TRI CITY EAGLES HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

25-26 SEASON INFORMATION







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ABOUT US & CLUB VALUES |

Who we are...

Founded in 1993, The Tri-City Eagles Hockey Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping young individuals develop as athletes, leaders, and contributing members of the community. For over 30 years, we have successfully accomplished this through our house, travel-lite and elite hockey programs that stress excellence, self-sacrifice and places the needs of the player above all else.

At Tri-City we SOAR with . . .



Treat everyone in a manner that says, **'you have value.'** That includes teammates, other club members, rink employees, coaches, opponents, referees, strangers and most importantly yourself.

Doing <u>the right thing</u>, **especially** when no one is watching.



Made up of two parts, an '**agreement**' and '**action'.** The agreement is what you say you are going to do. The action is doing it.



HONESTY

Beyond just telling the truth and beyond being honest with coaches, teammates and opponents; the game demands you are **always honest with yourself.**

A **thankful mindset** is quintessential to make the most of the opportunities created by the efforts of so many. **Success always finds the grateful hockey** *player.*



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CLUB LEADERSHIP |

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Girls Hockey Instagram	@tricityeaglesgirlshockey		
Facebook	Tri-City Eagles		



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2025 – 2026 TRAVEL CLUB FEES |

	AGE LEVEL	COMPETITIVE LEVEL(S)*	LEAGUE(S)	SKATERS**	GOALTENDERS
YOUTH	8U	TBD	CBHL	\$2,250	\$2,250
	10U	LA	CBHL AHF	\$3,500	\$1,750
	12U	UA		\$3,800	\$1,900
		LA		\$3,800	\$1,900
		В		\$3,800	\$1,900
	13U	UA - CBHL AA - AHF		\$4,000	\$3,000
	14U	AA (NTB)		\$4,250	\$3,188
		UA		\$4,000	\$3,000
		LA		\$4,000	\$3,000
		В		\$4,000	\$3,000
	15U	AA - CBHL AA - AHF		\$4,250	\$3,188
	16U	AA (NTB)		\$4,250	\$3,188
		UA		\$4,000	\$3,000
		LA		\$4,000	\$3,000
	18U	AA (NTB)		\$4,250	\$3,188
		A		\$4,000	\$3,000
GIRLS TRAVEL	14U Girls	А	CBHL & AGHF	\$4,000	\$3,000
	16U Girls 19U Girls	AA (NTB)		\$4,250	\$3,188
		AA (NTB)		\$4,250	\$3,188
	19U Girls	A		\$4,000	\$3,000

Any changes to Level and/or Coaches will be communicated in a timely manner AND is left solely to the discretion of the Tri-City Eagles



PROGRAM FEES OVERVIEW |

Travel Club Fees Cover:

- Practice and game ice costs, league fees, team fees, coach fees, referee fees, tournament fees, and club fees.

Travel Club Fees DO NOT Cover:

- TCE uniform pieces (required)
- TCE tracksuit (required)
- Personal travel
- Optional apparel
- Additional tournaments beyond what the program includes

Payment information:

- TCE utilizes TeamSnap for registrations
- A 20% deposit is due at time of registration to secure a roster spot
- TCE provides a standard payment plan for five installment payments at no extra fee
- Pricing is exclusive of payment processing fees
 - These fees are collected by the credit card processor and do not go to TCE
 - Processing feed can vary depending on if payment is made via credit card or ACH
 - Please note we do not accept cash or payment by check
- TeamSnap offers Regsaver, optional insurance to cover costs of your registration should you child be unable to participate due to sickness or injury
 - Option is available at checkout
 - Program is completely voluntary and not administered by TCE
 - Contact Regsaver directly with questions via their website
 - <u>https://www.registrationsaver.com/youth-sports/</u>
 - TCE is not associated with Regsaver in any way and does not derive any income from this service

For assistance in applying any discounts or additional questions contact <u>treasurer@tricityeagles.com</u>



YOUTH TRAVEL PROGRAM INFORMATION

Tri-City Youth Travel Hockey is a USA Hockey Tier II program. The Tri-City Eagles Travel Program establishes a comprehensive competitive experience that builds upon itself and encourages players to continue to advance themselves, both individually and as teammates. The commitment is substantial with a long season and multiple events throughout the week, all of which are mandatory. It is imperative that participants understand the commitment necessary to contribute both to their individual success as well as their team's.

TRAVEL TEAM ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

All scheduled team events (practices, games, and associated team activities) are mandatory.

Attendance is essential to building a positive experience for both the team and the player. At the end of the day, our goal is to develop young people of quality and that starts with reinforcing the importance of one of our Core Values: Commitment. Making a commitment and following through, despite obstacles, has great value in the long game of life.

Per our club rules, absences are only excused for illness, injury, emergencies, and approved direct conflicts. Note that "direct conflict" is defined as the inability for an individual to physically be in two places at the same time.

All absences must be communicated directly with your coach and/or team manager (through their preferred medium) as far in advance as possible. As an example, make your coach aware of any potential conflicts even before the season schedule is released.

List of Approved Direct Conflict Absences:

- religious holidays
- planned family obligations
 - graded academic assignments (e.g., graded musical performances)
 - note that upcoming graded assignments (tests, projects, exams) do not qualify
 - high school games that directly conflict with practice
 - note that high school games that directly conflict with Tri-City games are not excused

Our goal here is not to make hockey the most important thing in your life. What we are asking is that you put a priority on this commitment and to see it through. We believe teaching this value is essential in the formation of quality young people. Learning commitment is not meant to be easy and must be nurtured and developed.

Again, we're not trying to make hockey the most important thing in your lives but when it comes to making a commitment to play on a Tri-City Eagles travel team, we are asking you to make a mindful decision to create a positive experience for all.



TRAVEL TEAM PRACTICES

Practices begin in August (approximately one weekend prior to first competitive play) and conclude with the final league playoff game (generally first weekend of March).

- Non-NTB teams are not provided practices beyond the first weekend of March
- NTB teams will practice for as long as they remain eligible for USA Hockey Nationals

Girls Travel

- All Teams receive two (2) practices per week
- 14U-19U: Full ice practices provided on a rotational basis

Youth Travel

- 10U-12U Teams receive two (2) split ice practices per week
- 14U Teams receive one (1) split ice and one (1) full ice practice per week
- 16U-18U Teams
 - One (1) split ice and one (1) full ice practice through Thanksgiving
 - One (1) optional and one (1) extended full ice practice after Thanksgiving

Note:

- adjustments may be necessary for weeks with holidays and/or special events.
- weekday practices may be scheduled Monday through Friday in any variation

TRAVEL TEAM GAMES

All Tri-City Eagles Travel teams participate in the Chesapeake Bay Hockey League (CBHL). Youth Travel teams also participate in the Atlantic Hockey Federation (AHF) and Girls Travel teams in the Atlantic Girls Hockey Federation (AGHF).

The CBHL schedule includes 16-24 league game and playoffs for qualifying teams. Most opponents are local, with furthest opponents being Hampton Roads, Richmond, Hagerstown, Easton, and Harford.

The AHF and AGHF schedule includes 16 games and playoffs for qualifying teams. Eight games take place in Showcase weekend format (two showcases with 4 games each) and 8 games are head-to-head with selected opponents (4 home and 4 away). Showcases typically take place in PA and NJ.

Teams also receive two tournaments (exception: Girls NTB Teams receive 3) as part of their game schedule. Tournaments are selected by coaches and are included in registration fees. Under advisement, teams may elect to purchase and participate in additional tournaments.



TRAVEL TEAM ROSTER AND PLAYING TIME PHILOSOPHY

For all Travel teams, it is left to the discretion of the coaching staff to establish lines, positions, expectations, and playing time under the advisement and training of the club.

In regards to playing time at the "A" and "B" travel levels, there will be a primary emphasis on development. Coaches will have the prerogative to play players based on matchups and within the last few minutes of the game. Players are expected to receive opportunities in different scenarios but are not guaranteed equal playing time.

At the "AA" travel levels, development will continue to remain important with an increased emphasis on competition and winning. Coaches will have the prerogative to play players at their discretion. Opportunities must be earned and playing time will not be equal.

Note that coaches are given discretion to make disciplinary decisions, both behavioral and performance based. Coaches are expected to communicate expectations before and after disciplinary decisions. Parents are expected to observe the 24-Hour Rule (below).

TRAVEL TEAM 24-HOUR RULE

The 24-hour rule is a concept where you pause and refrain from making immediate decisions or responding to a situation for 24 hours. This pause allows for more thoughtful processing, emotional regulation, and reflection before acting, which can help prevent impulsive or regretful actions.

At the Tri-City Eagles, parents/guardians are not allowed to confront and/or contact a coach, team official, or referee to discuss any "negative" game or practice situation with the coaching and management staff until at least 24 hours has passed from the completion of the game or practice. SafeSport and safety concerns are exempt. Parents/guardians are expected to use their best judgment.

After 24 hours have elapsed, the parent/guardian may address their concern with the head coach or team manager.

AT NO TIME will a parent/guardian EVER confront a referee. If a parent/guardian has a fundamental issue with how a game was officiated, the parent/guardian will channel said concerns through the Head Coach or Team Manager.

Violations of the 24-Hour Rule will be viewed as a violation of the Parent Code of Conduct and will result in appropriate disciplinary measures.



NATIONAL TOURNAMENT BOUND (NTB) TEAMS

Members of NTB teams are required to participate in all events of the USA Hockey National Tournament process. NTB teams must qualify for each step of this process based on season results; participation in these events is not guaranteed. Only teams declared as NTB are eligible to participate. Dates will be provided as soon as they are available.

For Girls:

- PVAHA Girls Tier II Affiliate Playoffs (local)
- Southeast District Girls Tier II Playoffs (Carolina)
- Girls Tier II National Tournament, March 24-29, 2026
 - 14U = Rochester, MN
 - 16U = St. Louis, MO
 - 19U = Rockland, MA

For Youth

- PVAHA Youth Tier II State Playoffs (local)
- Youth Tier II National Tournament, March 24-29, 2026
 - 14U = Dallas, TX
 - 16U = Irvine, CA
 - 18U = West Chester, PA

Accepting a roster position spot on an NTB team is an agreement to attend all qualified events in the USA Hockey National Tournament process.



REFUND POLICY

- 1. No amount of the total Travel Club Fee and/or Travel Team Fee is refundable, including amounts agreed to be paid pursuant to a payment plan, except as approved by the Hockey Director in accordance with the following:
 - a. The Team player or parent or legal guardian must request, in writing, the refund by stating the grounds for the request and the amount of the refund requested. Requests may be sent to treasurer@tricityeagles.com
 - b. All refunds are subject to a \$50 administrative fee.
 - c. Registration deposit is not refundable for any reason.
 - d. No refunds shall be approved after November 1 of the Team season.
 - e. Refunds approved shall be prorated based on the date of the request and the stage of the season.
 - f. Refunds may be considered for: a move of the Team player's residence to a location more than 100 miles from the Gardens Ice House; or such other extraordinary circumstances as may be approved by the Hockey Director in his sole and absolute discretion.
 - g. The ability of the Team to fill the position and recoup the refunded amount which would result from the loss of the player requesting the refund will be considered and may be grounds to deny a request for a refund.
 - h. All determinations and decisions concerning refunds are final.
- 2. Online registration constitutes an agreement by the parent or legal guardian to pay the Travel Club Fee and Travel Team fee in the full amount without conditions, subject to the refund rules above, including but not limited to the player's termination of participation at Tri-City at any time after registration. This unconditional agreement to pay the full amount applies equally when the parent or guardian elects to pay the full amount in installments on a payment plan and requires the completion of all payments, and completion of all payments will be a condition to Tri-City's release of the player for all purposes including qualification for the player to register elsewhere.



PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

As a parent/guardian at the Tri-City Eagles Hockey association, I am committed to:

- Knowing, teaching, and following all USA Hockey and SafeSport rules and expectations.
- Subscribing to USA Hockey Parent Code of Conduct.
- Following TCE's Rules Of Operation in entirety.
- Holding my player(s) accountable to rules and expectations.
- Supporting the needs of the team through volunteering.
- Having my player(s) attend all scheduled events in accordance with TCE Rules on Attendance.
- Holding myself accountable to rules and expectations.
- Building and empowering a team culture of positivity.
- Treating officials with respect and dignity at all times, especially when
- not reciprocated.
- Exemplifying TCE's Core Values of "Respect, Integrity, Commitment, Honesty, and Gratitude," both on and off the ice.
- Learning the game of hockey from a position of passion and humility.
- Understanding that my greatest responsibility is to develop young people into young adults of high quality.
- Encouraging good sportsmanship through my actions and demeanor.
- Taking pride in being a Tri-City Eagle.



PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

As a player at the Tri-City Eagles Hockey association, I am committed to:

- Knowing and following all USA Hockey and SafeSport rules and expectations.
- Subscribing to the USA Hockey Player Code of Conduct.
- Following TCE's Rules Of Operation in entirety.
- Attending all scheduled events in accordance with TCE Rules on Attendance.
- Holding myself and my teammates accountable to rules and expectations.
- Building and empowering a team culture focused on growth and camaraderie.
- Treating officials with respect and dignity at all times, especially when not reciprocated.
- Exemplifying TCE's Core Values of "Respect, Integrity, Commitment, Honesty, and Gratitude" both on and off the ice.
- Adhering to the coach's rules and being a positive influence in all team activities.
- Learning the game of hockey from a position of passion and humility.
- Understanding that my greatest responsibility is to develop as a young person into a young adult of high quality.
- Encouraging good sportsmanship through my actions and demeanor.
- Taking pride in being a Tri-City Eagle.