

## **To: Parents of Blaine Youth Hockey Association Players**

This letter is in regards to the **Skaters Keep Achieving Through Education** program, also know as S.K.A.T.E. The program is designed to reward players for staying dedicated to their schoolwork while balancing their time commitment of playing hockey.

Players receiving a grade point average of 3.0 or higher are eligible to participate in S.K.A.T.E. The goal of the program is to show players that their performance off the ice is more important than their performance on the ice. You can find out more about the program at: [skatetoachieve.com](http://skatetoachieve.com).

Blaine Youth Hockey feels this is an important program to support and the association goes to great lengths to celebrate our players educational achievements. We hope it reminds players of their priorities and gives them something to strive for. Recognition is given in several ways: on the BYHA website, presentation of a certificate of achievement and eligibility to participate in the S.K.A.T.E. celebration held in the spring. Information about the event and those who qualify will be listed on [byha.org](http://byha.org), so please check it often.

Each traveling team has a S.K.A.T.E. representative who is part of a larger committee. This group helps plan, organize and execute the big event. While the Blaine Youth Hockey Association donates a substantial amount of money to assist in funding the event, we also rely on monetary and prize donations from local businesses to make the program a success.

The committee can use the help of the entire BYHA membership to help with program. Please talk to friends and family who own businesses about how they can donate to the program. You may also make a personal prize or monetary donation. Please contact your team S.K.A.T.E. representative with questions or donation information. Other support opportunities may also be available in the future, please stay connected with [byha.org](http://byha.org).

Thank you for your help.

Jessica Villa, S.K.A.T.E. Coordinator & The S.K.A.T.E. Committee Members

**BYHA 2016-2017 S.K.A.T.E. PROGRAM  
ELIGIBILITY SUBMISSION FORM**

**ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS:** Girls U10-U15, Squirts, Peewees, Bantams, U16 & Jr. Gold

**S.K.A.T.E. PROGRAM CRITERIA:**

- Student athletes graded on the charts below must have a grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or above; or a GPA of 2.5 or above for the District 11 Elementary 1-4 grading system.
- Special education students may qualify with a letter from their case manager stating they showed above average performance.
- Grades will be utilized from the time period(s) that closely aligns with the 2016-17 hockey season.
- All grades received during the designated grading period must be used to determine GPA.
- No incomplete grades are allowed during the designated grading period. If a student receives an "F" or "Incomplete," they do not qualify for S.K.A.T.E.
- Report cards will be utilized to determine GPA, but S.K.A.T.E. respects individual privileges for privacy; verification of GPA is done at the local association level.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Clearly fill out the information and GPA calculations below
- ***Completed forms & report cards are due in a sealed envelope to your S.K.A.T.E. rep by: February 1<sup>st</sup>***
- Check the list of eligible players once posted on the BYHA website for eligibility and accuracy

**T-SHIRT SIZE** (*circle one*):    **YL**    **YXL**    **AS**    **AM**    **AL**    **AXL**    **AXXL**

**PLAYER NAME** (*print*): \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL GPA** (*use charts below to calculate*): \_\_\_\_\_

**LETTER GRADING SYSTEM**

A+ 4.333	C 2.000	HS Honors Class A 4.333
A 4.000	C- 1.667	HS Honors Class A- 4.000
A- 3.667	D+ 1.333	HS Honors Class B+ 3.667
B+ 3.333	D 1.000	HS Honors Class B 3.333
B 3.000	D- 0.667	HS Honors Class B- 3.000
B- 2.667	NC 0.000	HS Honors Class C+ 2.667
C+ 2.333		HS Honors Class C 2.333

*\*other grade values are the same as listed on left*

For each class, list the points that correspond with the letter grade for that class. Total all the points together and then divide by the total number of classes. This should give you a number between 0 and 4.333. **Students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher qualify for the S.K.A.T.E. program.**

*\*Please note for those students attending Roosevelt Middle School, Pathways is not to be included in figuring out GPA. This is not computed in the GPA by the schools.*

Class	Tri/Qtr1 Credits	Grade	Points	Tri/Qtr2 Credits	Grade	Points	Total Credits	Total Points	GPA
<b>TOTAL:</b>									
<b>GPA (total point value ÷ total number of grades):</b>									