What is the 'South Calgary Hockey House League'?

The South Calgary Hockey House League (SCHHL) began in 2015-2016 and is a partnership of the following Hockey Associations, which are **sponsored by the Flames Community Hockey House League:**

- Bow Valley Hockey Society
- Knights Hockey Club
- Southwest Hockey Association
- Wolverines Hockey Club

What is the 'Flames Community Hockey House League'?

The **Flames Community Hockey House League** is a partnership between the Calgary Flames Organization, Hockey Calgary, and its member Associations. The goal is to provide recreational players the opportunity to play organized hockey that is; **affordable, fun** and **safe**, with **moderate, consistent**, time & location commitments; allowing for participation in other social, academic or recreational activities. It also provides players who have limited skills and knowledge; an introduction to the game in a less intimidating format. The program is regionally based, offering participants a chance to play the great game of hockey, with less time and travel commitments.



What Age Categories will this program be offered to?

For the 2024-2025 season, the SCHHL will be offered to participants in the following Age Divisions;

Division	Birth Years	Age by Dec 31st
U9	2016 & 2017	7 & 8
U11	2014 & 2015	9 & 10

What are the Program Dates?

October 15, 2024 to March 9, 2025

NOTE: Pathway Skates & Placement Skates occur **PRIOR to October 15th**, as per your 'home' Association. Refer to 'Program Scheduling' for further details.

No activities will take place during the following dates:

- December 23, 2024 January 3, 2025 (Holiday Break)
- February 10 17, 2025 (Family Day Break)



What's NEW?



Based on registration numbers, there is a possibility the SCHHL will increase up to ten (10) teams in each division!

What are the differences between House League & Community Hockey?

Comparing	House League		Community	
Pathway Skates	Yes		Yes	
Placement Skates	Teams a	are balanced	Participants are tiered based on skill	
Set Schedules		Yes	No	
Cash Calls		No	Yes	
Volunteers Required for Program	YES		Yes	
Volunteer Bond	Determined per Association		Yes	
Fundraising	No		Yes	
Full-Ice Practices	U9 : No	U11: No	U9 : No	U11: Some
Full-Ice Games	U9 : No	U11: Yes	U9 : No	U11: Yes
Purchase Additional Ice	Not Permitted		Yes	
Exhibition Games Permitted	No		Yes	
Tournaments Permitted	No		Yes	
Esso Minor Hockey Week	No		Yes	
House League Jamboree	Yes. Hosted by Hockey Calgary Only		No	
Playoffs Permitted	No		U9 : No	U11: Yes
Police Checks for Coaches	Yes. Mandatory		Yes. Mandatory Yes. Mandatory	
Coaching Requirements	Same in Both Leagues		Same in Both Leagues	

What Equipment is Required?

- Full equipment is **ALWAYS** required; as per Hockey Calgary Guidelines.
 - Equipment list; including sizing and care → Equipment Care
 - Mouth guards ARE mandatory, as per the <u>Hockey Calgary Regulations Handbook</u>.
- Participants must have their own practice jersey and practice socks.
- Goalie Gear:
 - U9 \rightarrow Will be provided by the League.
 - U11 → May be provided by the League, on request.

What Skills are Required?

- Basic skating **IS** required.
 - This is **NOT** a "learn to skate" program.
 - Participants should have the basic fundamentals of skating including; stopping, gliding, turning, moving backwards and proper technique for falling down and getting up.
- No previous hockey experience is necessary.







How will Team Compositions Look?

Participant Placement (evaluated skates) will be conducted within each 'home' Association to ensure teams are equally balanced with a variety of skill level.

Age Division	SCHHL Team Composition Breakdown
U9	 A minimum of two (2) teams per Association, up to a League max of ten (10) teams. Roster Spots → Minimum 16, Maximum 20 per team. Goalies do NOT specifically register for this position. All participants will rotate in the goalie position.
U11	 A minimum of two (2) teams per Association, up to a League max of ten (10) teams. Roster Spots → Minimum 16, Maximum 20 per team, including goalies. Goalie position – participants must identify interest for this position through registration. Preference is given to goalies who have their own equipment.

What are the House League Program Highlights?

To review the full Operations Guide $\rightarrow \underline{\text{Click Here}}$

- All teams must adhere to the Hockey Calgary (HCAL) Operations Guide.
- All SCHHL teams will be sanctioned by HCAL. All participants and coaches must be properly registered.
- House League games will only be against other SCHHL teams in season.
- Participant Placement is determined through an evaluation process by your home Association.
- Games will be played in accordance with the Hockey Calgary Rules & Regulations.
- Statistics and standings will not be kept or publicly displayed.
- Official Game Reports will be entered by Team Managers into the HCAL website for review purposes only.
- The score clock will never reflect a differential greater than 5 goals regardless of the actual score.
- A participant is limited to 3 goals during any one game however may earn unlimited assists. If a participant scores a 4th goal etc., the goal will not be recorded and a face off will occur at center ice.
- All participant positions must be rotated equitably throughout the season in all divisions.
- The goalie position will be rotated in U9, and 'may' be rotated in U11; dependent on the registered goalies.
- Participants may be named Captain or Alternate Captain on a fair and rotating basis as per your home Association policy.
- Coaches are permitted to use up to 25% of their practice ice to scrimmage within their own team.
- **NO Affiliations** are permitted between House League and the Community/Regional Stream.

What is the Flames Community House League Jamboree?

Event Date: FEBRUARY 21-23, 2025



- The House League Jamboree is a family-friendly, year-end tournament to celebrate all Flames Community House League players in Calgary.
- SCHHL teams will play other House League teams from across Calgary.
- Schedule & details will be sent to Team Managers in January.









Is a Volunteer Bond Required?

House League requires volunteers for the program to operate efficiently!!

- Check with your 'home' Association regarding any required volunteering commitments.
- Specific volunteer duties may be required such as, but not limited to; game day roles, team level roles, (i.e., Coaches, Managers, Jersey Parent), per Association <u>or</u> House League duty roles.

What will the Program Scheduling be like?

- Program Scheduling is completed per 'home' Association based on their ice availability.
- Games and practices will be scheduled for the duration of the season; according to the Program Scheduling notes within this document.
- Team schedules will be posted to the Hockey Calgary website.
- Families can also access their schedule through TeamSnap; which is assigned per 'home' Association.
- There will be one (1) practice held during the week and one (1) game held <u>on either</u> Saturday or Sunday; with the exception of the weeks mentioned on Page 1.

NOTE: EARLIER ice times listed for practices and games are the ones predominately scheduled.

Schedules WILL NOT BE communicated, in advance to your team placement.

Program Scheduling			
Pathway Skates	 These <u>are NOT</u> evaluated skates. These particular skates allow participants to get back onto the ice in a less formal setting <i>before</i> the Placement Skates occur. While Pathway Skates are not mandatory; they are highly recommended!! 		
Placement Skates	 These <u>ARE</u> evaluated skates. Placement Skates are used to assist with ensuring teams are balanced. Attendance <u>IS MANDATORY</u> to allow for proper team balancing. 		
Practices	 Total of 16 practices. All practices will be <u>shared ice</u>. All practices will be held in South Calgary. Practice days will be set days per team. All ice times will be 1 hour. Practice times will be between 4:00pm and 8:30pm. 		
Games	 Total of 16 games. All games will be <u>HALF-ice for U9</u> and full-ice for U11. Game days will be Saturday OR Sunday. All ice times will be 1 hour. Game times will be between 7:00am and 8:30pm. All games will be played against other SCHHL teams. 		
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What are the Coaching Requirements?

Did you know...this program is run by volunteer Coaches FROM THE PARENT GROUP?

- Interested Coaches need to register, and follow procedures set by your 'home' Association.
- Coaches <u>MUST</u> have completed <u>ALL</u> required course certifications as per the Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta, Hockey Calgary & Association Rules & Regulations by the November 15th deadline.
- Safety Certification is mandatory for some Associations, but is *strongly recommended* for ALL coaches.
- U9 teams are required to have a minimum of <u>two (2) individuals certified as a Head Coach</u>.
- Coach Certification costs will be reimbursed 100%, by your 'home' Association, so long as all requirements have been met.

NOTE: Online courses **DO NOT** need to be completed in one sitting. **However**, **THEY DO** need to be completed as a pre-requisite to any in-person ice/classroom course.

Certification Course	Course Information	U9 Coach Requirements	U11 Coach Requirements
Respect in Sport (RIS) Activity Leader	This is different than the Parent RIS online course.	ALL Coaches *See Note 1	ALL Coaches *See Note 1
Police Information Check (PIC)	Completed Online. <u>3 weeks to complete</u> ! Don't delay in this task .	ALL Coaches Contact 'home' Association for instructions	ALL Coaches Contact 'home' Association for instructions
Hockey Canada Safety	This is a 4-Hour online course.	2 Coaches per Team ** <mark>See Note</mark> 2	<mark>1</mark> Coach per Team ** <mark>See Note 2</mark>
Hockey Canada Coach Level 1 & Coach Level 2	Part 1 4-hour online course.	Head Coach & 1 Assistant Coach	Head Coach Only
Hockey Canada Coach Level 1	Part 2 In-person ice/classroom 5.5-hour course.	Head Coach & 1 Assistant Coach Need to complete Part 1	Not Applicable
Hockey Canada Coach Level 2	Part 2 In-person ice/classroom 5.5-hour course.	Not Applicable	Head Coach Only
Hockey Canada Checking Skills	Two-part online course.	Not Applicable	Head Coach Only

- **NOTE #1**: The RIS program **MUST be completed** <u>**PRIOR**</u> to a coach being added to a team roster. This certification **NEEDS** to be completed <u>**BEFORE**</u> going on the ice,</u> in order to be covered by Hockey Canada Insurance.
- **NOTE #2:** There <u>MUST BE</u> a Coach in attendance for <u>EVERY ice time</u>, who has the Safety Certification. 'Home Association Rules also apply.

Deadline to complete required "IN-PERSON" certifications is November 15, 2024







What do I need to know about Registration?

- **SPACE IS LIMITED!!** Register Early to avoid disappointment!
 - If the program fills up contact your home Registrar for availability options.
- Respect in Sport (RIS) Parent <u>MUST</u> be completed by one (1) Parent/Guardian <u>BEFORE</u> the online registration is started. A completed registration MUST HAVE the Respect in Sport Certification with a valid expiration date.
- Fees are different than the Community Minor Hockey mainly due to different ice requirements.
- Interested families are to contact their 'home' Association to register.
- Registrants are only able to participate in one (1) League for the current hockey season.

Program Registration Requirements		
Registration Fee	\$815.00 and is payable to your 'home' Association as per their payment options.	
Registration Status	Registrations are based on 'First Come, FIRST COMPLETED '.	
Late Fee	 \$150.00 per participant, applicable to RETURNING members only. Effective SEP 1, 2024 at 12:01am 	
Game Jersey Deposit	Game Jersey deposits are determined by your 'home' Association. Check with your Association regarding additional expectations that may be required of you.	
Team Photo	A team SportsMate is included with registration.	
Additional Requirement(s)	The following is also required, as determined by your 'home' Association: Parent 'Respect in Sport', Proof of Age and Proof of Residency.	
U9 Goalie Registration	The goalie position is not designated in U9. All participants will take turns playing goalie throughout the season.	
U11 Goalie Registration	During registration you will be able to indicate if your child would like to play goal. <u>NOTE #1</u> : If a team does not have a goalie, participants will take turns playing goalie. <u>NOTE #2</u> : If a team has more than one (1) goalie per team, they will take turns in net; allowing them to 'play out' for games they are not in net for. <u>NOTE #3</u> : Preference is given to goalies who have their own equipment.	
Registration Receipts	 Receipts can only be obtained <u>from your TeamSnap account</u>. Print receipt(s) → Go to "<u>My Registrations</u>" of 'My Clubs & Leagues Dashboard'. Completed registrations will <u>ONLY be available for the current season</u>. Registration receipts are <u>NOT</u> available after they expire!! It's strongly advised to print receipts once payments have BEEN COMPLETED. 	







Are there Financial Assistance Opportunities?

YES! There are programs available to assist families with the financial cost of registration. You must apply and qualify for these financial assistance programs. **It's important to register EARLY** so you have full access to **ALL** the financial assistance opportunities. If you are not sure about something "please" contact your 'home' Association Registrar as soon as possible.



If your application is approved by Hockey Calgary then that automatically qualifies you for equipment assistance through the Calgary Flames Sports Bank. The information about the equipment bank will be provided to you on your approved application notice.



It's important for you to <u>REGISTER EARLY</u> so that you have full access to ALL financial assistance opportunities. If you're not sure about something "please" contact your 'home' Association Registrar ASAP. <u>Contact information is below</u>.

How do I Complete Registration and Apply for Financial Assistance?

STEP #1	→ Complete the online reg	gistration in TeamSnap	through your 'home'	'Association.
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Option 1	Pay IN FULL	 You are considered "fully registered" with Option 1. Be sure to complete Step 2 and fill out the online FESP application. You will receive notification of your application status from the Hockey Calgary Registrar. Your 'home' Registrar will also receive a copy of this notification email. If approved, the Registrar will apply the credit & refund to the account.
Option 2	Pay the Deposit & Choose Payment Plan	 You are considered "fully registered" with Option 2. Be sure to complete Step 2 and fill out the online FESP application. You will receive notification of your application status from the Hockey Calgary Registrar. Your home Registrar will also receive a copy of this notification email. If approved and you are on a payment plan, then the credit will be applied, any applicable refund will be issued and future scheduled payments removed.
Option 3	"Off-Line Payment" → No funds received	 Verify with your 'home' association that they offer this option. Be sure to complete Step 2 and fill out the online FESP application. You will receive notification of your application status from the Hockey Calgary Registrar. Your home Registrar will also receive a copy of this notification email. A full refund of payments received will be issued with approved applications.
	IMPORTANT NOTICE	If Option 3 is chosen your participant(s) <u>are NOT</u> fully registered, if no payment has been received <u>OR</u> confirmation of an <u>APPROVED</u> Financial Assistance application. Complete Step #2 below









STEP #2 \rightarrow Fill out the online Flames Even Strength Program (FESP) Application.

- This is managed by Hockey Calgary.
- When you complete the online form, you will receive an auto email from Hockey Calgary.
 - **<u>Be sure to check your 'junk mail' for the automated email</u>. Your 'home' Registrar will also receive an automated email.**
- It is the <u>members' responsibility</u> to follow up with Hockey Calgary regarding the status of their application.
 Contact Pam Douglas (Hockey Calgary Registrar) at: <u>pam.douglas@hockeycalgary.com</u>
- Link to the FESP Application can be found on the Hockey Calgary website: <u>https://www.hockeycalgary.ca/</u> or by using the following link:

https://www.hockeycalgary.ca/registration/flames-even-strength-program

Is there a Waiting List for Registration?

If the program fills up contact your home Association Registrar for availability options.

To be added to the waiting list **you MUST have a valid RIS Certification** on your account and have provided any additional required registration information to the Registrar.



Based on registration numbers, there is a possibility the SCHHL will increase up to ten (10) teams in each division!

Is there a Withdrawal Policy?

The Withdrawal Policy will be based on the 'home' Association that you registered with. Please contact them directly for details.

NOTE: The SCHHL does reserve the right to cancel the House League Program, or reduce the number of teams if the SCHHL does not meet the minimum registration requirement.

Do You Have Further Resources?



Bow Valley Hockey Society – <u>www.bvhs.ca</u> Registrar – Jodi at <u>registrar@bvhs.ca</u>

Knights Hockey Club – <u>www.knightshc.ca</u> Registrar – Erin at <u>admin@knightshc.ca</u>

Southwest Hockey Association – <u>www.southwesthockey.ca</u> Registrar – Christina at <u>registrar@southwesthockey.ca</u>

Wolverines Hockey Club – <u>www.wolverineshockey.ca</u> Registrar – Erin at <u>info@wolverineshockey.ca</u>







