



Dear Players & Parents,

Once again, it is time to start thinking about high school hockey tryouts. Included in this letter is a brief outline of the selection process for high school hockey in Des Moines and important information regarding the “on-line” registration process we plan to use. Each participant **MUST** register on-line.

High school hockey try-outs will be conducted and reviewed by the Des Moines Youth Hockey Association:

- To be eligible to participate, a player must be enrolled, 9th to 12th grade, in an area high school for the 2019-2020 school year. The MHSHL policy does not allow billeted players to participate in the League.
- Every participant must complete each required registration form and submit their try-out fee before May 12, 2019.
- Siblings of a current Capital or Oak Leaf will be identified during the registration process.
- Coaches for the Capitals and Oak Leafs will submit a list of veteran players who are “protected” by their current team. A player protected by a team is not eligible to be drafted by the other team following the try-out.
- Try-outs will be held Wednesday , May 29st and Thursday, May, 30th 2019 at Buccaneer Arena.
- Capital and Oak Leaf Veteran Sophomore and Junior players will participate in one tryout session with their respective teams. Existing Caps/Leafs Seniors need to register (no tryout fee) but will not participate in the tryout sessions.
- Incoming players will participate in two try-out sessions, one with each high school teams players.
- Following the try-out process, the teams will conduct a draft until their player rosters are filled. Midwest High School Hockey League rules state a team may roster a maximum of 40-players. However, teams are not required to draft the maximum number of players.
- The Capitals have the first draft choice during even numbered calendar years, while the Oak Leafs have the first draft choice during odd numbered calendar years.
- A player must play for the team they are drafted by for the full season.

Important: Registration for the 2019-2020 high school hockey tryouts must be done on-line at www.dmyha.com. Cost for incoming players is \$35, returning players are \$20. **PLEASE NOTE: Both returning players and incoming prospects MUST register on-line.** Registration deadline is Sunday May, 12 at 11:59 pm. You will not be allowed to participate after that time.

Only players who have completed the on-line registration and submitted their try-out fee will be allowed to tryout.

After 9:00 PM on May 26, 2019 a list of each team’s try out rosters and times will be emailed to registrants. The rosters and on-ice session times for each team will also be posted at the *Buccaneer Arena* on the day of tryouts.

All tryouts will be held at the *Buccaneer Arena 7201 Hickman Road, Urbandale, IA 50322*

If you have questions regarding the above information or other items pertaining to the high school hockey program, please contact:

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