



CHARTIERS VALLEY HOCKEY CLUB

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the Chartiers Valley Hockey Club is to promote the game of hockey and present positive role models for the youth of our community. We want to provide an equal opportunity for the young people in the CV Hockey Club to learn the game and share in the enjoyment of playing hockey. It is our desire that each participant – player, coach, and parent – finds a supportive environment that promotes fun and encourages development to his or her maximum potential in the game of ice hockey. In doing so, they should learn the value and importance of teamwork and exemplify sportsmanship.

2023-2024 TRYOUT INFORMATION



Dear Parents and Players:

Welcome to the 2023-2024 Middle School, Junior Varsity and Varsity tryouts.

Please complete tryout registration online at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/CVHOCKEY2324>, register online with USA Hockey, and bring any necessary information with you to complete the registration process.

TRYOUT DATES AND TIMES:

TEAM	23-24 GRADE ELIGIBILITY	TRYOUT DATES/TIMES
All Teams	Mandatory Pre-Tryout Meeting (Player and Parents are to attend)	5-2-23 – 7:00 – 8:00 PM, HS Commons
MIDDLE SCHOOL	6 th (2011 b.y.) – 8 th graders	5-16-23 @ 8:10 - 9:00 PM 5-20-23 @ 4:10 - 5:00 PM
JUNIOR VARSITY & VARSITY	JV-9 th – 12 th graders who have never been rostered on Varsity V- 9 th – 12 th graders	5-16-23 @ 9:00 -10:00 PM 5-20-23 @ 5:00- 6:00 PM

A Pre-Tryout meeting will be held on 5/2/2023 from 7:00-8:00 PM at the High School Commons. Each player and at least 1 guardian are required to attend. Tryouts will be held at the **Mt. Lebanon Ice Rink**. Please arrive at least one hour before the scheduled time. This year registration is preferred to be completed online, however walk ups will not be turned away. Please try to attend tryout times listed above. If you are unable to attend the pre-tryout meeting and at least one tryout session, contact Tom DeAngelis at 412-860-9051.

TRYOUT FEES AND REGISTRATION:

A commitment fee check (made out to CV Hockey) in the amount of \$300 **MUST** be submitted on the first day of tryouts. Upon acceptance of a position, it will be applied to your player account. If you are not offered a position, or you decline the position offered, your commitment fee check will be shredded. You will also need to submit a separate check on the first day of tryouts to cover tryout fees (made out to CV Hockey) in the amount of **\$50**. The tryout fee is not refundable. We must have two separate checks. NOTE: if you accept a position and later change your mind, your commitment fee will not be returned to you under any circumstance.

CV Hockey is a member of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Hockey League (PIHL).

All players and coaches are required to register with USA Hockey and Mid-Am Hockey. You can register online by going to <https://membership.usahockey.com/>. You **MUST** bring your **2023-2024** season confirmation page with you to tryouts or you will not be allowed to tryout. This will serve as your registration for all teams – school and amateur – in the coming season. No need to register twice. If you have any questions regarding online registration, please contact our registrar, Michelle Hinds at hinds.michelle@gmail.com

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REQUIRED FOR TRYOUTS:

Online Registration Link: <https://tinyurl.com/CVHOCKEY2324>

If you register ONLINE, you only need to bring the following:

- **Copy of USA Hockey registration (barcode sheet)- MUST BE FOR 2023-2024 SEASON**
- Copy of Birth Certificate (**new players only**)
- \$300 Commitment Fee (check or money order made payable to CV Hockey)
- \$50 Tryout Fee (check or money order made payable to CV Hockey)

If you are a Walk Up, you MUST bring the following:

- Completed tryout application form
- **Copy of USA Hockey registration (barcode sheet)- MUST BE FOR 2023-2024 SEASON**
- Signed CV Hockey Players Code of Conduct
- Signed CV Hockey Parents Code of Conduct
- Copy of Birth Certificate (**new players only**)
- \$300 Commitment Fee (check or money order made payable to CV Hockey)
- \$50 Tryout Fee (check or money order made payable to CV Hockey)
- CVHC COVID Waiver

OTHER TRYOUT NOTES:

You will be notified of team placement following tryouts. You must accept or decline the position within 48 hours to secure a position or have your commitment fee returned to you.

While the goal of the CV Hockey Club is to enable as many players as possible to participate in the program, the Club reserves the right to limit participation and/or refuse membership. By trying out, players are not guaranteed the offer of a position. Particularly, the middle school team is only permitted to have 25% of their roster include 2011 birthyear players due to the middle school league being designated as a U14 non-checking league. This greatly restricts the number of 2011 birthyear players we can roster on the team. Membership in the CV Hockey Club is at the discretion of the Board of Directors and may be denied or revoked. See the Club bylaws for more information.

Questions regarding tryouts should be directed to the Tryout Committee Chairperson, Michelle Hinds, at hinds.michelle@gmail.com Thank you for your interest in the Chartiers Valley Hockey Club.

CV Hockey Club Board of Directors

2023-2024 FEES AND PAYMENTS



Practices run from September 1st through March 15th. Games begin in October and may continue through March. Your team may also participate in off-season camps, scrimmages, tournaments, etc.

PAYMENT POLICY:

You may pay your balance in full at the start of the season or we will again be offering a convenient payment plan. Monthly installments can be paid through Zelle to Chartiers Valley Hockey Club (412-951-7301) or mailed to CVHC, PO Box 13242, Pittsburgh, PA 15243.

NOTE: If you choose the installment plan, you must make the minimum payment by each due date or face removal of your player from the ice. If you fall behind on payments, you will be notified to get your account in good standing. Dues not paid thereafter face suspension of participation and membership termination.

INSTALLMENT SCHEDULE:

DUE DATES	VARSITY	JV	MIDDLE SCHOOL
At tryouts* - Commitment fee	\$300	\$300	\$300
August 1, 2023 – first installment	\$200	\$200	\$200
September 1, 2023– second installment	\$280	\$240	\$200
October 1, 2023– third installment	\$280	\$240	\$200
November 1, 2023– fourth installment	\$280	\$240	\$200
December 1, 2023 – fifth installment	\$280	\$240	\$200
January 1, 2024 – final payment	\$280	\$240	\$200
TOTAL	\$1,900	\$1,700	\$1,500

*If you join a team at a later date, you are responsible for paying the commitment fee, tryout fee, and getting all payments up-to-date upon the offer and acceptance of a position.

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OTHER FEES:

Items such as equipment, uniforms, jackets, etc. are the responsibility of the individual unless otherwise specified. Costs for scrimmages, tournaments, team travel, playoffs, etc. may also be expected as a result of participation in the program. Any other expenses due to loss, damage, or theft are the responsibility of the individual. You are also responsible for restitution for theft or damage costs caused by you or your player.

EXCEPTIONS TO BASE FEES:

Late Additions: The Board will determine any discounts for late additions on an individual basis. All late additions will be responsible for the cost of any mandatory fundraisers, regardless of when they join.

Goalies: goalies will receive a reduction of \$100 if they do not play any other position. If they play as a skater when not in goal, there is no reduction to the fee.

Multiple Players: a reduction of \$100 off the base fee of the second player, and a \$150 reduction off the base fee for a third and subsequent players, will be given.

Early Termination: regardless of reason for removal from a team, any potential reduction in fee will be determined by the Board on a case-by-case basis.

Injury or Illness: to qualify for any reduction in fee, the player must be unable to participate for a minimum of 4 weeks. Should it extend past 4 weeks, a reduction in fee will be at the Board's discretion. All mandatory fundraisers must still be paid for.

Suspensions: should a player be suspended by the school, coach, Club, or league for any reason, no fee reduction will be given.

Financial Hardship: at the request of the parents and with proof of need, a reduction in fee may be negotiated. An extension of the payment plan may also be offered.

In order to qualify for a hardship discount, you must participate in the optional fundraisers offered by the Club to assist with fee payment. You may also be asked to perform additional volunteer duties in exchange for a reduction in fees.

Other Exceptions: All other exceptions to base fees, including where you may qualify for more than one fee reduction, will be reviewed by the Board on an individual basis. No reductions to hard costs, such as uniforms or equipment, will be given.

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VOLUNTEER POLICY:

CV Hockey is a volunteer-based organization. If parents do not offer to help in running the Club and its activities, it will mean the elimination of events such as the banquet, etc., and a fee increase will be enacted to offset the projected income.

At times, we are also required by PIHL to provide people to work the game night duties. Your team manager will have a sheet with game duties to divide among the parents.

If you are a coach, you are exempt from having to work game duties, as you will be on the bench. Everyone else is required to take a minimum number of duties based on the number of games your team plays.

Thank you for pitching in to make the experience for all of our coaches, parents and players positive. We wouldn't have hockey without your help and donations.

FUNDRAISER:

We will have a mandatory fundraiser. All families are required to participate. We require the mandatory fundraisers to help keep player fee's the same each year and to offset the increasing ice costs. We also use the money raised from the fundraisers to provide apparel and other amenities to our players when we can afford to do so.

UNIFORMS:

Players are required to purchase home and away jerseys, home and away socks, and shell. JV and Varsity players are required to have a WHITE helmet.

2023-2024 CV HOCKEY CLUB PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT



1. Disrespecting your teammates and coaches ranks among the worst mistakes a player can make. Insubordinate and abusive language and behavior toward coaches and managers creates an environment lacking structure and discipline. Harassment and hazing of teammates creates an atmosphere of fear and division within the team.
These situations will destroy the efforts of even the most talented of teams and will be dealt with swiftly and harshly.
2. CV Hockey players represent their team and the CV School District and must act in an appropriate and disciplined manner at all team functions. USA Hockey, PIHL and CVHC policies must be strictly adhered to, regardless of location.
3. Because CVHC players are expected to have the utmost integrity as a member of the team, there will be zero tolerance for involvement in any illegal or questionable behavior, regardless of whether it occurs during a CVHC event.
4. Players are expected to respect the property and employees of the facilities we use. We will act in an appropriate and appreciative manner at all times.
5. Players are expected to respect the property of their teammates, opposing teams and other individuals. No CVHC player should be in the locker rooms or other areas of the facilities we use unless authorized to do so.
6. There will be no possession or use of weapons, alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco products by any player at any hockey event, regardless of location.
7. In dealing with the media and media outlets (including online social media sites), players will be respectful and courteous at all times and properly represent the team and CV School District.

CONSEQUENCES

1. All violations shall be reported immediately to the Head Coach and Team Manager, at which time the Head Coach will notify the appropriate parents, players and Board Members of the incident.
2. The Head Coach and/or Board of Directors reserve the right to impose an indefinite suspension of any player upon learning of a code violation. Minimally, 24 hours.
3. After observing a mandatory 24-hour "cool down" period, the Head Coach and/or Board may contact the player and parents to resolve the issue. Depending on the severity, a recommendation may be made to resolve the issue with the Discipline Committee. If the incident involves illegal activity or disciplinary action by authorities outside the Club, the Board may move for immediate suspension from the team.
4. All consequences to code violations will be at the sole discretion of the appropriate Board, coaching staff, and Discipline Committee members, and will be handled on a case-by-case basis. All decisions reached through due process are final.
5. Consequences, if deemed necessary, may range from partial restriction of participation to permanent expulsion from the team and all Club activities.
6. Consequences may also include monetary restitution when property is stolen or damaged by the player.

I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE POLICIES AND UNDERSTAND THEIR MEANING AND CONSEQUENCES:

PLAYER SIGNATURE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____ DATE: _____

2023-2024 CV HOCKEY CLUB PARENTS CODE OF CONDUCT



1. Our team and our school are judged by the way our fans behave. Parents and their guests are expected to set a positive example with their actions. Do not make your player and others uncomfortable or embarrassed by your behavior.
2. Vulgar or abusive language or aggressive behavior towards other members, officials, players, coaches, officers or team managers will not be tolerated. Such behavior towards an opposing team's fans, players or coaches will also not be tolerated.
3. Help your child learn accountability and responsibility by reinforcing the USA Hockey Code of Conduct, the Players Code of Conduct, good sportsmanship and team policies.
4. Parents should encourage their player to communicate with coaches and teammates. All hockey-related issues should be addressed between player and coach first. Beyond that, the coaching staff encourages reasonable input from parents. Parents must be considerate of how and when they provide such input to the coaching staff.
5. Any parent that has a complaint about a coach or team manager, or seeks an explanation to a decision or action, should observe the mandatory 24-hour "cool down" period before contacting the team manager, coach or Board to discuss the issue.
6. There may be occasions where the coaching staff and/or Board make unpopular decisions. In these cases, questions should be directed to the team manager or Club President for clarification. Sowing discord through anger and misinformation only exacerbates the situation and creates tension, confusion and division among members.
7. Parents and their guests are not permitted in the locker rooms, on the bench, or on the ice unless clearly given permission by a coach or official to do so.
8. Use of the Club email addresses or contact information for unauthorized communication is strictly prohibited. This is a violation of other Member's privacy.
9. Proper procedures for discussing issues are defined in the Club bylaws and must be followed at all times. Contacting the PIHL, the school district, athletic director or any other outside authorities or media outlets without following the Club's procedures will result in immediate termination of Club membership.

CONSEQUENCES

1. After observing the mandatory 24-hour "cool down" period, parents should request a meeting with the coach/manager/Board to resolve the issue. Depending on the situation, a recommendation may be made to resolve the issue with the Discipline Committee. If the incident involves illegal activity or disciplinary action by authorities outside the Club, the Board may move for immediate suspension from membership.
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WE HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE POLICIES AND UNDERSTAND THEIR MEANING AND CONSEQUENCES (both parents must sign):

PARENT NAMES (PRINT): _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Chartiers Valley Hockey Club
Participation Waiver for Communicable Diseases Including COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented athletics across the world with a myriad of challenges concerning this highly contagious illness that appears to primarily attack the upper respiratory system. Some severe outcomes have been reported in children, and a child with a mild or even asymptomatic case of COVID-19 can spread the infection to others who may be far more vulnerable.

While it is not possible to eliminate all risk of furthering the spread of and exposure to COVID-19 or other communicable disease, the Chartiers Valley Hockey Club (“CVHC”) has put in place certain precautions to try to decrease such risks to students, coaches, and their families. Certain of those precautions can be located on the CVHC Athletic webpage. As knowledge regarding COVID-19 is constantly changing, CVHC reserves the right to adjust and implement additional or different precautionary measures to try to decrease the risks of COVID-19 exposure for our staff, students, and spectators. However, even with precautionary measures, CVHC cannot guarantee that you, your child(ren), or any other person attending or participating in an athletic program, event or activity will not become exposed to or infected with COVID-19 or other communicable disease. Attending or participating in an athletic program, event or activity may increase the risk of being exposed to or contracting COVID-19 or other communicable disease.

The undersigned acknowledge that attending or participating in athletic programs, events, and activities may include a possible exposure to a communicable disease including but not limited to MRSA, influenza, and COVID-19. The undersigned further acknowledge that they are aware of the risks associated with COVID-19 and that certain vulnerable individuals may have greater health risks associated with exposure to COVID-19, including individuals with serious underlying health conditions such as, but not limited to: high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, asthma, and those whose immune systems that are compromised by chemotherapy for cancer, and other conditions requiring such therapy. While particular recommendations and personal discipline may reduce the risks associated with participating in athletics during the COVID-19 pandemic, the risk of serious illness, medical complications and possible death does exist.

We knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from the actions, inactions, and negligence of others, including but not limited to CVHC, and assume full responsibility for Student’s participation in athletics during the COVID-19 pandemic. We willingly agree to comply with any and all recommendations put forth by CVHC and by federal, state and local authorities to limit the exposure and spread of COVID-19 and other communicable diseases. We certify that Student is in good physical condition or believe Student to be in good physical condition and allow participation in this sport at our own risk.

By signing this form, the undersigned voluntarily agree to the following Waiver and release of liability. The undersigned agree to accept sole responsibility for any injury, disability, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or cost and expense, of any kind, that the undersigned, the Student, or any of the undersigned’s family member(s) may experience or incur in connection with the Student’s attendance or participation in CVHC athletic programs, events or activities, and hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge and hold harmless, for ourselves, our heirs, and as a parent or legal guardian for the Student named below, the CVHC, its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all of liabilities or demands for personal injury, disability, psychological injury, sickness, damage, loss, death, or claims resulting from personal injury or property damage, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the Student or the undersigned or a member of the undersigned’s family relating to or as a result of their or the Student’s participation in or attendance at athletic programs, events, and activities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sport: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Student Athlete: _____ Date: _____