season is \$1,750. (Goalies \$1050)

10U Tier II

This team will be composed of the best girl players 12 years of age and younger. This is a full travel team and requires commitment from all players. Included in this fee will be about 25 weeks of practice and 28 games, with participation in the Mid-Atlantic Women's Hockey Association. The fee also includes game socks and a practice jersey. The cost for the season is \$1,750. (Goalies \$1050)

12U/10U/8U Limited Travel

Teams will play house league with the possibility of extra games against other girls' teams and tournament options. These fees and information will be available in the house program guide to be released at a later date.

*Please keep in mind that all girls' teams are subject to change depending on the commitment of players at evaluations.

2018-2019 Hershey Jr. Bears Travel Pricing Packages

Level (Birth Year)	Tier II	<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;"> Fee's Same As Last Year!  </div>
Mite (2010-2012)	\$860	
Goalies	\$520	
Squirt (2008-2009)	\$1650	
Goalies	\$1050	
Pee Wee A, B (2006-2007)	\$1750	
Goalies	\$1050	
Pee Wee AA (2006-2007)	\$2050	
Goalies	\$1300	
Bantam A, B (2004-2005)	\$1750	
Goalies	\$1050	
Bantam AA (2004-2005)	\$2050	
Goalies	\$1300	
Midget 18's (2000-2001)	18 AA players \$2050	
Midget 16's (2002-2003)	16 AA players \$2150	
AA goalies \$1300	A players \$1750	
A goalies \$1050		
PLEASE SEE BELOW for more information on what is included with your dues...		

SAVE UP TO \$100 ON YOUR DUES!

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL Pay your entire season's dues by Check or Cash in full on May 1, 2018, and save \$100 off your dues! (NOTE-Early Bird Special is NOT available for mites, goalies or in combination with multi player discount)

Tier II Mites

Mite 8U

2010 - 2012 Birth Year

\$860 Includes:

Practice Jersey
Game Socks

1 weekly skills session with
Matt Yingst

20 Weeks of Practice
10 Home Games

Mite Coaching Staff

Coaching staff will be determined after evaluations and team placement.

Tier II Squirts

Squirt AA, A, B

2008 - 2009 Birth Year

\$1,650 Includes:

Practice Jersey
Game Socks

1 weekly skills session with
Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice
12 Home Games

Squirt AA/A/B Coaching Staff

Coaching staff will be determined after evaluations and team placement.

Tier II Pee Wees

Pee Wee AA

2006 - 2007 Birth Year

\$2,050 Includes:

Practice Jersey
Game Socks

1 weekly skills session
with Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice
14 Home Games
3 Away Tournaments

Pee Wee A, B

2006 - 2007 Birth Year

\$1,750 Includes:

Practice Jersey
Game Socks

1 weekly skills session
with Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice
14 Home Games

Pee Wee AA/A/B Coaching Staff

Coaching staff will be determined after evaluations and team placement.



Tier II Bantams

Bantam AA

(2004 - 2005 Birth Year)

\$2,050 Includes:

Practice Jersey

Game Socks

1 weekly skills session
with Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice

14 Home Games

3 Away Tournaments

Bantam A, B

(2004 - 2005 Birth Year)

\$1,750 Includes:

Practice Jersey

Game Socks

1 weekly skills session
with Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice

14 Home Games

Bantam AA/A/B Coach Coaching Staff

Coaching staff will be determined after evaluations and team placement.

Tier II Midgets

18AA

(2000 – 2001)

\$2,050 Includes:

Practice Jersey

Game Socks

1 weekly skills
session with

Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice

14 Home Games

3 Away Tournaments

18A

(2000 – 2001)

\$1,750 Includes:

Practice Jersey

Game Socks

1 weekly
skills session
with

Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice

14 Home Games

16AA

(2002 – 2003)

\$2,150 Includes:

Practice Jersey

Game Socks

1 weekly skills
session with

Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice

14 Home Games

3 Away Tournaments

16A

(2002 – 2003)

\$1,750 Includes:

Practice Jersey

Game Socks

1 weekly
skills session
with

Matt Yingst

25 Weeks of Practice

14 Home Games

Midget 16 & 18 Coaching Staff

Coaching staff will be determined after evaluations and team placement.



J. Bruce McKinney Scholarship Fund

Through the kindness of J. Bruce McKinney and other donors, the Hershey Jr. Bears Organization is able to offer limited financial assistance to families who are experiencing financial difficulty. Scholarships are awarded solely on the basis of financial need. The identity and the financial information of all applicants will be strictly protected. Application forms may be accessed on our website. Please note: all scholarship applications must be received by August 31, 2018. No applications will be accepted after August 31st.

Discount on Multiple Siblings

The Hershey Jr. Bears reward a 20% discount on the 3rd and/or subsequent child. Discount will be applied to the lowest dues first. Discount does not apply if you are registering for the J. Bruce McKinney Scholarship Fund.

Goalie Instruction

This season we will have instruction for all Hershey Jr. Bears goal-tenders under the direction of Darren Hersh, owner of The Goalie Academy. A Goalie Academy instructor, Padraig Carey, will be attending on average 1-2 practices a month for your players team.



Skills Development

Our mite, squirt, peewee, bantam and midget teams including Girls will be offered clinics over the spring/summer to continue to develop those age groups.

Details will be available after evaluations.

Terms and Conditions

In addition to the Hershey Jr. Bears on-line registration process, participants are required to enter into a PLAYER/PARENT AGREEMENT with the Delaware Valley Hockey League (DVHL). Players and parents hereby agree to a financial obligation to The Hershey Jr. Bears for 2018 - 2019 season. You must understand that you may not leave The Hershey Jr. Bears to go to another organization without payment in full and a release from The Hershey Jr. Bears. Also understand that failure to pay the player fee according to the payment guidelines set forth will result in loss of practice and/or game ice for your son/ daughter, and subject the player to be added to USA Hockey Non Payment List.

Player Sponsorship

The Hershey Jr. Bears allow its participants the opportunity to solicit sponsors willing to donate a tax deductible contribution to the organization on your behalf in which you receive **70%** of the NET proceeds to reduce your fee. For more information and to download the Player Sponsorship brochure, please visit our website.

The Hershey Jr. Bears are also seeking corporate sponsors for the 2018 - 2019 season. Donations are tax deductible, as HBJ is a 501 (c) 3 organization. For more information on how your company can increase awareness for your business and to help out the Jr. Bears, contact Lori Rich @ lrich@hersheyjrbears.org

USA Hockey Registration

This season, we are requiring our participants to register with USA Hockey. Online registration for the 2018 - 2019 season will be available starting April 2, 2018. All participants must bring a copy of their USA Hockey Registration to evaluations.

NOTE: If your evaluation is prior to April 2, 2018, please download, print and bring the USA Hockey Waiver until April 2 at which time you will need to register for the 2018-2019 season. [USA HOCKEY WAIVER \(click\)](#)

A Step by Step guide to Online Registration:

1. Go to www.usahockey.com and click on the "register online" button.
2. Choose member type Ice Player/Coach.
3. You must be 18 years of age to process a registration...Check the box that acknowledges that YOU are 18 or older.
4. Select the correct season – 2018 - 2019.
5. Follow the prompts...fill in all data correctly.
6. Process payment - Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express (credit or debit card). A Visa gift card will also work.
7. You may print your Confirmation page at this time. It will also be emailed to you immediately after the registration is completed.
8. Once you have received your confirmation email, please forward it to Lori Rich at: lrich@hersheyjrbears.org



HJB Registration

This season, you will only need to register online 1 time. The PeeWee thru Midget level payment plan is based off of the fee of \$1750. If you are chosen for a PeeWee AA, Bantam AA or Midget AA team, the additional fee will need to be paid by August 1, 2018

Hershey Jr. Bears 2018 - 2019 Tournaments

The *Hershey Jr. Bears (HJB's) are once again partnering with Travel Champs (TC) for the upcoming ice hockey tournament season! TC fully markets, manages, staffs and offers the HJB's to play as the host home team! There is literally NO OBLIGATION to the families with a VALUE of \$1295 per team for tournament play!

*Hershey Jr. Bears teams are welcome to participate in all of the tournaments listed below at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE! (*pending your division fills & your team registers before the tournament closes.)

2018 - 2019 Tournament Dates

Labor Day Tournament

August 31- September 1 & 2 2018

Thanksgiving Tournament

November 23, 24 & 25, 2018

Christmas Tournament

December 28, 29 & 30, 2018

St. Patrick's Day Tournament

March 15, 16 & 17, 2019





Returning players will be keeping their current number from last season.

New players and returning players wishing to change numbers will be determined after evaluations. The goal is to give each player the opportunity to choose their number that will stick with them throughout their Hershey Jr. Bears career.

If you are new to the program or need replacements, the Cost will be \$150 for a set of jerseys and \$50 for a shell.

