

Nashoba Hockey Travel Program
FAQ

The below was compiled to give insight to parents on their next steps within Nashoba Youth Hockey.

“Learn to Skate” is where most kids start their journey in Nashoba Youth Hockey. Once a skater has the basics down (skating without a crate!!) and they have interest in playing hockey they can join Learn To Play Hockey. This teaches the basics of skating with a stick, handling a puck, passing and shooting. These sessions usually end with cross ice games which the kids love! The Learn to Skate and Learn To Play Hockey sessions are 1 hour per week on Sunday mornings.

The next step, depending on the age and skill level of the player is In-House Mites. (approx. ages 8 and younger) or for older players we have our newly established In-House Squirts (approx. ages 9 and 10). These sessions continue cross ice games but also add an additional hour per week of practice to hone hockey skills. Again, advancement in skill at this level tends to favor additional hours on the ice.

For those kids ready for more of a challenge, we offer Travel Programs—see below for appropriate ages. These offer increased weekly hours, (approx. 3-4 hours per week—usually 2 practices and 1 game), an increased game schedule, and the addition of Skills Development sessions taught by Bob Ware Hockey Camps.

Birth date falls:

1/1/04 and younger
1/1/02 – 12/31/03
1/1/00 – 12/31/01
1/1/98 – 12/31/99
1/1/94 – 12/31/97

Player level:

Mite
Squirt
PeeWee
Bantam
Midget

Some kids move through the levels at different speeds and as a parent, it may not be obvious what the right next step is for your child. The best way to know the appropriate path for your child is to discuss with your current coach and attend the Evaluation sessions that are held in February and March for proper placement for the next Hockey Season.

If you have further questions please contact Director of Player Development, Paul McCarthy at paul_r_mccarthy@ml.com