



Minor Hawks Pre-Hockey Program

One Goal...One Kid at a Time

Fun And Skills... .. the right place to start... .. Ages 4-12

About the Program

Pre-Hockey/Learn to Skate classes are structured so your child will have the opportunity to learn the basics of hockey from experienced professional instructors in an atmosphere that is relaxed, non-competitive and fun to learn. No skating or hockey experience is needed. Classes with Pre-Hockey/Learn to Skate programs concentrate on skating basics and confidence building.

Our hockey program prides itself on the quality of our coaching staff. Our program makes it a priority to train our coaches to ensure your child receives the best coaching instruction available.

Upon completion of our Pre-Hockey program, it is our goal to have prepared your child to be ready to join a team. Your child may then enjoy the excitement of playing on a hockey team with children of his or her own age. Evaluation will take place on final class to determine if your child should return to another Pre-hockey class or move up to a house league team.

Equipment

Because our classes are instructional in nature, we do not require complete hockey equipment. We do require your child wear a HECC approved hockey helmet with face-mask, hockey elbow pads, shin pads, hockey gloves, jersey and has a hockey stick. Rental skates are available to rent for three dollars but purchasing a correctly sized quality skate is of great benefit to the skater. We do have a limited number of starter packages available for \$126.00. Each starter pack includes everything except skates and a hockey stick. Please contact the Edge Customer Service Desk at (630) 766-8888 to schedule a fitting. Fittings take place Mon-Fri between 9 am and 5 pm. Hockey sticks are also available for \$13.50. Please pay for equipment by check only to the Chicago Blues Hockey Club.

Volunteers Wanted

Dad's and Mom's - We want you! Do you enjoy working with children? If so, don't be afraid to come and help out. Enthusiasm and support are all

that is required. We will provide you with the rest.

If you are interested in assisting our regular staff of instructors please indicate on the online registration that you are interested in coaching. Coaching credits are available. Thank you for your help and support of our program.

2018 Season Summer Session

Wednesdays
June 6 - July 25
5:00 pm Edge on Jefferson West
Cost: \$77

**No class on July 4th*

Registration

Information for this program can be found on the Chicago Blues website at www.chicagoblueshockey.org after clicking on the MinorHawks tab. To register, please click on the register and pay tab and follow the necessary steps. Please register for class at least one week prior to the start of the first class. No walk up registration will be permitted.

Facility

We are located at the Edge Ice Arena in Bensenville. We pride ourselves on providing clean, well maintained locker

Edge Ice Arenas
735 East Jefferson Street
and
545 John Street
Bensenville, IL 60106



For more information please
visit the Chicago Blues
website at
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rooms and a well lit, professionally run facility. The address of the facility is 735 E. Jefferson Street, Bensenville, IL 60106. The main number for the Edge Ice Arena is (630) 766 - 8888.

Philosophy

Fun and skills make up the foundation of our program. Although many players develop at different rates, we believe that every player has the potential to be great and to maximize his/her hockey playing experience through a perfect balance of fun games and skills training. Our training staff will be following the Long Term Athletic Development Model guidelines. Our objective is to provide a fun, family based environment designed for each child to develop a sense of self confidence, to promote fair play, to meet new friends and to develop a life-long interest in this great sport.



Other Useful Information

Developing strong skating fundamentals is a factor of repetition. Our staff encourages an abundance of varied skating activities to ensure solid skating technique. Other cost effective ways to help foster fun and development are roller-blading and drop in programs at the Edge such as Public Skating and the Stick and Helmet program. For more information on Public Skating and Stick and Helmet please call the Edge Ice Arenas at (630) 766 - 8888.