



## Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Youth Hockey

**Q – How long does the hockey season last?**

**A – SYHL Fall/Winter season starts in September and ends in April.**

**A – HP High School Junior Varsity season starts in October and ends in March.**

**A – SYHL Spring/Summer season starts in May and ends in August.**

**A – HP High School Varsity season starts in March and ends in May.**

**Q – Is gear required for a skating class?**

**A – No, full hockey gear is not required for a skating class. However, a helmet (with or without face cage,) shin/knee pads, and thick winter gloves are recommended.**

**Q – When are tryouts for the club hockey teams?**

**A – Dates may vary but typically, the Girls teams hold tryouts in June, the Tier (AAA/AA) teams hold them in July, and the Travel (A/B) teams have their tryouts in August.**

**Q – Do I need to have my own equipment to play hockey? Can I rent hockey equipment?**

**A – Yes, you do need to have your own equipment to play hockey. No we do not rent gear. We do, however, rent skates for public session skating.**

**Q – Does my child need to know how to skate in order to take a hockey class?**

**A – Yes, a child should have a basic skating foundation before they enroll in a hockey class. They need to be able to move around, turn, and stop on their own before they learn stick skills.**

**Q – Does one need to wear full gear for Gretzky Hours and/or drop-in hockey?**

**A – Yes, full gear is required.**

**Q – Do goalies have to pay for Gretzky Hours and/or drop-in hockey?**

**A – Goalies are free for drop-in sessions, but they do have to pay full price for Gretzky Hours.**

**Q – Where can I buy hockey gear?**

**A – Our pro shop sells a full range of hockey gears and accessories.**

**Q – If I play in a league or am enrolled in a program, do I get a discount in the pro shop?**

**A – Yes, all participants in a Sharks Ice hockey program get 10% percent off in the pro shop.**

**Q – If I play in a league or am enrolled in a program, do I get to skate public session for free?**

**A – No, all hockey league and program participants must pay full price for public session.**

**Q – Where can I find private instruction for my child?**

**A – A list of private instructors is available under the skating lessons tab of our website?**