

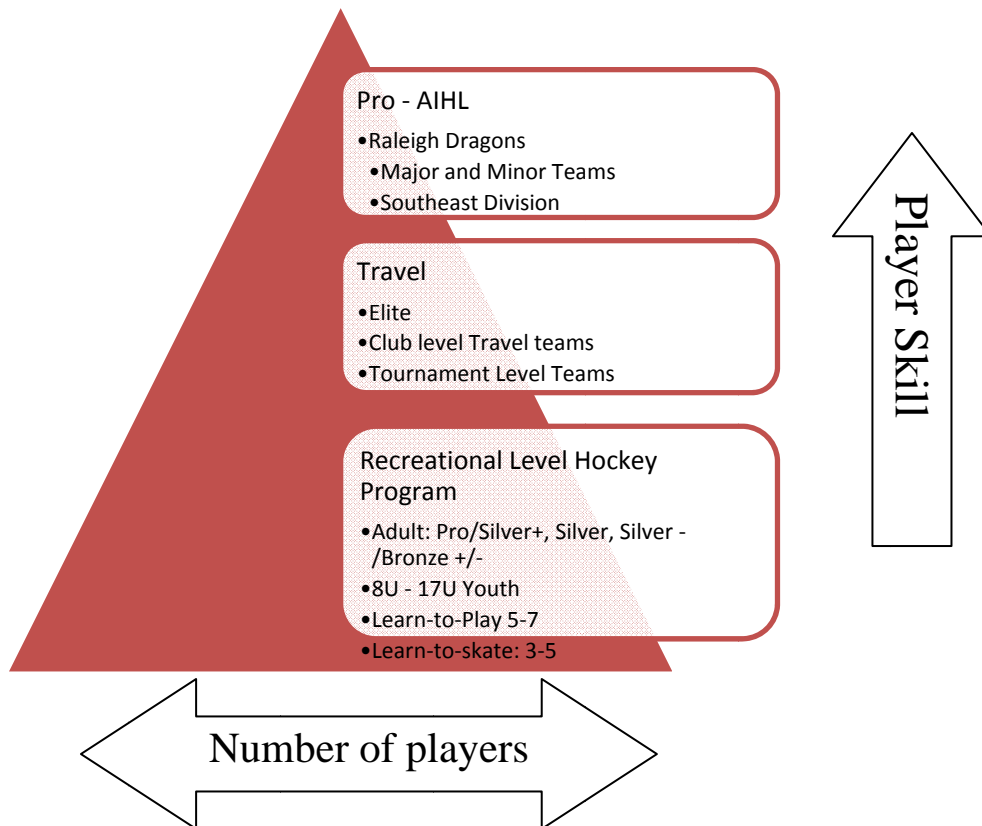
Dreamsports Hockey Travel program changes for 2009/2010: Revision 8/18/09

Parents, Players, Coaches, and others,

We have heard a lot of feedback over the course of the past year on our travel hockey program and are making the following changes. We hope these changes reflect the input many of you provided to us to improve the program and set us on a path to make travel hockey at Dreamsports a better experience for the players, parents, coaches, and tournament directors.

It is our hope that these changes will allow more people to experience the benefits of Tournament level hockey, allowing players to compete at a higher level than our House Leagues. We also hope that these changes will increase the performance of our Club level teams. We hope that the changes to our tournament programs will bring more teams to Apex to compete, ensure that our Club Level teams have more teams to compete with when they do travel outside of our home area, and help to increase the overall participation of players in our area as well as neighboring rinks in other states in our region.

The chart below shows how we view our overall Hockey Program at Dreamsports:



Overall Direction of our Hockey Programs:

As you can see we now offer something for everyone from a 3 year old wanting to learn to skate, to adults and players with professional capabilities. We saw a gap in this view that we will fill with our "Tournament Hockey" Program. This is intended for recreational players that want to experience tournament style play without the large time and financial commitment of Club Travel Hockey. These teams will only play in Raleigh or at Tournaments nearby that can be completed in one day with no overnight expenses required. Tournament Hockey will also enable us to limit our Club Level teams to two teams and 8-10 players and a goalie since players that do not make this level will have an alternative. There are also other independent travel programs that provide an opportunity for these players as well. Other facilities in other areas of the country have implemented similar programs with great success. Once successful, we believe this program will enable us to institute a Tournament League.

We also expect to increase the coordination done by Dreamsports Staff with the other rinks in the area and the tournament directors to reduce the saturation that caused many Club Level tournaments to be the same teams playing over and over again. Dreamsports will use our ability to commit our teams to away tournaments as a way to get other rinks to do the same with us increasing the competitive field for all of our tournaments as well as the tournaments our teams travel to play in.

We will also reduce the length of the travel season for our Dragons and Tournament Hockey teams. Many players and parents have expressed concern that the season is too long, interferes with player's abilities to play other sports, and that both players and parents get burned out on a program that has almost become year-round. We will now have try-outs in October for Dragons (Club Level), and November for the Action (Tournament Level), Teams will start practicing immediately following their try-out, and Tournament play will be from January through June.

Registration for tryouts for both the Dragons and Action Teams will begin September 1st, 2009. Look for more information on our website as the date approaches.

The following pages provide you with more details. If you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at Steve@Dreamsportscenter.com.

Dreamsports Travel Hockey Team Changes:

We will have 2 levels of Travel Hockey this next season. We see the need for three different kinds of teams: Elite, Club Level A & B, and Tournament Hockey teams. Dreamsports will not have Elite level teams under the Dreamsports name. While we see a need for this level of play for our exceptional players, we think this need is better served by independent teams. These are teams with a much higher commitment to travel and the costs associated with longer distance and more frequent travel, a much higher commitment to practice, with plans to compete at the highest level of all tournaments available. Club level teams are what Dreamsports has typically fielded. We have also heard from all of you of a need for a 3rd level of travel with a lower commitment required in terms of travel and costs. We will call this new level our Dreamsports “Action” teams.

Since the Carolina Tsunami are no longer associated with a specific facility, and Dreamsports believes that having 3 programs in the area for In-line Hockey is good for the sport, we support their efforts to continue to have a Travel Program and will provide discounted rates for this program at Dreamsports for rentals. Tsunami will continue to exist as a program not affiliated with a facility. As such they will be run by an independent board of directors. They will decide how long their season will run, what facilities they will practice at, and other Tsunami specific issues. Players will not be required to play rec hockey at Dreamsports to be a player for Tsunami as they are for either Dreamsports program.

The following chart explains the differences and requirements for Club and Travel-Lite teams:
 (** indicates additional Dreamsports Player Card discounts may apply)

	Elite/Independent	Dragons	Action	Tsunami
Tryouts	No: Recruited	Yes	Yes	Yes
Roster	TBD	Consistent Minimum 2 Rec seasons per year required at Dreamsports	Consistent Minimum 2 Rec Seasons per year required at Dreamsports	Consistent
Tournaments	TBD	1 away per month PA, VA, NC, SC, GA	Regional only: local or complete in a single day NC, SC	TBD
# Teams	TBD	Max 2 per age group	Up to 4 per age group	TBD
# Tournaments	TBD	12	4 – 6	TBD
Cost per player	TBD	\$450.00 + Tournament Fees**	\$250.00 + Tournament Fees**	TBD
DSC provided Benefits	None	Uniforms Discounts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15%: Rink time • 5%: Pro-shop • 10%: Rec Team fees Awards Banquet	Jerseys only Discounts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15%: Rink time • 5%: Pro-shop • 10%: RecTeam fees Awards Banquet	Discounts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15% rink time
Practices at DSC	\$120.00 per hour Insurance req'd Non-preferred times \$140.00 per hour w/o Insurance	20 hours Team Practice (8/8 Excess/m-sport) Preferred and consistent times Additional Practice @ \$100 per hour	10 hours of group practice 5 hours of team practice Preferred and consistent times Additional Practice @ \$100 per hour	
DSC Coordination	None	Tournaments Travel Practice	Tournaments Practice	None
Level of Play	AAA	AA/A	AA/A	TBD
Age Groups	TBD	8U – 16U	8U – 16U	TBD
Coaches	TBD	Volunteer	Volunteer	TBD

The changes you should notice for Dreamsports teams are the following:

- We will only field 2 teams (8-10 skaters and one goalie) for the Dragons teams in each age group. There will be cuts and players that do not make the teams may also tryout for the Action teams in their age group. There will be a \$50 Tryout fee that will be applied to the Travel Fees if the player makes a team. It will be refunded if the player does not make the team in the level he or she is trying out for.
- The purpose of the Tournament Hockey “Action” teams are to allow more players to participate in Travel without the large cost and time burden that Club Level and Elite Level require. We also believe this new category of teams will enhance the experience of Club Level B teams who will have opportunities to compete against more teams at their level of skill.
- While the initial costs for Dragons will be higher, this is more than compensated for by the discounts on house team fees and pro-shop discounts. The Club level practice time is approximately equal to what teams get today, with the benefit of regularly scheduled

preferred times. Action teams will also have the benefit of a regular schedule and preferred times.

- Independent teams will be supported by Dreamsports but will be required to pay normal rental fees and will be required to pay for their own insurance. They will be allowed to book ahead non-preferred rink times. No discounts will be provided to these independent teams for house leagues, pro-shop, or rink time fees.