

## **DYH Program Philosophy**

The Duxbury Youth Hockey Association, Inc. is a not for profit corporation, organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Duxbury Youth Hockey is governed by a Board of Directors as established in the By Laws of the Corporation and maintains membership with the USA Hockey and Massachusetts Hockey Youth Hockey.

The purpose of the Duxbury Youth Hockey Association is to organize, sponsor and conduct a developmental hockey program for this town's youth aged 5 through 17. Our program is committed to skill development and the promotion of educational, physical, and recreational values of ice hockey. We strive to provide all of our players with equal opportunities to develop to the limits of their potential, regardless of their ability. Coaches are selected based on their thorough knowledge of the game's fundamentals and their own level of skill and accomplishment. Most importantly is their dedication to inspire the love of hockey, to instill a sense of sportsmanship, and meet the developmental needs of each child.

DYH will attempt to field teams according to players abilities, coaches recommendations, and tryouts. Children are encouraged to participate in the DYH program regardless of their race, religion, gender, or financial ability to pay.

In accordance with the above philosophy, the DYH Board espouses the following USA Hockey Coaches Code of Conduct. All coaches and assistant coaches are expected to adhere to the following Code of Conduct. Participating coaches will sign this policy statement annually and failure to abide by this code of conduct may be grounds for dismissal.