

# CAROLINA JUNIOR HURRICANES



**2018-2019 SEASON  
PROGRAM DETAILS**

**TIER I AAA  
TIER II AA  
TIER II A  
Girls**

(4/9/2018)

*Junior Hurricanes*

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**PURPOSE. PASSION. PLAY.**



## I. Introduction

The Carolina Junior Hurricanes/Raleigh Youth Hockey Association (RYHA) is a not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to provide each youth hockey player with the resources and opportunity to reach their full potential. Founded in 1987, RYHA will be entering our 31<sup>st</sup> season serving the Triangle area.

Our program remains highly successful with many players advancing to the highest levels of hockey, including two alumni drafted in the NHL in 2014 and 2017.

We are very proud to continue serving the Triangle area by offering the most comprehensive and highest quality youth travel hockey programs in the Carolinas. RYHA offers programs for area youth ages 7-18. These range from 8U development, Tier I AAA, Tier II A and AA programs and Girls only teams.

The Carolina Junior Hurricanes are excited to introduce its program offerings for the 2018-2019 season. We plan to field up to 25 teams with over 400 players. This document provides full program details. Additional association and program information can be found on our website at [www.juniorhurricanes.org](http://www.juniorhurricanes.org).

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**NOTE REGARDING PROGRAM FEES: All program fees listed in this document as of April 7, 2018 are considered preliminary and are subject to change. Fees will be finalized prior to tryouts in April for Tier I AAA, and in May for Tier II AA/A and Girls.**

## II. 2018-2019 Programs by Tier

The following shows our full line up of programs and teams organized by Tier (competitive level). See [section III](#) for a list of programs and teams organized by age group.

### a. *Junior Hurricanes Tier I AAA*

The Junior Hurricanes will offer the following Tier I AAA teams:

- 11U Pee Wee Minor AAA (2007 birth year) – 1 team
- 12U Pee Wee Major AAA (2006 birth year) – 1 team
- 13U Bantam Minor AAA (2005 birth year) – 1 team
- 14U Bantam Major AAA (2004 birth year) – 1 team
- 15U Midget Minor AAA (2003 birth year) – 1 team
- 16U Midget Minor AAA (2002 birth year) - 1 team

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**b. Junior Hurricanes Tier II AA**

The Junior Hurricanes will offer the following Tier II AA teams:

- 9U Squirt Minor AA (2009 birth year)
- 10U Squirt Major AA (2008 birth year)
- 12U Pee Wee Major AA (2006-2007 birth years)
- 14U Bantam Major AA (2004 birth year)
- 16U Midget Minor AA (2002-2003 birth years)
- 18U Midget Major AA (2000-2001 birth years)

**c. Junior Hurricanes Tier II A**

The Junior Hurricanes will offer the following Tier II A levels:

- 10U Squirt A (2008-2009 birth years) – 2-3 teams
- 12U Pee Wee A (2006-2007 birth years) – 1-2 teams
- 13U Bantam Minor AA/A (2005 birth year) – 1 team
- 14U Bantam A (2004-2005 birth years) – 1-2 teams
- 15U Midget Minor AA/A (2002-2003 birth years) – 1-2 teams

**d. Junior Hurricanes Girls**

The Junior Hurricanes are proud to once again offer a Girls program. For 2018-2019, the Junior Hurricanes plan to field girls teams as follows:

- 10U Select - (2008-2009 birth years)
- 12U Select - (2006-2007 birth years)
- 14U Select - (2004-2005 birth years)
- 14U National Bound - (2004-2005 birth years)
- 16U National Bound - (2002-2003 birth years)
- 19U National Bound - (1999-2001 birth years)

With support from the Carolina Hurricanes and Polar Ice House, the Carolina Junior Hurricanes Girls program will offer our talented young female players a fun and very competitive program that provides for maximum development. See the Girls program section of this document for full details.

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### **III. Program Options by Age Group**

The following summarizes the Carolina Junior Hurricanes 2018-2019 options available by age group.

**a. 10 & Under Squirt – 2008-2009 birth years**

The following Junior Hurricanes teams will be offered for 10 and under Squirt players:

- (1) 9U Squirt AA Minor (2009 birth year only)
- (1) 10U Squirt AA Major (2008 birth year only)
- (2-3) 10U A teams
- (1) 10U Select Girls only

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**b. 12 & Under Pee Wee – 2006-2007 birth years**

The following Junior Hurricanes teams will be offered for 12 and under Pee Wee players:

- (1) 11U Pee Wee Minor AAA (2007 birth year only)
- (1) 12U Pee Wee Major AAA (2006 birth year only)
- (1) 12U Pee Wee AA
- (1-2) 12U Pee Wee A
- (1) 12U Select Girls only

**c. 14 & Under Bantam – 2004-2005 birth years**

The following Junior Hurricanes teams will be offered for 14 and under Bantam players:

- (1) 13U Bantam Minor AAA (2005 birth year only)
- (1) 14U Bantam Major AAA (2004 birth year only)
- (1) 13U Bantam Minor AA/A (2005 birth year only)
- (1) 14U Bantam Major AA (2004 birth year only)
- (1-2) 14U Bantam A
- (1) 14U Select Girls only
- (1) 14U National Bound Girls Only

**d. 16 & Under Midget – 2002-2003 birth years**

The following Junior Hurricanes teams will be offered for 16 and under Midget players:

- (1) 15U Midget Minor AAA (2003 birth year only)
- (1) 16U Midget Minor AAA (2002 birth year only)
- (1) 16U Midget Minor AA
- (1) 15U Midget Minor AA/A
- (1) 16U National Bound Girls only

**e. 19 & Under Midget – 1999-2001 birth years**

The following Junior Hurricanes teams will be offered for 19 and under Midget players:

- (1) 18U Midget Major AA
- (1) 19U National Bound Girls Only

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## IV. Tryouts and Team Selections

All RYHA Junior Hurricanes teams will be selected through a tryout process to be held in either April or May per the following schedule:

- Tier I AAA – 11U, 12U, 13U, 14U, 15U and 16U - April 14-15, 2018
- Girls - May 11-12, 2018
- Tier II AA, A - May 17-20, 2018

Specific times, locations, and fees for each tryout will be announced on the Junior Hurricanes website ([www.juniorhurricanes.org](http://www.juniorhurricanes.org)). The registration links for each age group will be provided in the announcement.

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Players will be evaluated through a combination of scrimmage and competitive skills sessions. These may vary by age group depending on head coaches' preference. There will also be a session specifically for goalies. After the initial scrimmage and skills sessions, there may be a cut to narrow the offer of prospective players for the final scrimmage session.

Team selections will be made both during the initial sessions as well as from the final scrimmage session by an evaluation committee comprised of coaches and experienced independent evaluators. Players selected for a roster position will be notified by email and then called by the head coach.

All roster selections will be finalized the day of the final scrimmage unless otherwise communicated prior to the tryouts.

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## V. Playing up Policy

The following are RYHA restrictions on players playing up to the next age level:

- First year Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget Minor players may not inquire about trying out for their respective Major teams, where major and minor teams are offered. Instead, ***they must be formally asked by the coach or evaluation committee to do so.***
- No second year players will be allowed to play up to the next age level except 16U to 18U.
- Second year Mites (2010 birth year for the 2018-2019 season) are not eligible to try out for Squirt programs. This is per the Carolina Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA) rules.
- Girls Select players may play up or down an age group depending on skill level.
- Second year Girls may play up an age level provided they played in their current organization last season. If not, a petition will need to be filed to CAHA in order to allow a play-up from another organization. CAHA will have the right to decline such petitions.

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## VI. Acceptance

Junior Hurricanes players/parents will be required to complete an acceptance registration within a specified period of time on the final day of tryouts. Please read the *RYHA Travel Roster Acceptance Process and Policy* in [Section XX](#) of this document.

The Junior Hurricanes organization takes the tryout process very seriously and invests significant time and resources to provide a fair and open process in order to select the best possible teams. For this reason, we ask that only players who are serious about playing for a Junior Hurricanes team attend. Our evaluators should be able to focus on players who are serious about playing on the team for which they are trying out.

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## VII. Team Structure

All Squirt A and Girls 10U teams will roster a minimum of 13 skaters and 1-2 goalies.

Squirt AA, Girls 12U, 14U, 16U and 19U teams can roster from 13-15 skaters and 1-2 goalies depending on interest and skill level.

All Pee Wee and Bantam teams will roster teams of 15 skaters and 2 goalies.

Midget 16U and 18U teams will roster teams of 15-18 skaters and 2 goalies.

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## VIII. Season

All Tier I AAA teams and Tier II AA Squirt through Midget teams will take the ice in mid-August. All other teams will take the ice in early September as shown in each program summary.

Seasons will end in late February or early March depending on National-bound status and dates of final season-ending tournaments. See individual program summaries for details.

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## IX. Player Development (PD)

Player development is the cornerstone of our program. Player development sessions will be conducted by our PD staff and include goalie specific training. ***Player Development sessions are considered mandatory practices for all levels.***

Bantam and Midget AA and A programs include PD every other week. All Girls, Squirt A and AA, and Pee Wee programs include weekly PD sessions.

All player development sessions are one hour shared ice practices. The number of sessions and participating teams varies by age group. Each program summary includes the number of budgeted sessions per team.

Player development sessions run from early September through late February and are typically held at the Raleigh IcePlex to take advantage of the large ice sheet.

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## X. Practice and Game Formats

All practices are scheduled for 1 hour of on-ice time. Weekly practice counts and formats (shared vs full-ice) vary depending on age group and competitive level. See program summaries for details.

Some teams may also have 1-2 early-season, 1.25 hour, full ice weekend practices in September.

**Off-ice training:** Tier I AAA teams run off-ice training up to two times per week. Most other levels also incorporate off-ice training into their programs. These sessions are generally run either before or after the on-ice practices. Off-ice training will be coordinated by team head coaches.

All Tier I and Tier II home games are budgeted at 80 minutes of game time with the exception of 15U and 16U Midget AAA which are budgeted at 90 minutes of game time. The number of budgeted home games varies by age and skill level. See program summaries for details. Total game counts listed include home and away league, exhibition, and tournament games.

Tier I AAA game weekends typically are scheduled for a minimum of 3 games.

Girls, Tier II A, and AA league and exhibition games will be scheduled primarily as home-and-home game weekends with two games per weekend. In some cases, we may be able to schedule three games when traveling long distances.

The A program focuses on providing 60% or more of the season's games in town and most away games within a 2.5 - 3 hour radius of Raleigh. Whenever possible, the games will be scheduled so as to minimize travel and overnight stays.

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## XI. Leagues

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All Junior Hurricanes Tier I AAA teams will play an independent tournament and exhibition game schedule.

The Junior Hurricanes Tier II AA teams will play either in the Carolinas Hockey League (CHL) or a competitive independent game schedule. A determination will be made after the CHL census during the summer and will be dependent on the competitiveness of the league.

All Junior Hurricanes A teams will compete in the Carolinas Hockey League (CHL) A Division.

The 10U, 12U, and 14U Select Girls teams will play exhibition games vs. the Polar Hurricanes House League (PHHL) as well as exhibition games vs. age appropriate girls teams. Girls 14U, 16U, and 19U National Bound teams will have options to play CBHL Girls teams, join the CBHL league, CHL boys B division, as well as age appropriate exhibition games vs. other girls teams.

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## XII. Tournaments

RYHA will select and schedule all tournaments. Budgeted tournament counts are listed in the program summaries for each team.

Budgeted tournament counts include any state or regional qualifying tournaments for all District or National Bound teams.

Tier I tournaments and showcases will be selected in order to provide maximum exposure to college and Junior level scouts.

Tier II A and AA teams generally are limited to no more than one fly-to tournament, excluding Nationals. A fly-to tournament is defined as any tournament with more than an 8 hour drive time.

Planned tournaments will be announced prior to the start of the season in August.

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## XIII. National Tournament and Qualification

The Junior Hurricanes 14U Bantam Major AAA, 15U Midget Minor AAA, 16U Midget Minor AAA, 14U Bantam AA, 16U Midget Minor AA, and 18U Midget Major AA teams are considered National Bound.

The Junior Hurricanes Girls 14U, 16U, and 19U teams will be considered National Bound.

All Junior Hurricanes teams that qualify will participate in the USA Hockey Youth National Championship Tournaments at the end of the season. **Acceptance of a roster position on a National Bound team is your commitment to participate in the National tournament if the team qualifies.**

Tier I AAA teams must first qualify for the SE District Tournament by competing in a CAHA Tier I Championship tournament. Winners then advance to the Southeast District Tournament held in early March. The location of the tournament rotates each year between the District Affiliates. SE District Tournament winners then advance to the USA Hockey Tier I National tournament. The qualifying tournament is included in the tournament counts as described in the Tournaments section above.

Tier II AA national bound teams qualify through North Carolina State level tournaments sponsored by CAHA at the end of February/early March. The qualifying tournament is included in the tournament counts as described in the Tournaments section above.

**The 2018-2019 National tournaments will be held in April, 2019 at the following locations:**



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Age Group	Location
14U Tier I	Pittsburgh, PA, April 4-9
15U Tier I	Plymouth, MI, April 4-9
16U Tier I	Grand Rapids, MI, April 4-9
14U Tier II	South Bend, IN, April 4-8
16U Tier II	Plano, TX, April 4-8
18U Tier II	San Jose, CA, April 4-8
14U, 16U, 19U Girls Tier II	Amherst, NY, April 4-7

**Qualifying teams will incur additional costs for practices and exhibition games scheduled in March/April in preparation for the National Tournament.** The additional fee for a National Bound team will be set prior to the end of the season, but is typically in the range of \$225-275 per player for a 17 player roster. The fee will be collected prior to the National tournament and is required in order to participate.

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## XIV. Team Uniform and Equipment

All RYHA players are required to wear Home and Away Carolina Hurricanes replica jerseys and red logo shells. These are ordered at the time of registration and are not included in program fees. Game socks, practice socks and practice jersey are supplied as part of program fees. All will remain the property of the players at the end of the season.

Returning players who purchased the new style game jerseys and shells last season may elect to reuse their jerseys and shells if they still fit and are in good condition (i.e. not torn or discolored). *RYHA reserves the right to require players to replace jerseys and/or shells if they are not in good condition; the jersey and/or shell cost will be added to the fee at the time of registration. If you are a new player or you are choosing to replace the jerseys and/or shells, those will be an additional cost.*

**All travel team members are required to have a team bag and warm ups/jacket. Program fees do NOT include the cost of warm ups/jackets or bag.** Players who played in the Junior Hurricanes program may elect to use their warm ups/jackets and team bag from last season. First time travel players, rising Midgets who require the Midget jacket and those needing a replacement warm up/jacket and/or team bag will be able to order these items through Five Hole Sports.

Off-Ice Uniform: The minimum off-ice dress code for all Midget team players (A through AAA) will be to wear dress shirt, tie, dress pants, and dress shoes to all games and tournaments. Midget players will also wear the Junior Hurricanes team jacket as part of the off-ice uniform. The minimum off-ice dress code for younger players will be to wear their team warm-ups with a Junior Hurricanes T-shirt or white collared polo-style shirt and tennis shoes. Coaches of levels below Midget may opt for the Midget off-ice dress code for their respective teams.

Other Equipment: Players will also be required to have red helmets and gloves. These items are the responsibilities of players/parents and are not included in the program fees. Goalies are not required to purchase red helmets or gloves.

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## XV. Junior Hurricanes Tier I AAA Summary

The Carolina Junior Hurricanes is the premier Tier I AAA program in the Carolinas and the only Tier I program sanctioned by CAHA to operate in Wake County, NC. Tier I AAA represents USA Hockey's highest level of competition and our program continues to attract and engage the area's most talented and dedicated youth players. The Tier I AAA program requires a major commitment by players and parents, both financially and in terms of time. Because Tier I programs tend to be regional, this program involves significant travel.

JUNIOR HURRICANES TIER I AAA						
	Pee Wee Minor	Pee Wee Major	Bantam Minor	Bantam Major	15U Midget Minor	16U Midget Minor
National Bound	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Number of Teams	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ages/Birth years	Minor (11U) 2007	Major (12U) 2006	Minor (13U) 2005	Major (14U) 2004	Minor (15U) 2003	Minor (16U) 2002
Roster Size	15 Skaters, 2 Goalies	15 Skaters, 2 Goalies	15 Skaters, 2 Goalies	15 Skaters, 2 Goalies	16-18 Skaters, 2 Goalies	16-18 Skaters, 2 Goalies
Coach	Andrew Barron	Ryan Gagliardi	Steve Rice	Jimmy Powers	Dean Melanson	Colin Muldoon
Team Selection	April 14-15, 2018					
Season	Mid Aug., 2018 – early Mar., 2019					
Practices	54-56 Sessions (1) full ice and (1) shared ice per week	54-56 Sessions (1) full ice and (1) shared ice per week	54-56 Sessions (2) full ice per week	56-58 Sessions (2) 1 hour full ice/ week	68-71 Sessions (3) full ice per week	68-71 Sessions (3) full ice per week
Player Development	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared / week	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared / week	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared / week	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared / week	10-11 Sessions 1 hour every other week in practice slot	10-11 Sessions 1 hour every other week in practice slot
League	Independent					
Tournaments <sup>1</sup>	6	7	7	8	10	10
Total Game Count <sup>1, 2, 3</sup>	42-46 (9 home)	42-46 (6 home)	46-52 (6 home)	46-52 (6 home)	54-62 (8 home)	54-62 (2 home)
Team Uniform/Equipment <sup>4</sup>	Home/Away Game Socks, Practice Jersey & Socks (included in fees)					
Individual Equipment Reqd <sup>4</sup>	Home/Away Game Jerseys, Shells, Red Helmet, Gloves, Warm Up/Jacket, Polo Shirt, Team Bag (not included in fees)					
USA Hockey Registration	Required – Not included in fee					
Program Fee	\$4,160	\$4,290	\$5,080	\$5,080	\$5,730 (18) – \$5,157 (20)	\$5,730 (18) – \$5,157 (20)
Estimated Travel Cost <sup>5</sup>	\$4,500-\$6,000	\$4,500-\$6,000	\$5,000- \$6,500	\$6,000- \$7,500	\$7,500-\$9,000	\$7,500-\$9,000

1. Tier I AAA tournament count includes Districts and assumes 5-6 games per tournament. Tournament counts do not include Nationals for National Bound teams.
2. Tier I game counts assume an equal number of reciprocal away games
3. Total Game Count above will vary and is not to be considered a maximum guarantee based on actual tournament games and away games.
4. Game jerseys and shells will remain the property of the players at the end of the season and include name bars. Game jerseys, shells and individual equipment required is in addition to program fees. Goalies are not required to have red helmet or gloves.
5. Travel costs are estimated based on past team experience and assume minimal family travel.

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## XVI. Junior Hurricanes Tier II AA Summary

Tier II AA represents the second highest level of competition in USA Hockey Youth. Tier II AA teams, with the exception of the 9U, 10U Squirts and 12U Pee Wee, will compete for the opportunity to advance to the USA Hockey National Championship Tournament in April.

<b>JUNIOR HURRICANES TIER II AA</b>						
	<b>Squirt Minor</b>	<b>Squirt Major</b>	<b>Pee Wee Mixed</b>	<b>Bantam Major</b>	<b>Midget Minor</b>	<b>Midget Major</b>
<b>National Bound</b>	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Ages/Birth Years</b>	Minor (9U) 2009	Major (10U) 2008	Mixed (12U) 2006 & 2007	Major (14U) 2004	Minor (16U) 2002 & 2003	Major (18U) 2000 & 2001
<b>Roster Size</b>	13-15 Skaters, 1-2 Goalies	13-15 Skaters, 1-2 Goalies	15 Skaters, 2 Goalies	15 Skaters, 2 Goalies	16-18 Skaters, 2 Goalies	16-18 Skaters, 2 Goalies
<b>Coach</b>	Patrick Kimball	Shane Willis	Jon Hyrn	David Wright III	Clay Cotie	Rich Shulmistra
<b>Team Selection</b>	May 17-20, 2018 Tryout					
<b>Season</b>	Aug 27, 2018 – Feb 28, 2019	Aug 27, 2018 – Feb 28, 2019	Aug 27, 2018 – Feb 28, 2019	Aug 20, 2018 – Feb 28, 2019	Aug 20, 2018 – Feb 28, 2019	Aug 20, 2018 – Feb 28, 2019
<b>Practices</b>	45-48 Sessions (2) 1 hour shared per week	45-48 Sessions (2) 1 hour shared per week	50-52 Sessions (1) 1 hour shared and (1) 1 hour full ice/week	50-52 Sessions (2) 1 hour full ice/week	50-52 Sessions (2) 1 hour full ice/week	50-52 Sessions (2) 1 hour full ice/week
<b>Player Development</b>	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared every week	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared every week	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared every week	10-11 Sessions 1 hour shared every other week	10-11 Sessions 1 hour shared every other week	10-11 Sessions 1 hour shared every other week
<b>League Schedule</b>	Independent or CHL					
<b>League/Exhibition/Tournament Games<sup>1, 2, 3</sup></b>	32-36 (14 home)	32-36 (14 home)	38-42 (14 home)	38-42 (14 home)	38-42 (14 home)	38-42 (14 home)
<b>Tournaments<sup>1</sup></b>	3	4	4	4	4	4
<b>Team Uniform/Equipment<sup>4</sup></b>	Home/Away Game Socks, Practice Jersey & Socks (included in fees)					
<b>Individual Equipment Req<sup>d</sup><sup>4</sup></b>	Home/Away Game Jerseys, Shells, Red Helmet, Gloves, Warm Up/Jacket, Polo Shirt, Team Bag (not included in fees)					
<b>USA Hockey Registration</b>	Required - Not Included in Fee					
<b>Program Cost</b>	\$3,230	\$3,300	\$3,620	\$3,940	\$3,820 (18) – \$3,438 (20)	\$3,840 (18) – \$3,456 (20)
<b>Estimated Travel Cost<sup>5</sup></b>	\$2,000-\$2,500	\$2,500-\$3,000	\$3,000-\$4,000	\$3,000-\$4,000	\$3,000-\$4,000	\$3,000-\$4,000

1. Tournament counts include qualifying tournaments, but do not include Nationals for National Bound teams. Tier II AA/A tournament counts assume 3-4 games per tournament.
2. Tier II game counts assume an equal number of reciprocal away games
3. Total Game Count above will vary and is not to be considered a maximum guarantee based on actual tournament games and away games.
4. Game jerseys and shells will remain the property of the players at the end of the season and include name bars. Game jerseys, shells and individual equipment required is in addition to program fees. Goalies are not required to have red helmet or gloves.
5. Travel costs are estimated based on past team experience and assume minimal family travel.

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## XVII. Junior Hurricanes Tier II A Summary

The Junior Hurricanes Tier II A program is a travel program for 10U Squirt through 16U Midget Minor players. The Tier II A program continues the Junior Hurricanes' focus on player development and provides good competition while minimizing travel expenses for participating families. This program is an excellent training environment where players can advance their skills. Dedicated players from this program have advanced on a regular basis to the AA and even AAA ranks in subsequent seasons.

JUNIOR HURRICANES TIER II A				
	Squirt	Pee Wee	Bantam (AA/A)	15U (AA/A) Midget Minor
National Bound	No	No	No	No
Number of Teams	2	1	3	1
Coaches	Nagib Ward Emile Hartman	Randy Lee	13U AA Bill Fredenburg / Steve Henley 14U A Terry Hoey 14U A Mark Pugh	Don Hatcher
Ages/Birth years	2008 & 2009	2006 & 2007	2004 & 2005 (Minor only)	2002 & 2003
Roster Size	13 Skaters, 1-2 Goalies	15 Skaters, 2 Goalies	15 Skaters, 2 Goalies	15-18 Skaters, 2 Goalies
Team Selection	May 17- 20, 2018 Tryout			
Season	Sept 4, 2018 – Feb 28, 2019			
Practices	42-44 Sessions (2) 1 hour shared ice per week	42-45 Sessions (1) 1 hour shared and (1) 1 hour full ice per week	42-45 Sessions (1) 1 hour shared and (1) 1 hour full ice per week	42-45 Sessions (2) 1 hour full ice per week
Player Development	20-21 Sessions 1 shared every week	20-21 Sessions 1 shared every week	10-11 Sessions 1 shared every other week	10-11 Sessions 1 shared every other week
League Schedule	CHL A			
League/Exhibition/Tournament Games <sup>1, 2, 3</sup>	34-38 (14 home)	36-40 (14 home)	36-40 (14 home)	36-40 (14 home)
Tournaments <sup>1</sup>	3	3	3	3
Team Uniform/Equipment <sup>4</sup>	Home/Away Game Socks, Practice Jersey & Socks (included in fees)			
Individual Equipment Req <sup>d</sup> <sup>4</sup>	Home/Away Game Jerseys, Shells, Red Helmet, Gloves, Warm Up/Jacket, Polo Shirt, Team Bag (not included in fees)			
USA Hockey Registration	Required - Not Included in Fee			
Program Cost	\$2,390	\$3,280	\$3,150	\$3,350 (17) - \$2,910 (20)
Estimated Travel Cost <sup>5</sup>	\$1,500-\$2,500	\$1,500-\$2,500	\$1,500-\$2,500	\$1,500-\$2,500

1. Tier II A/A tournament counts assume 3-4 games per tournament.
2. Tier II game counts assume an equal number of reciprocal away games
3. Total Game Count above will vary and is not to be considered a maximum guarantee based on actual tournament games and away games.
4. Game jerseys and shells will remain the property of the players at the end of the season and include name bars. Game jerseys, shells and individual equipment required is in addition to program fees. Goalies are not required to have red helmet or gloves.
5. Travel costs are estimated based on past team experience and assume minimal family travel.

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## XVIII. Junior Hurricanes Girls Summary

The Junior Hurricanes are proud to once again offer a Girls program. For the 2018-18 season, we will offer 10U, 12U, 14U, and 16U Girls only teams.

<b>JUNIOR HURRICANES GIRLS</b>				
	<b>10U Select</b>	<b>12U &amp; 14U Select</b>	<b>14U</b>	<b>16U/19U</b>
<b>National Bound</b>	No	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Number of Teams</b>	1	2	1	1
<b>Ages/Birth years</b>	2008 & 2009	2006 & 2007	2004 & 2005	1999-2003
<b>Roster Size</b>	12-15 Skaters/1-2 Goalies	13-15 Skaters/1-2 Goalies	13-15 Skaters/1-2 Goalies	13-18 Skaters/1-2 Goalies
<b>Coach</b>	Michael Wilburn	Keith Gleason/ TBD	Ryan Weber	Jason Dawe
<b>Team Selection</b>	May 11-12, 2018 Tryout			
<b>Season</b>	Sept 4, 2018 – Feb 28, 2019			
<b>Practices</b>	22-23 Sessions (1) 1 hour shared Ice every week	40 Sessions (1) 1 hour shared Ice / Week	40 Sessions (1) 1 hour shared Ice / Week	40 Sessions (2) 1 hour full ice/week
<b>Player Development</b>	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared ice per week	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared ice per week	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared ice per week	20-21 Sessions 1 hour shared ice per week
<b>League<sup>4,5</sup></b>	<i>TBD per age group as outlined below</i>			
<b>Tournaments<sup>1</sup></b>	1	3	3	7
<b>Total Game Count<sup>1,2,3</sup></b>	12 Home (Polar House)	28-30 (12 home)	30-34 (12 home)	45-50 (14 home)
<b>Team Uniform/Equipment<sup>6</sup></b>	Home/Away Game Socks, Practice Jersey & Socks (included in fees)			
<b>Individual Equipment Req<sup>d</sup><sup>6</sup></b>	Home/Away Game Jerseys, Shells, Red Helmet, Gloves, Warm Up/Jacket, Polo Shirt, Team Bag (not included in fees)			
<b>USA Hockey Registration</b>	Required – Not included in fee			
<b>Program Fee</b>	\$1,670	\$2,730	\$2,940	\$3,200
<b>Estimated Travel Cost<sup>7</sup></b>	\$1,000	\$1500-\$2000	\$2000-\$2500	\$3,000-\$4,500

1. Tournament counts do not include Nationals for National Bound teams. Girls Tier II / Rec tournament counts assume 3-4 games per tournament.
2. Girls game counts assume an equal number of reciprocal away games
3. Total Game Count above will vary and is not to be considered a maximum guarantee based on actual tournament games and away games.
4. Girls 10U and 12U games may be a combination of boys house and travel girls teams
5. Girls 14U and 16U games may be a combination of boys travel and appropriate age level CBHL girls teams depending on competitive level
6. Game jerseys and shells will remain the property of the players at the end of the season and include name bars. Game jerseys, shells and individual equipment required is in addition to program fees. Goalies are not required to have red helmet or gloves.
7. Travel costs are estimated based on past team experience and assume minimal family travel.

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## XIX. Commitment

The Carolina Junior Hurricanes Tier I AAA and Tier II AA programs require a high level of commitment from players and their families, both in terms of time and financial commitment. These teams play at a very competitive level with the ultimate goal of advancing to the USA Hockey National Championship tournaments. The program is designed to provide the practice, player development, and game structure to help achieve that goal.

Players who wish to compete at this level must commit themselves to the team and make the sacrifices necessary to help the team achieve its goals. Player's will therefore be expected, with few exceptions, to attend all Junior Hurricanes scheduled practices (on and off-ice), player development sessions, and games. They are expected to work hard at all team events and show their coaches and teammates respect.

Standard team rules will be established and enforced for our travel teams in this regard. If these expectations are not met, playing time will be affected. Player's with excessive absences and/or who abuse team rules may be released from the team.

RYHA and its coaches understand that school and family are very important. We understand that conflicts may arise from time to time that take priority. Provisions will be made in the rules to accommodate some conflicts. We ask, however, that families manage their time and set priorities to limit missed team events, showing respect for the commitment of their coaches and teammates.

While the time and financial commitments are lower than at the AAA and AA levels, Junior Hurricanes A and Girls players will also be expected to make a full commitment to team events and follow team rules.

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## XX. RYHA Acceptance Process and Policy

The following outlines the acceptance process for the RYHA Programs (Junior Hurricanes AAA, Junior Hurricanes AA, Junior Hurricanes A, and Junior Hurricanes Girls). The Roster Acceptance Process and Policy are designed to finalize rosters and bring closure to the tryout process for our registrants as quickly as possible.

The evaluation committee will select the top players for each team plus a group of alternates.

### **Acceptance Process & Policy**

- The evaluation committees at each age group will make the roster selections generally within 2-3 hours from the conclusion of the final session/game.
- Once the selections have been made, players selected will be notified by email and then called by the head coach. Teams will be posted to the website once all players selected have confirmed acceptance.
- **USA Hockey registration for the coming season (2018-2019) is required** to register/accept your position with a Junior Hurricanes team. Please be sure to obtain your USA Hockey registration number in advance of tryouts.
- Parents/Guardians and Players will have 48 hours to accept the position by making their first/acceptance payment online at the RYHA website ([www.juniorhurricanes.org](http://www.juniorhurricanes.org)), unless otherwise posted. The acceptance window begins as of the time the email notification is sent or a verbal offer is given to the player.
- Parents/Guardians may pre-accept a position by completing the Pre-Acceptance form and submitting prior to the conclusion of tryouts. This option is **ONLY** for those members who know in advance that they will be unavailable to register and make their acceptance payment in the specified time frame. You must notify an RYHA Board or Staff member at the tryout prior to the conclusion of the final

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session if you wish to pre-accept. Your credit card/payment information will be taken, and should your child be named to the team, your acceptance payment will automatically be processed once the roster is posted.

- Once on the website, select the “Register Online” option from the Association menu and follow the registration instructions to complete acceptance. Registration for each program will not be available until the final day of tryouts. If you experience problems during the registration/acceptance process, contact the RYHA Administrator for assistance by calling 919-874-7474 extension 1.
- Coaches will automatically move on to their list of alternates if acceptance is not made within the allotted time.

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## XXI. Payment Policy

- a. Fees for all programs must be paid in full.
- b. Any registered player who leaves Raleigh Youth Hockey Association without paying the entire program fee (unless granted release or refund per the Refund Policy) will be deemed as “not in good standing” with RYHA and USA Hockey.
- c. Any member who does not satisfy an outstanding balance from any prior season will not be allowed to try out or register for any Raleigh Youth Hockey program until the prior balance is paid in full.
- d. Extended payment plans due to financial hardship may be requested. Upon receipt of documentation supporting hardship circumstances, the VP of Finance will arrange and approve extended payment plans. Any default on extended payment plan will result in all outstanding fees due in full immediately.
- e. Members with payment delinquencies or returned charges that aren’t immediately satisfied will be subject to immediate suspension from all program activities until the delinquency matter is settled.
- f. RYHA has a recurring billing program for all of its fall season fees. At the time of registration, members will authorize RYHA to charge their original form of payment (credit card) for the remainder program payments per the posted schedule on the dates and in the amounts listed on the RYHA Acceptance and Payment Schedule.
- g. In the event of a dishonored charge, members also authorize RYHA to charge their credit card used in the original registration for any amount dishonored **PLUS** a \$25 service charge for *each* dishonored payment as it occurs.
- h. Dishonored charges due to unforeseen circumstances with the cardholder account (i.e. stolen card, fraud concern cancellation, etc.) will be granted a single grace recharge without fee, provided that replacement payment information is received within 48 hours of return charge.
- i. Non-payment will result in termination of participation in the payment program, and immediate and full participant suspension from the current program until program fees are paid in full.
- j. This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until RYHA has received written notification from the member of its termination in such time and in such manner to afford RYHA a reasonable opportunity to act on it. Cancellation of this authorization shall not terminate any of the member’s payment obligations pursuant to the current RYHA hockey program registration or their authorization to charge their credit card.
- k. Member agrees to pay all program fees according to the Card Issuer Agreement and these terms.

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## XXII. Payment Schedule

The following tables outline the **PRELIMINARY** program fees and payment schedule for the 2018-19 season. The Acceptance/Payment 1 is due immediately after tryouts to confirm your roster position. The remaining payments are due per the following schedule:

Payment	Date
Payment 2 (Pmt 2)	6/15/2018
Payment 3 (Pmt 3)	7/15/2018
Payment 4 (Pmt 4)	8/15/2018
Payment 5 (Pmt 5)	9/15/2018

Junior Hurricanes AAA	Fee	Acceptance Pmt 1	Pmt 2	Pmt 3	Pmt 4	Pmt 5
11U AAA Minor	\$4,160	\$1,040	\$780	\$780	\$780	\$780
12U AAA Major	\$4,290	\$1,074	\$804	\$804	\$804	\$804
13U AAA Minor	\$5,080	\$1,272	\$952	\$952	\$952	\$952
14U AAA Major	\$5,080	\$1,272	\$952	\$952	\$952	\$952
15U AAA (18)	\$5,730	\$1,434	\$1,074	\$1,074	\$1,074	\$1,074
15U AAA (20)	\$5,157	\$1,289	\$967	\$967	\$967	\$967
16U AAA (18)	\$5,730	\$1,434	\$1,074	\$1,074	\$1,074	\$1,074
16U AAA (20)	\$5,157	\$1,289	\$967	\$967	\$967	\$967

Junior Hurricanes AA	Fee	Acceptance Pmt 1	Pmt 2	Pmt 3	Pmt 4	Pmt 5
9U AA Minor	\$3,230	\$1,294	\$484	\$484	\$484	\$484
10U AA Major	\$3,300	\$1,320	\$495	\$495	\$495	\$495
12U Pee Wee AA	\$3,620	\$1,448	\$543	\$543	\$543	\$543
14U Bantam Minor AA	\$3,150	\$1,262	\$472	\$472	\$472	\$472
14U Bantam Major AA	\$3,940	\$1,576	\$591	\$591	\$591	\$591
16U AA (18)	\$3,820	\$1,528	\$573	\$573	\$573	\$573
16U AA (20)	\$3,438	\$1,378	\$515	\$515	\$515	\$515
18U AA (18)	\$3,840	\$1,536	\$576	\$576	\$576	\$576
18U AA (20)	\$3,456	\$1,384	\$518	\$518	\$518	\$518

Junior Hurricanes A	Fee	Acceptance Pmt 1	Pmt 2	Pmt 3	Pmt 4	Pmt 5
10U Squirt A	\$2,390	\$958	\$358	\$358	\$358	\$358
12U Pee Wee A	\$3,280	\$1,312	\$492	\$492	\$492	\$492
14U Bantam A	\$3,150	\$1,262	\$472	\$472	\$472	\$472
15U Midget AA/A (17)	\$3,380	\$1,352	\$507	\$507	\$507	\$507
15U Midget AA/A (20)	\$2,867	\$1,147	\$430	\$430	\$430	\$430



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Junior Hurricanes Girls	Fee	Acceptance Pmt 1	Pmt 2	Pmt 3	Pmt 4	Pmt 5
10U Girls Select	\$1,670	\$760	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250
12U/14U Girls Select	\$2,730	\$1,094	\$409	\$409	\$409	\$409
14U Girls	\$2,940	\$1,176	\$441	\$441	\$441	\$441
16U/19U Girls	\$3,200	\$1,280	\$480	\$480	\$480	\$480

## XXIII. Discounts and Financial Aid

RYHA will continue to offer discounts for siblings and payment in full. If you have more than one child registered in a Junior Hurricanes/Ryha program, RYHA will discount the fees by \$200 each for the second and subsequent registered child. The discount is applied to the final payment. We will also offer an additional 2% discount for payment in full at acceptance.

The Junior Hurricanes have once again applied for Kids 'N Community Funds. Historically, the Kids 'N Community Foundation has been very generous to the program with grants that have enabled us to help members needing financial assistance to participate in our programs. We hope to know exactly what the award for the 2018-19 season will be by the end of April. Applications for financial aid are available on the Junior Hurricanes website.

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## XXIV. RYHA Refund Policy

- a. All program tryout fees are not refundable or transferable under any circumstances.
- b. Once a position on a team is accepted, the parent or the legal guardian assumes financial responsibility for the entire season fee.
- c. Program fees are non-refundable. Also, program fees are non-transferable from season to season. An exception to the non-refundable policy is a prorating of unused fees for a season-ending injury (medical refund) prior to December 31. At our discretion, and under certain circumstances, transfers or refunds may take place.
- d. Financial aid is non-transferable from program to program. A separate request must be made for another program.
- e. After registration, each member has a 72 hour "Right of Rescission" that must be submitted in writing to the Administrator within 3 days of payment, upon which full refund will be granted, less applicable \$50 administration fee.
- f. Program fees will not be refunded for any player who accepts a position on a team, and then opts for another organization/team thereafter other than as noted in the **RYHA 16U/18U AAA Jr. Hurricanes Refund Policy** (see below). Releases will not be granted until member balances are satisfied in full.
- g. The Board of Directors will review requests for medical refund requests. All refund requests must be made in writing to the VP of Finance and have physician documentation supporting suspension or termination of season. Refunds granted will be a pro-rata portion of the season for time missed.
- h. In all cases, a \$50 administration fee will be charged for any program refund, and \$10 for a camp/clinic refund.
- i. In no case will greater than 75% of any program fee be refunded.
- j. No refund requests will be considered past **December 31**.
- k. The Board may also review requests for refunds for other extraordinary circumstances at their discretion.

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## XXV. RYHA 16U/18U AAA Jr. Hurricanes Refund Policy

RYHA recognizes that players at the 16U/18U AAA level are sometimes presented with opportunities for a higher level of competition after tryouts are held and players have committed to an RYHA Jr. Hurricane team. RYHA has added an additional Refund Policy amendment specifically for these players as follows:

- a. Should a member be accepted into the program for one of the following leagues, members will be granted refunds for fees paid up to, and including, July 15:

### USA Leagues

USHL  
NAHL  
EJHL (excluding EJHL South)

### Canadian Leagues

CHL  
CJHL

**RYHA will not issue refunds for any other leagues.**

- b. All refund requests must be made in writing to the RYHA VP of Finance. Upon review, and confirmation of the member's inclusion on the new team, a full refund of fees paid up to the date of the refund request will be granted, less an applicable \$50 administration fee.
- c. No refund requests will be considered past **July 15**, except as per the RYHA Refund Policy.
- d. A refund will only be given for equipment/warm-ups not received by the member at the time of the refund request. Members will not get a refund for equipment/warm-ups already issued to them.

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## XXVI. Document Change Log

Document Date	Section Revision	Change Summary
3/31/18	DH	V1
4/4/18	SH	V2
4/9/18	DH	V7
5/1/18	DH	V8
5/10/18	DH	V9 – Fee correction / updates

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