



Pee Wee Development Program Overview

Purpose of the Program

To provide programming to athletes who are seeking a higher level of development and competition while still engaging in WMHA's house league hockey program.

Focus of the Program

While continuing to fulfill the mandates of Hockey Canada and BC Hockey, the Pee Wee Development Program aims to focus on these five elements

- Increased and improved development
- Increased physical literacy and on ice creativity
- Teaching more in-depth systems and components of the game ie.) Positional play
- Exposure to competition outside of the Territory
- Continued nurturing of respect and positive attitudes toward all aspects of life through the game of hockey

Program Summary

- All Pee Wee Development players will play on a Pee Wee house league team
- The initial Pee Wee Development roster will consist of approx. 16 skaters and 2 goaltenders
- The roster may increase to 18-20 skaters by Christmas break depending on skill level and improvement of prospective players

Program Eligibility

- Following house league evaluations, all Pee Wee house league players will be invited to attend tryouts for the Pee Wee Development team
- The players will be evaluated based on WMHAs Tryout and Evaluation criteria
- Number of tryout skates will depend on the number of players trying out for the Pee Wee Development team

Program Structure

- Pee Wee Development team will have one additional ice time per week
- Pee Wee Development team will take part in local exhibition games starting in October
- Team will attend +/- 2 out of town tournaments per season with all players on the development roster invited to play in at least one (1) of these tournaments

Costs

*Participation in the Pee Wee Development program will come at an additional cost to cover additional ice, tournament entries and player/parent travel. Families will be given the opportunity to fundraise in an attempt to offset these costs. *All development players are expected to have a WMHA tracksuit*