



Coach Duane Brobst

Coaching Experience USA Hockey CEP Level 4 (2003)

Coach Duane played in various men's leagues for more than 20 years. He has coached travel hockey with the Melody Brook Lazars and Hatfield Ice Dogs for more than 15 seasons and concurrently high school hockey for another 6 seasons. He has also served in an administrative position with the Suburban High School Hockey league.

Over the past several years, Coach Duane and his coaching staff have guided Ice Dog Teams to five consecutive winning seasons averaging 32 wins per year, eight tournament wins and the following selected highlights:

- Atlantic District Champions - 2012, 2016
- Atlantic District Championship Runner-up - 2015
- Atlantic District Championship Qualifier - 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016
- DVHL League Champions - 2012, 2013, 2016
- DVHL League Playoffs Qualifier - 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

Coaching Philosophy

My basic tenets about youth hockey boil down to two words **Fun** and **Respect**. Players should have fun playing the game of hockey. Ice hockey's requisite skills, high pace, and hard hitting combine to make ice hockey an absolute blast to play. Players are obligated to put the team's interests above personal achievement.

As young adults, my players are expected to fully respect the game, teammates, referees, opponents, and coaches. It's my privilege to coach this team. Similarly, it's a privilege to play on this team. Players are responsible for their actions on and off the ice at all times and will be held accountable without exception.

Practices will be high paced with a special emphasis on skating, game awareness, positioning, and team defense. Players must be focused at all times to understand the systems we're coaching. It's my responsibility to channel that intensity into a positive, memorable experience for the team.

Quote about Duane

"Duane is the model to which all Ice Dog coaches should strive to be. I would welcome him back on the bench any day and would highly recommend him for boys in the 18yr old division next year." Anonymous