



AWARD CRITERIA

The State of Hockey produces more hockey players than any other state. Each of those players has many coaches to thank. The Minnesota Wild recognizes that the State of Hockey is made up of not only the players and participants, but also the great coaches and leaders that guide them both on and off the ice.

To honor these coaches and leaders, the Minnesota Wild has partnered with 3M to award the 3M Excellence in Coaching Award.

Candidates for the award must embody the following qualities:

- Display good sportsmanship towards team, parents and officials
- Display positive youth sports experience and teaching methods through the game of hockey
 - Display respect for players, parents and officials in all situations
 - Teach positive life skills allowing kids to benefit from team experience
 - Dedicate time both on and off the ice to support community initiatives

NOMINATION INFORMATION

Coaches may nominate themselves or fellow coaches who they feel meet the criteria. To be eligible, a nominee must be actively coaching a boys or girls youth hockey team or a boys or girls high school hockey team in Minnesota.

Selected coaches will be notified by telephone or email, and will be invited to attend a Minnesota Wild game and be recognized during the game.

In addition, all high school coach winners will be considered for the Charlie Stryker Coach of the Year Award. This award will be presented to one boy's high school coach and one girl's high school coach at the Minnesota Wild game on April 2, 2011.

If you have any questions, please contact Ed Souter at 651.602.5707 or Mackenzie Ludowese at 651.312.3497



2010-2011 3M COACHING AWARD RECOGNITION SCHEDULE

| DATE | TIME |
|--|------|
| Wednesday, December 1 vs. Phoenix | 7PM |
| Thursday, December 16 vs. Ottawa | 7PM |
| Monday, December 20 vs. Calgary | 7PM |
| Wednesday, December 29 vs. San Jose | 7PM |
| Sunday, January 2 vs. Phoenix | 5PM |
| Sunday, January 9 vs. Dallas | 5PM |
| Friday, January 14 vs. Colorado | 7PM |
| Tuesday, February 1 vs. Los Angeles | 7PM |
| Wednesday, February 9 vs. Colorado | 7PM |

| DATE | TIME |
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| Saturday, February 12 vs. St. Louis | 8PM |
| Tuesday, February 18 vs. Vancouver | 7PM |
| Tuesday, February 22 vs. Edmonton | 7PM |
| Tuesday, March 8 vs. St. Louis | 7PM |
| Saturday, March 19 vs. Columbus | 1PM |
| Tuesday, March 22 vs. Toronto | 7PM |
| Thursday, March 31 vs. Edmonton | 7PM |
| Saturday, April 2 vs. Tampa Bay | 1PM |



NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATOR INFO:

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

COACH INFO:

NAME: _____ BOYS or GIRLS (circle one) SECTION: _____
 ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____
 EMAIL: _____

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT

Describe how this coach displays the 3M Coaching Award Criteria and any important coaching accomplishments or awards received. Please use specific examples when possible. Limit your description to one page.

Please return completed nomination form AND statement of support no later than December 1, 2010

SEND TO: Minnesota Wild • 3M Excellence in Coaching Award • 317 Washington Street • St. Paul, MN 55102
 Fax to: 651-222-1055