



Novice Parents,

We are looking to have a parent information night on **Tuesday, September 10th at 5:30** (at the arena - upstairs in a meeting room) to discuss this years programming.

This year will be Hockey Alberta's first full season of the finalized new Intro to Hockey Program and with this will come some new changes. Please have a look at this model before you attend the meeting. <https://www.hockeyalberta.ca/players/intro-hockey/>

With the current numbers registered for this season, just as last year SMHA looks to have 4 House League teams and 1 League team.

With all Novice going to the new modified ice and 4 on 4 format and following some parents requests, SMHA has decided to open up tryouts for the Novice League team to both 1st and 2nd year Novice players. This team is planned to play in the West Country League.

Last year's teams in Stettler's Division included, travelling to Lacombe, Blackfalds, Sylvan Lake, and Rocky Mountain House. Divisions have yet to be determined for this season.

Preseason skates will be taking place and do not affect tryouts, however we would ask that **only those interested in trying out for the League team attend**. All players choosing to play House league will receive opportunities for powerskating and skills practices after October 7th.

Preseason skates for Novice travel team players are planned for:

Saturday September 14th 12:45-1:45 pm
Sunday September 15th 12:30-1:30 pm & 3:00-4:00 pm
Saturday September 28th 9:00-10:00 am

Official Tryouts

1. Sunday, September 29th 9:00-10:00 am
2. Saturday October 5th 9:00-10:00 am
3. Possibility of 3rd skate TBD