



CHICAGO MISSION

TIER I AAA YOUTH HOCKEY

To Whom It May Concern:

We appreciate you taking the time to learn more about the Chicago Mission AAA Hockey Club and the commitment made by the student-athlete and family presenting you with this letter.

The Chicago Mission is one of the premier Tier I AAA hockey organizations in North America, providing elite developmental opportunities for boys and girls from ages 8 through 19. Our athletes compete against the highest level of competition across the United States and Canada, requiring significant travel throughout the season.

Unlike many other high school sports, elite hockey is not sponsored through Illinois elementary or secondary schools. As a result, student-athletes who aspire to compete at the highest levels must participate with independent organizations such as the Chicago Mission to receive the development, competition, and exposure necessary to pursue opportunities beyond youth hockey.

The commitment required of our players and their families is substantial. Throughout the season, athletes participate in multiple weekly on-ice practices, off-ice strength and conditioning sessions, and a demanding game schedule. Teams regularly travel to compete in premier events across North America, with tournaments often requiring departures before the end of the school week. Depending on the event schedule, games may begin as early as Friday morning, and occasionally on Thursday, resulting in unavoidable school absences.

While our athletes are passionate about hockey and many dream of competing at the collegiate, professional, or international level, our primary objective is to prepare them for success as student-athletes. We emphasize that academics always come first. Our coaching staff consistently reinforces the importance of maintaining strong academic performance, personal responsibility, and time management—skills that are essential both on and off the ice.

We are proud that a significant number of Chicago Mission alumni have gone on to compete in collegiate hockey while earning college degrees. Many former players have also advanced to professional hockey and have represented their countries in international competition, including World Championships and the Olympic Games. These accomplishments reflect not only athletic achievement, but also the discipline and commitment developed throughout their time with our program.



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We recognize and fully respect the importance of education. Enclosed is a schedule outlining the anticipated travel dates that may require this student-athlete to miss school. We are providing this information in advance with the hope that you will consider reasonable accommodations for assignments, exams, or other academic obligations when possible.

We do not ask for special treatment or lowered academic expectations. In fact, if a student-athlete is not meeting academic standards or is struggling to balance school responsibilities with athletics, we fully support the school's expectations and accountability. Success in the classroom is a fundamental expectation of participation in our program.

To help our athletes succeed academically while traveling, our teams schedule dedicated study time during trips whenever possible, and our training facility provides quiet study areas where players can complete schoolwork before and after practices.

We greatly appreciate your understanding and support as we work together to provide these young men and women with the opportunity to pursue excellence both academically and athletically. By fostering a cooperative partnership between families, schools, and our organization, we can help ensure that each student-athlete reaches their full potential in the classroom, in competition, and in life.

If you have any questions regarding our program or this student's participation, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Gino Cavallini

President

Chicago Mission AAA Hockey Club

Student-Athlete: _____

TRAVEL INFORMATION

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Parent Signature: _____

Parent Name: _____
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Parent Phone: _____