



July 21, 2011

To All Potential BHS Bronco Hockey Players:

I am pleased to announce the 2011-12 BHS Hockey Program. Last year at this time we entered the season with a new coaching slate and the idea that the season would be a rebuilding one. The player letter had the phrase TEAM and COMMITMENT repeated throughout. We talked about working harder, training harder and playing as a team better than our competition. The goal was to compete in a rebuilding year by being a better team each and every day we stepped onto the ice versus the teams we were playing against. And the results were nothing short of remarkable. We held top ten rankings in both Varsity and Junior Varsity, a feat matched by only three other programs. In many polls we were regularly mentioned in the Top Five of the state at both levels. Our Junior Varsity team went on to win the Scholastic Cup and our Varsity Team finished as runner-ups in the Scholastic Cup. The list of accomplishments are too long to list but it is safe to state that Barrington High School Hockey continues to be the program that delivers every year through players committed to each other and to the systems taught by our outstanding coaching staff.

We have excellent depth in our organization this year and our expectations are significantly higher. Our coaching staff believes that this year is one in which we can achieve any goal our teams commits themselves to. But there are no shortcuts. To get what has been talked about for years requires every player to “grab a shovel and help”. Many of the players in our club this year have been in our system now for five plus years. Make no mistake about it – that will make a big difference this year. Many of our players have won championships at the High School level – knowing what it takes to make it “all the way”.

As always, we like to have a few words that we model our season around. This year, the coaching staff has settled on this:

Every Play. Every Puck. Every Battle.

It is that simple. From when we start to when we end, we can take no time off. We will work as hard as we can to live up to that motto. To be the team we can be this year, each player has to be able to look at each other and look at the coaching staff and be able to say they gave everything they had every time they were on the ice and in every second of training.

The Barrington High School Broncos Hockey 2011-2012 Program Information is as follows:

NHL STYLE TRAINING AND SELECTION CAMP

The **Tryout and Conditioning Camp** will begin on Monday August 15th. The exact schedule is as follows:

BHS 2011-12 PRESEASON TRAINING CAMP SCHEDULE					
Monday	15-Aug	New Players		9:50am	11:20pm
		Returning Players		11:30pm	1:00pm
		New Players		2:20pm	3:50pm
		Returning Players		4:00pm	5:30pm
Tuesday	16-Aug	New Players		9:20am	10:50am
		Returning Players		11:00am	12:30pm
		Juniors & Seniors		1:40pm	3:10pm
		Freshmen/Soph		3:20pm	4:50pm
NEW GROUPS POSTED 6:00PM BSHOCKEY.COM					
Wednesday	17-Aug	Grp 1		11:00am	12:30pm
		Grp 2		12:40pm	2:10pm
		Grp 2		7:20pm	8:50pm
		Grp 1		9:00pm	10:30pm
Thursday	18-Aug	Grp 2		9:30am	11:00am
		Grp 1		11:10am	12:40pm
		Grp 1		6:10pm	7:40pm
		Grp 2		7:50pm	9:20pm
Friday	19-Aug	Grp 1		9:50am	11:20pm
		Grp 2		11:30pm	1:00pm
		Grp 1		2:20pm	3:50pm
		Grp 2		4:00pm	5:30pm
Saturday	20-Aug	Grp 1		12:00pm	1:30pm
		Grp 2		1:40pm	3:10pm
		Grp 1		3:20pm	4:50pm
		Grp 2		5:00pm	6:30pm
Sunday	21-Aug	Grp 2		3:30pm	5:00pm
		Grp 1		5:10pm	6:40pm
		Grp 2		6:50pm	8:20pm
		Grp 1		8:30pm	10:00pm
Monday	22-Aug	None	Last day of summer vacation		
Tuesday	23-Aug	None	First day of school		

Wednesday	24-Aug	Grp 1		7:20pm	8:35pm
		Grp 2		8:45pm	10:00pm
Thursday	25-Aug	None			
Friday	26-Aug	Grp 1		3:20pm	4:20pm
		Grp 2		4:30pm	5:30pm
Saturday	27-Aug	Grp 1		12:00pm	1:30pm
		Grp 2		1:40pm	3:10pm
Sunday	28-Aug	TEAM SELECTIONS POSTED AT 11AM			
		BSHOCKEY.COM			
Sunday	28-Aug	MANDATORY ALL PLAYERS & PARENTS			
		5:00pm	Varsity Team Meeting		
		5:45pm	Varsity Team Outfitting		
		6:15pm	JV Team Meeting		
		7:00pm	JV Team Outfitting		

This is a mandatory camp and all players interested in playing for the BHS Broncos must attend all sessions of the tryout unless excused by the Hockey Director in advance of the first tryout session except for cases of illness or injury. Approved absences will be very limited. However, as a Barrington HS program and as a designated Winter Sport, we do not require attendance of a player at sessions where a Fall BHS Sport is holding either tryouts or training sessions. That is our agreement with the high school and we support it 100%. But, exemption from any BHS Hockey Tryout and Conditioning Camp session for in-season sport conflicts will only be granted for the times that a scheduled time of a fall sport activity (game or practice) conflicts with the actual times of a BHS Tryout Camp activity. The purpose of the requirement that all players attend all sessions is that this is a Training and Tryout Camp – every day is part of a tryout - and the goal is to give all players an equal opportunity to display their talents as an individual player and as a team member under similar physical and length of camp conditions.

The tryout camp has many sessions to it and most days have two-a-day sessions similar to that held in every professional tryout camp. We will have session led by Yevgeny Martynov, Gino Cavalinni and Greg Tam to see different training methods. As always, our practices, including tryouts, are closed to any person except the coaching staff and players. If you do not drive, please make arrangements for your parents or guardians on drop off and pick up at the rink.

The Training and Conditioning Camp is a very challenging program. You should be training on your own this summer in addition to any ice training you can get. Please come to camp prepared for the challenge. The coaching staff will know by the shape you are in who is committed themselves to the team and the teammates. There is nothing more telling than to see who came to the first day of tryouts ready for the challenge and who did not. Each of you are old enough now to know what it takes to make it through a very tough 25+ hours of a training

camp. If anyone needs help in designing a program from now until the camp, please contact me and I will set out a staged ladder program for you so that you come to camp in shape and prepared for the challenge.

TEAM SELECTION

The 2010-11 BHS Hockey rosters for the Varsity and Junior Varsity teams will be posted on the website (link: bhshockey.com) on

SUNDAY AUGUST 28th by no later than 11AM

We will have an all team meeting that Sunday evening beginning at 5:00pm for Varsity Players and 6:15pm for Junior Varsity players. You **MUST** have at least one parent or guardian attend the meetings. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

At the individual team meetings, the following items will be handled:

1. Roster Signing
2. Player Fee Payment and Payment Arrangements
3. Equipment Fee Payments
4. Team Outfitting Final Sizing
5. Player Number Assignment
6. Jersey Distribution
7. Practice Jersey Distribution
8. Player Sock Distribution
9. Additional BHS Hockey Spirit Wear ordering

We will have a slightly altered practice schedule for the two days following team selection as follows:

Monday	29-Aug	Varsity	3:20pm	4:20pm	Spin
		JV	3:20pm	4:20pm	Practice
		Varsity	4:30pm	5:30pm	Practice
		JV	4:30pm	5:30pm	Spin
Tuesday	30-Aug	Varsity	3:20pm	4:50pm	Practice
Wednesday	31-Aug	Varsity	7:30pm	9:00pm	Practice
		JV	9:10pm	10:40pm	Practice
Friday	2-Sep	Varsity	3:20pm	4:20pm	Practice
		JV	3:20pm	4:20pm	Spin
		Varsity	4:30pm	5:30pm	Spin
		JV	4:30pm	5:30pm	Practice
Saturday	3-Sep	Off			
Sunday	4-Sep	Off			
Monday	5-Sep	Off			
Regular Practice Schedule begins Tuesday September 6th					

VERY IMPORTANT:

The Barrington High School Hockey Club is a high school sport and we will be treating it as such at all times. You as players need to understand this is your decision to try-out and your decision to want to be on this team. In some cases, this will be a big change for your parents if they are new to our program and also for some returning parents. Parents are and will be encouraged to support the teams with positive enthusiasm in all circumstances. However parents are not being selected to any of our teams – only players are. The Hockey Director and Coaching Staff has made a decision that for the best interests of the program and its goals that we will not discuss any issues on team selection, team placement, and/or playing time with your parents or guardians at any time. We will, however, discuss those issues with you, the player, directly should you have a question or desire an understanding of a decision we made. You will need to contact me to schedule a Hockey Director – Player meeting on any such issue and I will schedule a mutually convenient time to meet. You can expect that meeting typically within a week of a request. Coach McPartlin and Coach Sarauer will be asked to attend as well.

THE COACHING STAFF WILL NOT DISCUSS ANY SUCH DECISIONS WITH PARENTS OR GUARDIANS OF A PLAYER. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Decisions on player selections, team placement, playing time, position placement are made by the Coaching Staff with many factors in mind. It is the goal of the Coaching Staff this year to select teams and to select players to those teams that want to be there for themselves, who are “on board” with our philosophy and who based on their effort and attitude will be able to succeed all year as part of our program. The Coaching Staff firmly believes this is a necessary step to achieve even higher goals than we have achieved in the past.

The one exception to the Player Only rule is discipline. I would like to note that any discipline issues, if they cannot be resolved immediately by the Coaching Staff may require a player to bring a parent or guardian to a Hockey Director – Player meeting. Hopefully, we will not have any such meetings this year. Additionally, if any parent has a concern about the way their son is being treated by any coach, they can direct such a concern to me or to the President of the Club and he, I or both of us will investigate it further and schedule a meeting with you at that time to discuss that specific concern or issue. The well being of our student-players is and will always be at the forefront of our efforts.

IMPORTANT DATE AND ITEMS TO NOTE:

1. There will be no games or practices on the following dates:

Sept 3 – Sept 5	(Labor Day Weekend)
Sept 23 – Sept 25	(College Trip Weekend I & Homecoming) (games may be played after 6pm on Sun Sept 25)
Oct 7 – Oct 9	(College Trip Weekend II) (games may be played after 6pm on Sun Sept 25)
Oct 20 – Oct 23	(College Trip Weekend III)
Dec 16 – Jan 2	(Winter Break)

One additional college trip weekend this year has been added to the schedule.

2. We will be participating in several tournaments including a Thanksgiving Tournament so please plan accordingly. We typically have no control of days and times for our games in these tournaments.
3. We will not be participating in a tournament over MLK weekend due to finals that are the following week.
4. At this point, Metro Central is contemplating a tiering round structure to assure the better teams a higher level of competition. More to follow.
5. Both Varsity and Junior Varsity teams have been invited into the High School Invitation Tournament (HIT) for the ninth straight year.
6. Senior Night will be held on the last regular scheduled Wednesday night Metro game. Please plan accordingly.
7. All Players will be required to participate in the BHS Hockey Homecoming Parade which is on Saturday September 24th at 10AM. Please plan accordingly. This is not optional and the coaching staff will expect all players to proudly support the High School, their team, and the BHS Hockey uniform.
8. There will be no practice or games the Friday Night prior to Homecoming and on the Saturday of Homecoming however, we will be preparing the BHS Hockey Float on that Friday and all players are expected to participate.
9. All Players will be required to participate in the BHS Winter Athlete Recognition Ceremony hosted by the BHS Athletic Department. NO EXCEPTIONS. Date to be announced.
10. The date of the Year-End Banquet will be Friday April 6th. Please plan accordingly to set that important recognition day aside on your schedules.

BHS REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO PARTICIPATION IN TRYOUTS

Please note that all players trying out for a high school sport must have the following on file with the High School Athletic Department.

1. B.H.S. Athletic Participation Card
http://www.athletics2000.com/Barrington/Documents/athletics_card.pdf
2. IHSA Pre Participation Physical Examination Form
<http://www.ihsa.org/forms/general/PhysicalCard.pdf>

The BHS Athletic Department will give you a pink slip that, along with your USA Hockey registration, will allow you to try out for the BHS Hockey team. You can avoid a very long line in August if you handle this as early as possible

Also, please read and understand the Co-Curricular Code for participating in athletics at Barrington High School. BHS Hockey supports the Co-Curricular Code 100% of the time without exception. It can be found on this link:

<http://ww2.barrington220.org/2116201021111941397/lib/2116201021111941397/10code.pdf>

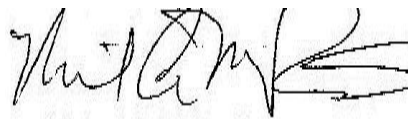
The rules are clear and if it is not something you think you can live by then please do not waste your teammates time and your parents money trying out and/or playing on our teams. Violations of the Code hurt not only yourself, but they also hurt your teammates, your team, your organization, your school and your family.

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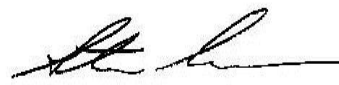
Yours in Hockey,



Coach Rob Huston



Coach Mike McPartlin



Coach Steve Saraurer



Coach Kyle Behrens



Coach Dan Pettibone