



HOCKEY SASKATCHEWAN

Membership Presentation

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

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Land Acknowledgement

Before we begin, Hockey Saskatchewan wants to start by acknowledging that we have viewers joining us from across the province whose work reaches lands covered by Treaties 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10, the traditional lands of the Cree, Dakota, Dene, Lakota, Nakota and Saulteaux peoples, as well as homeland of the Métis.

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Presentation Agenda

Hockey Saskatchewan Membership Presentation Agenda:

- Minor Hockey Association (MHA) Matching Grant
- The Shift Forward
- Culture & Inclusion Initiatives
- Registration
- Coaching Development
- Officiating Development Program
- Grassroots Programming
- Sask First (High-performance Program)
- 2026 SHHOF Induction Dinner Announced
- 2027 Hockey Day in Saskatchewan Application Open
- Hockey Saskatchewan Awards

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MHA Matching Grant

4th MHA Matching Grant Program Closing Soon For 2025-26 Season

Hockey Saskatchewan's Minor Hockey Association (MHA) Matching Grant Program is back for the 2025-26 season. It will once again be in support of hiring power skating instructors or to have a local person trained to be a power skating instructor to assist in player development with a matching grant of up to \$1,000.00.

IMPORTANT:

- One application per MHA will be accepted and the MHA must match the grant received.
- Power skating services must be targeted towards the Under-7 to Under-13 age groups within an MHA and must have occurred from September to December 2025.
- Power skating certification must be obtained by December 31, 2025.
- Online grant applications **NOW** are open until February 28, 2026.

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MHA Matching Grant

Power skating instructors must possess the following certification in order for an MHA to qualify for the grant:

Required Training

1. Respect in Sport Activity Leader

Plus, one of the five designations below

a) Hockey Canada Certified Skills Coach (Level 3)

Delivered by Hockey Canada

Topics include: Skating, Skills, Defence, Shooting & Scoring

Hockey Network APP training

Application process to attend, hosted biannually by Hockey Canada

b) Hockey Saskatchewan Licensee

Recognized by Hockey Saskatchewan in these categories: power skating, skills, power skating, skills, checking, developing defence, goaltending.

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MHA Matching Grant

c) CanPower Skate - Delivered by Skate Canada

d) Hockey Saskatchewan Skills Coach Level

e) Hockey Saskatchewan Skating Coach (**NOW CLOSED**)

Certification clinics held on September 27 in Saskatoon and on October 4 in Caronport.

Course material will be from Hockey Canada; Skating 1a, Skating 1 & Skating 2.

Ice sessions to target, edges, striding & transitions.

Additional class sessions include: use of technology, skill progressions & skill analysis.

10 lesson plans are being developed for attendees.

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Hockey Canada | The Shift Forward

Hockey Canada has created a new online program, *The Shift Forward: Evolving Hockey Culture*, to replace the Respect in Sport Program that has been in place for several years.

This Program is a new home for national education and training courses for sanctioned hockey in Canada.

For the 2026-27 season courses will be available for new coaches, rostered staff, officials, parents and guardians.

As a new program to replace the Respect in Sport, Hockey Canada will continue to recognize existing certification from Respect in Sport and an equivalent as part of a multi-year phased-in approach before all participants engaging with hockey will be required to complete *The Shift Forward* beginning in the 2028-29 season.

The launch of *The Shift Forward* followed an extensive consultation process that included a training needs analysis to review national education and training courses, and this new platform will reflect the overwhelming feedback that the courses should be age-appropriate, modernized, engaging, specific to how participants engage with hockey, and be progressive as they go through their hockey journey, with content that seeks to change unhealthy behaviours on and off the ice.

Watch for more information in the coming weeks through the Hockey Saskatchewan website and social media!

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Culture & Inclusion

Minor Hockey Association & League Resources

Check out *Minor Association Toolbox* on our website! – [CLICK HERE](#)

1. [Safe Environments Intervention Planning](#)
2. [Tournament Host Resource Guide](#)
3. [In-Game Public Address Announcement Recordings](#)
4. [Guidelines for Smartphones and Social Media Use in Team Environments](#)
5. [Mental Health Resources](#)

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Culture & Inclusion

Building Resiliency in Today's Youth Through Sport

- Hockey Saskatchewan webinar series led by Kyle McDonald
- Designed for athletes, parents/guardians, coaches, officials, and sport administrators
- Focus on practical tools to manage stress, build confidence, and support positive sport experiences

***NEW → Module 1, Session 3** now available: [CLICK HERE](#)



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Positive Coaching Alliance Resources

- Online courses and shareable resources for coaches, officials, parents/guardians, and athletes.
- Tips (parents, culture).
- Templates (team pledges, job descriptions).
- Guides (effective meetings, setting a positive culture).





Registration

2025-26 Provincial Playoffs:

- All series are now into semi-final rounds
- Finals will be completed between March 16-30

Registrations:

- Year-end MHA reconciliation is currently underway
- Expect a final invoice for the season in March
- Please have this paid by April 15

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Coaching Development

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Development 1 Clinic - Applications To Host

As we plan out next season's clinics, we will be circulating a hosting application to Minor Hockey Associations in the coming weeks.

Coach Mentorship Program

We are wrapping up the mentorship season and looking for reports from the associations that operated their own program. The deadline to submit a report is March 25.

Contact Hockey Saskatchewan's Senior Coordinator of Coaching, Blaine Stork, if you need more information:

Email: blaines@hockeysask.ca





Coaching Development

Coach High Performance 1 (HP1)

Application portal is now open on Hockey Saskatchewan's website!

<https://hockeysask.ca/coaches/clinics/high-performance-1-certification-program>

Deadline for application is April 15.

Should you be successful, you will be contacted by April 17, and full payment will be due April 20.

Should you not be successful in the selection, you will be notified by email.

Hockey Saskatchewan-branch coaches: \$1,000 (GST included)

2026 HP1 Seminar Schedule:

- May 20 – Virtual orientation & group session
- May 22 to 24 – HP1 national virtual weekend
- June 5 to 7 – HP1 in-person seminar at Regina

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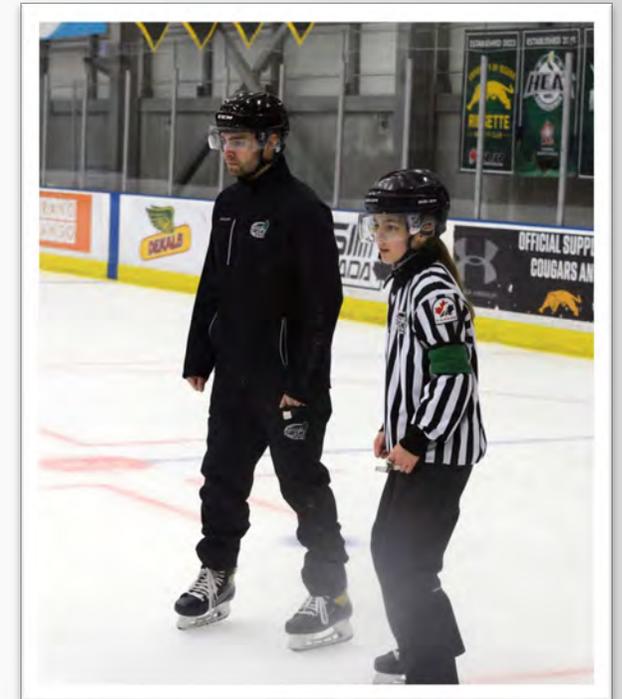




Officiating Development Program

- **Congratulations to the 4 Olympic Officials from Saskatchewan**
 - Alex Clarke
 - Cianna Murray
 - Michelle McKenna
 - Tarrington Wyonzek
- **2026-27 Official Clinic Host Applications**
 - Minor Hockey Association will receive information about applying and booking their Level 1 clinics and Level 2 ice sessions in March. Communities are selected on a 3-year rotation to host clinics.
- **2026-27 First Whistle: Officiating Support Program**
 - <https://www.hockeycanada.ca/en-ca/hockey-programs/officiating/first-whistle>
- **Officiating Resources**
 - Western Canada Officiating Development Partnership videos, Hockey Canada's Rule of the Week, and [more](#).

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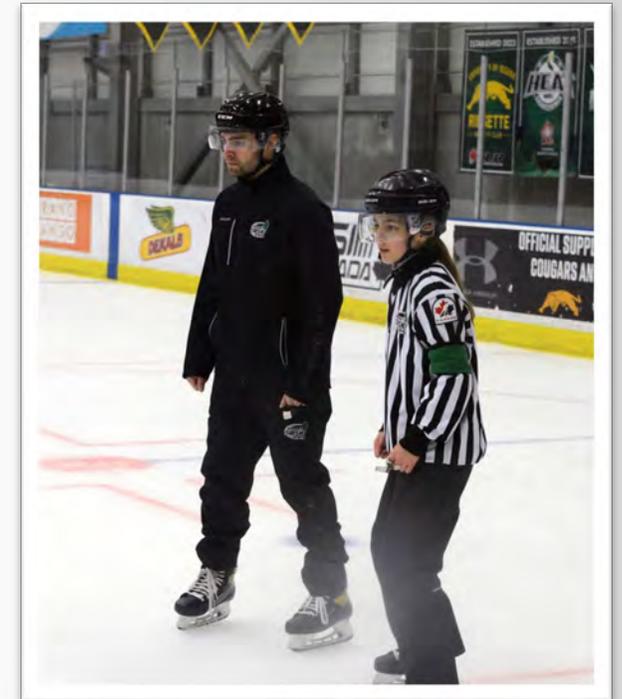




Officiating Development Program

- **MHA Official Consistency Standards – Minimum Expectations of MHAs Moving Forward:**
 - Name a local Referee-in-Chief or Director of Officiating.
 - Communicate with officials and all members of your MHA.
 - Centralized assignor for officials with a supporting platform.
 - Official coaching to provide development and support.
 - Apply for clinics and/or ice sessions and find ways to get officials to neighbouring communities.
 - Monitor the attendance at clinics and certification requirements of officials.
 - Create a community-specific plan for official recruitment and retention.
 - Promote Sask First and other development camp opportunities for officials to advance.
 - Be an advocate for developing officials with task team members and other assignors.

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Grassroots Programming

(Under-9/Under-11) Female Festivals

- Due to low registrations, the event scheduled for Davidson (March 14-15) is CANCELLED.

(Under-13) Female Futures

2026 Dates Confirmed:

- Camp: April 24-26, 2026 (Regina)
- Tournament: May 8-10, 2026 (Regina)
- Registrations are open.
 - Goalies are at maximum registrations.
 - There are a few openings left at the forward and defender positions with a deadline of April 10th, 2026, to register.

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Grassroots Programming

NEW: Male Under-13 Prospects

Another brand-new grassroots program will begin in the spring of 2026. Male U13 Prospects will mirror the Female Futures program with a camp and tournament weekend.

- Registration for this program is full; however, there is a waitlist available in all three positions.

Dates Confirmed:

- Camp: April 3-5, 2026 (Regina)
- Tournament: April 10-12, 2026 (Regina)

LINK → <https://hockeysask.ca/programs/development-programs/sask-first-male-under-13-u13-prospects>

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Sask First (High Performance)

Sask First Programming Dates For 2025-26 Season

- Top 136 Female Under-16 Selections - [CLICK HERE](#)
- Top 80 Female Under-18 Selections - [CLICK HERE](#)
- Top 160 Male Under-18 Selections - [CLICK HERE](#)

April 2026:

- April 3-5, 2026 – Female U16 (born 2011/2012) Top 136 Tournament in Regina.
- April 10-12, 2026 – Female U18 (born 2009/2010) Top 80 Tournament in Balgonie.
- April 10-12, 2026 – Male U18 (born 2010, 2009, 2008) Top 160 Tournament in Regina.

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Saskatchewan Hockey Hall of Fame

The 2026 Ted Knight Saskatchewan Hockey Hall of Fame Induction Dinner will be hosted in Moose Jaw at Temple Gardens Centre (Curling Rink) on June 19, 2026.

The hosting partner for this year's banquet is the Moose Jaw Warriors.

CLASS OF 2026 SHHOF INDUCTEES

Player Category:

- Edward "Ed" Staniowski
- Brenden Morrow
- Kelly Bechard
- Douglas "Doug" Smail

Official Category:

- William "Kent" Stuart*

Team Category:

- 1984-85 Moose Jaw Generals (Senior AA)

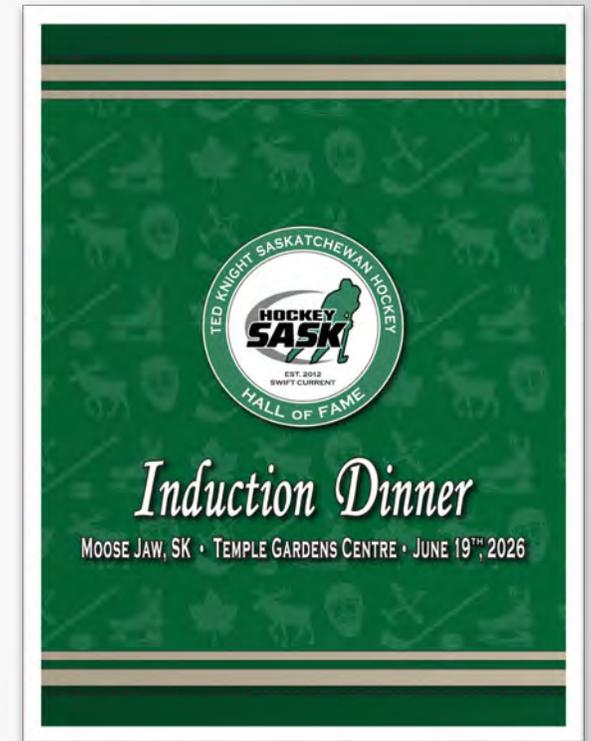
Grassroots Category:

- Jim Large

•(*Denotes inductee is deceased)

Ticket information for the June banquet will be announced in the near future.

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Hockey Day in Saskatchewan

Hockey Day in Saskatchewan (HDIS) will be hosted in Zone #7 (North-West) in 2027. The dates for the event will be January 11-17, 2027.

We are now accepting applications from Zone #7.

Click [HERE](#) for information and how to apply.



Since 2008: Over \$1.8 million has been raised across 19 communities at HDIS events.

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Hockey Saskatchewan Awards

Nominate for the 2025-26 Hockey Saskatchewan Awards!

The Hockey Saskatchewan Awards are given annually to volunteers, coaches and Minor Hockey Associations in recognition of their efforts in promoting and improving the game of hockey within the province.

The following four (4) awards are given out:

- Outstanding Coach - [Nomination Form](#)
- Outstanding North Volunteer (Zones 5-8) - [Nomination Form](#)
- Outstanding South Volunteer (Zones 1-4) - [Nomination Form](#)
- Minor Hockey Association of Distinction - [Nomination Form](#)

PAST WINNERS: <https://hockeysask.ca/about/awards>

DEADLINE TO APPLY IS APRIL 15th, 2026.

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