2018 DC PROSPECTS

The 2018 Director's Cup Prospects program will begin with rural regional selections held late-January to early-February; contact your home region for tryout information such as dates, times, and tryout fees. Information regarding Winnipeg registration & selection process will be posted in late-January. Each Region must submit a list of 18 skaters, 2 goalies + option of up to 6 additional alternates to participate in the DC Prospects program (male players born in 2004). The rural skills curriculum will begin Mid-March and will conclude beginning of May, culminating with the Director's Cup Prospects Tournament held May 4-6, 2018 in Winnipeg.

"IT'S A TRUE PLAYER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM"

DEVELOPMENT CURRICULUM



Each region will have a designated DC Prospects coaching staff to deliver the 6-week development curriculum that embodies key concepts from Hockey Manitoba & Hockey Canada. Players will participate in both on-ice and off-ice sessions that are designed to cover key skills and concepts needed at the Major Bantam level leading into the U-16 Program of Excellence and junior draft year (MJHL, WHL) while building a strong foundation for Midget, Junior, and into National team programs.

EXHIBITION DEVELOPMENT TOURNAMENTS

There will be two exhibition development tournaments hosted (East, West) in late March where players will participate alongside their regional peers as a team. Each team will play 2 games during this period along with 2 development sessions and includes a coach seminar. Each local DC Prospects coaching staff will coach their home region at this event. 2018 sites; Yellowhead (West), Eastman (East).

PROSPECTS TOURNAMENT

Players will participate on mixed-regional rosters for the Director's Cup Prospects Tournament providing an identical experience to the U-16 POE Spring Tournament and a key character building opportunity. Players and coaches will be assigned to 12 teams to compete in 4 games over the tournament weekend. The 2018 tournament will be held May 4-6, 2018 in Winnipeg.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Once identified/selected by your home region all players will be provided a web link for the central registration portal hosted by Hockey Manitoba. The portal will include online registration form, online payment (credit card only), and option to purchase program apparel. Standardized program fees province-wide include program items such as: ice time, off-ice sessions, facilities, practice jerseys, game jerseys, socks, honorariums for program staff, player/coach apparel, coach development resources, player development resources, tournament fees. Province-wide standard fees will be appx. \$459 per player for the 6-week program & tournament. Additional fees from your home Region will be required for value-added costs specific to your Region (ie. coach mileage, extra facilities, extra group events, etc). Fees for Alternates and for Winnipeg program TBA.

WHL POE SKILLS COMBINE

Players participating in the DC Prospects program will be eligible for the WHL POE Skills Combine hosted in August (dates TBD) by Hockey Manitoba and the WHL. The combine will feature 120 players selected from the DC Prospects program participating in skills & fitness testing using state-of-the-art technology by Sport Testing Inc, plus additional skills practices, and inter-squad games. All skills/fitness testing results are instantly uploaded into the WHL scouting database for member clubs to evaluate and compare. Once selected, player registration for the combine is appx. \$335.