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*Subject: 2009-2010 Midget Programs for Boys High School Players (birth years 1991-1994)*

All,

Winchester Youth Hockey is offering three programs for the fall of 2009 for boys born in 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994 who will be in high school this fall. This age group is referred to as Midgets. These three Midget programs are very different. Please read the information below carefully before registering. You should register for only ONE of the options.

Boys born in 1995 (even if in high school) are not allowed to participate in any of these programs. Boys born in 1995 should be participating in our Boys/Open Bantam program. Boys born in 1991 will be allowed to participate only in the first option (conditioning clinic only).

Generally, the Midget programs are closed to non-Winchester residents. The only exception is that those from out of town who participated in 2008-2009 at the Bantam or Midget level are welcome to participate in 2009-2010.

Winchester Youth Hockey reserves the right to cancel any of these three programs if there is insufficient interest. In that case, the registration fee will be refunded (100%).

The three programs are as follows:

**1. CONDITIONING CLINIC ONLY (1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994 birth years)**

The first program is a half season program which consists of 12 two hour conditioning sessions with John Roderick. John is a former Division 1 college hockey player and NHL draft choice who coached at Cambridge Rindge and Latin for 5 seasons. Last season these sessions were all on Sunday at 1 PM at Cambridge MDC. The rink operator (FMC) cannot guarantee this time slot again but most likely the sessions will be on Sunday afternoons throughout the fall.

This program includes 24 hours of on-ice conditioning from early September through mid November. There are no games. This particular program is primarily for those who wish to get conditioning prior to the high school hockey season. Please note that options 2 and 3 below also include these conditioning clinics so you should not register for more than one option. Option 1 is the conditioning clinics only.

## **2. FULL SEASON TEAM (1992, 1993 and 1994 birth years only)**

The second program is a full season program which consists of the 12 clinics with John Roderick (mentioned above) plus approximately 30 games. There are no team practices for the full season Midget team. This program is designed for boys who most likely will not be playing varsity hockey in the fall/winter. Winchester Youth Hockey will give a 1/3 refund to any full season player who becomes a full time varsity player but this program is not recommended for those likely to be playing varsity hockey. This program works well for JV players given the very short JV season at Winchester High School.

This program is available to those born in 1992, 1993 and 1994 only. This team has no try out. All who meet the registration requirements mentioned above may register.

## **3. HALF SEASON VALLEY LEAGUE TEAM (1992, 1993 and 1994 birth years only)**

This team will play 18 games in the Valley League between early September and mid November. This team will participate in the Fall play downs and attempt to qualify for the U18 Tier 2 State Tournament. The State Tournament (for those teams that qualify) is in early November. This team will have one team practice, the two-hour conditioning session with John Roderick and one or two games per week.

This team is for those born in 1992, 1993 and 1994 only.

This team will have a try out. Some who try out may not get selected for the team. The two try outs are on Friday April 10<sup>th</sup> and Friday April 17<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM at Cambridge MDC. All players must attend at least one of the try outs. The team will be compromised of no more than 18 skaters (and 2 goalies) and potentially fewer, depending on the evaluations of our Tryout Evaluators. Any player who is not selected may participate in the other options or receive a full refund of all registration fees. There is no try out fee.

If you are interested in participating in any of the three programs for high school boys please register online now. Those who wish to try out for the half season Valley League team should register no later than Wednesday April 8<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions about any of this please contact David Hennessey at [hennessey.david@comcast.net](mailto:hennessey.david@comcast.net)



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