

HOCKEY CLUB PROGRAMMING



INTRODUCING OUR CLUB

Our mission is to promote the growth of youth hockey in the Smoky Mountain region and create a fun, safe, and supportive environment for players of all skill levels.

We are dedicated to fostering a love of the game and helping young athletes reach their full potential, both on and off the ice. With experienced coaches, a committed facility, and a dedication to excellence, we are confident that Smoky Mountain Wild will provide experiences, development and memories for youth hockey players in the region for years to come. Join us on this exciting new journey and discover the joy of hockey with Smoky Mountain Wild!

MISSION:

The Knoxville Amateur Hockey Association (KAHA) strives to provide a safe, competitive and fun-filled experience for our youth players that gives them a platform to develop on the ice and prepare them for lifelong success outside the rink.

OUR MOTTO:

At Smoky Mountain Wild, our motto is more than just words - it's a way of life on and off the ice!

#workhard, #havefun, #beagoodteammate is our guiding principle for creating a positive and rewarding experience for our young hockey players.



WORK HARD. HAVE FUN. BE A GOOD TEAMMATE.

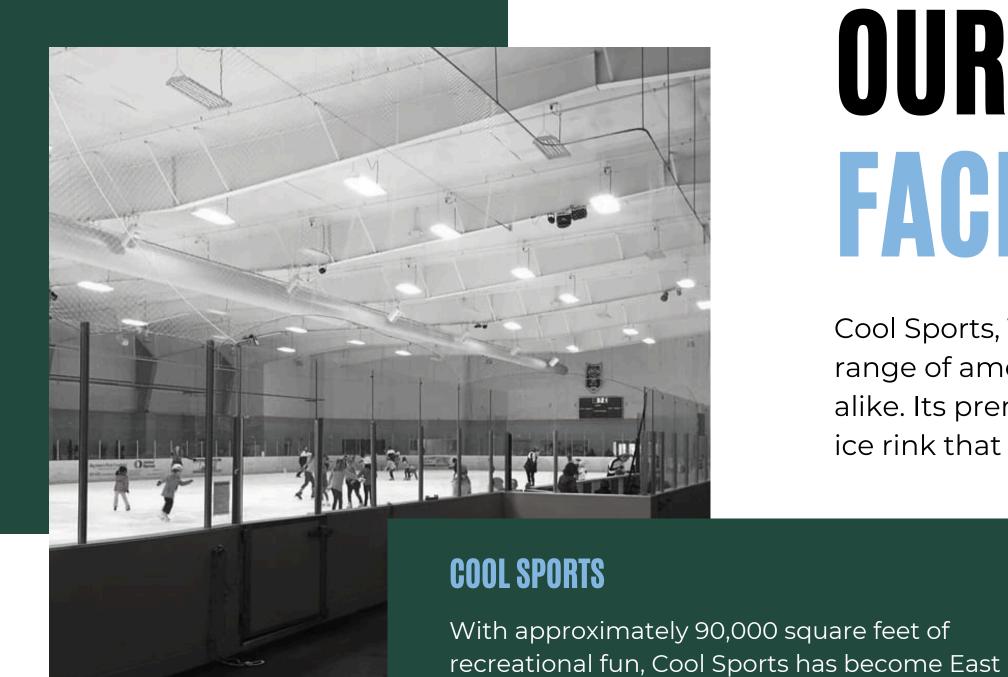
We believe that hard work is essential to success, both in hockey and in life. Our coaches are dedicated to helping our players develop their skills, build their endurance, and reach their full potential on the ice.

But we also know that hockey is meant to be fun! We encourage our players to enjoy the game, make new friends, and create memories that will last a lifetime. From post-game parties to team outings and community outreach we believe that having fun is just as important as working hard.

Finally, we believe that being a good teammate is crucial to achieving success both on and off the ice. We teach our players the importance of respect, sportsmanship, and teamwork, and encourage them to support and encourage each other both on and off the ice.

So, whether you're a seasoned player or just starting out, come join us at Smoky Mountain Wild and experience the joy of hockey with our fun-loving and hard-working team!





Tennessee's total sports destination.

OUR FAGILITY



Cool Sports, TN is a sports facility that offers a wide range of amenities for both athletes and spectators alike. Its premier attraction is the Icearium, a premier ice rink that features:

NHL-SIZE ICE RINK:

The Icearium features a regulationsized ice that is an NHL-sized 85 X 200 feet rink.

SUPPORTING PARTNERS

We are proud to partner with youth hockey organizations across the country to support the development and growth of young athletes. Our partners provide top-notch coaching and training programs, as well as opportunities for players to compete and showcase their skills on the ice.

Through our collaboration, we aim to inspire the next generation of hockey players and promote the values of teamwork, discipline, and sportsmanship. Together, we are committed to building a strong and vibrant hockey community that will thrive for years to come.



Warrior Sports is an American sports equipment manufacturer based in Warren, Michigan and the official equipment and apparel partner of the Smoky Mountain Wild.



Crossbar is a league and club scheduling and management platform used by hundreds of sports teams and programs across the Nation.



The Southern Youth Travel Hockey League (SYTHL) is a competitive youth ice hockey league consisting of teams from various cities in the southern United States. The league was founded with the goal of providing a high-quality and competitive hockey experience for youth players in the region.



Southeastern Showcase League (SESCL) is a new competitive league for USA Hockey Elite Tier II teams to play where not only is competition stressed but also the principals to keep players from missing school and parents saving money on travel and lodging.

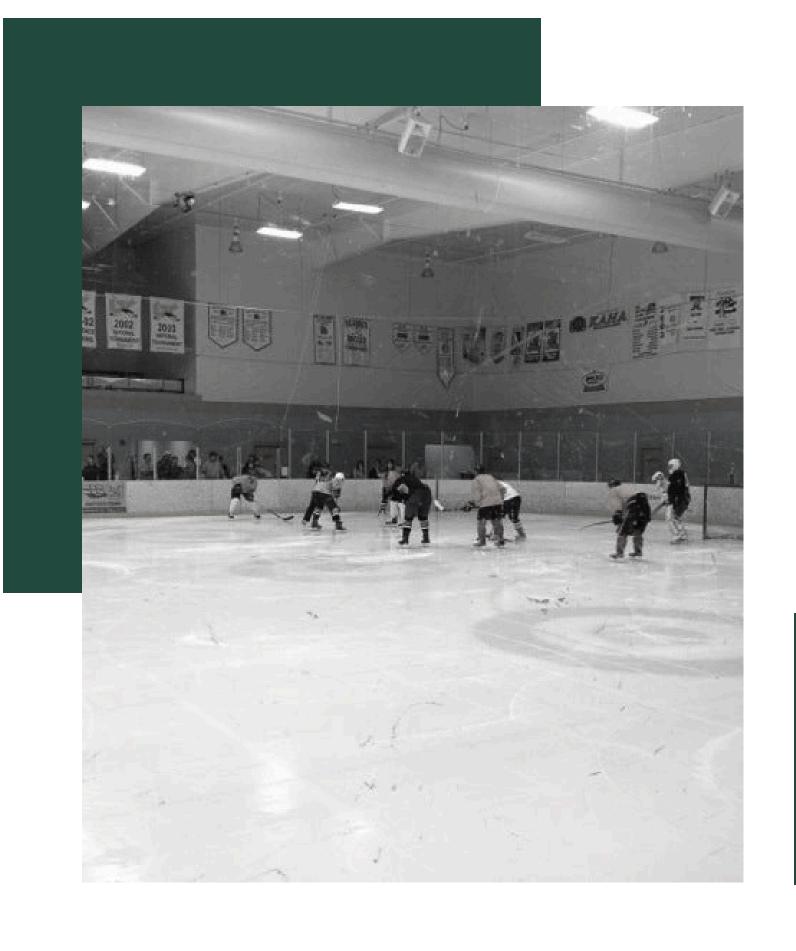
SMOKY MOUNTAIN WILL PREP TEAMS

Our Smoky Mountain Prep program at age groups 8U to 14U will compete in the Southern Youth Travel Hockey League A2 Division (SYTHL) in addition to all players participating in the Knoxville Amateur Hockey Association (KAHA) Rec/House league. The Prep group will practice weekly and play in at least 2-3 tournaments out of town.

Prep is considered the first step to playing travel hockey. It gives players a taste of what travel hockey is like. Prep is for the more experienced players looking for a higher level of competition and players are selected based on tryouts. Prep Tryouts occur in the Summer for 10U-14U and the Fall for 8U of each year for the following/current season.

*The hockey season costs and structure can vary widely depending on a few key factors, including the number of players on a team and the team's competitive level. When there are fewer players, individual costs tend to be higher, since expenses like ice time, tournament fees, coaching stipends, and travel are split among fewer families. Travel teams typically have more demanding schedules, travel farther for tournaments, and often receive advanced training—leading to increased overall costs. In contrast, Prep teams usually compete more locally, which helps keep travel expenses down. Our season generally runs from August through mid-march and includes consistent practices, multiple tournaments, and off-ice training. All team fees are estimated based on make up and skill levels of the players.





PREP TRYOUTS

Youth hockey tryouts are an essential part of the player selection process and are designed to evaluate a player's skill level, athleticism, and ability to work as part of a team. Participants and families can expect a challenging and competitive environment upheld by our panel of independent evaluators who grade and score each player equally before rosters are selected.

PREP TRYOUTS 25-26 SEASON

Prep tryouts are scheduled for Sunday, June 8th for 10U, 12U & 14U.

Mite (8U) Select Tryouts will be in the Fall. Tryout sign ups will be available on the KAHA website, wildhockeytn.com



SMW 2025-2026 PREP FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

*Personal travel fees are not included and each player's responsibility

8U PREP

8U players are required to play rec league in order to participate in Preps. Players will play in the Advanced Mites Rec league. See below for Prep League additions.

INCLUDED:

SMW weekly shared practices Rec League Fees Included 3 - 4 Tournaments (out of town)

ESTIMATED SEASON FEE:

8U PREP - \$1,500

EXTRAS:

Jersey/Sock/Tracksuit (not included)
Branded Equipment
(can be purchased separately)

10U - 14U PREP

ALL players are required to play rec league in order to participate in Preps. See below for Prep League additions.

INCLUDED:

SMW weekly shared practices
Rec League Fees Included
4-5 league weekends including 1 at home (4 games each)
1 league championship weekend (4 games)
2 - 3 Tournaments (out of town)

ESTIMATED SEASON FEE:

10U PREP - \$2,600 12U PREP - \$2,800 14U PREP - \$3,000

EXTRAS:

Jersey/Sock/Tracksuit (not included)
Branded Equipment
(can be purchased separately)

SMOKY MOUNTAIN WILD TRAVEL TEAMS

Classified as Tier 2 by USA Hockey, our Smoky Mountain Wild teams from 10U to 18U compete in the Southern Youth Travel Hockey League (SYTHL) and/or Southeastern Showcase League (SESCL) which includes 4 league weekends per season in addition to the league championship in February. Opponents in the SYTHL/SESCL range from Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and other surrounding Southeastern states.

Wild travel teams also compete in 4-5 tournaments per season in addition to exhibition or friendly games against targeted opponents based on skill level and scheduling.

The number of Tier 2 travel teams KAHA will declare each season is dependent on volume and skill level of age appropriate players attending tryouts. Try outs for each season are typically held early May.

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TRAVEL TRYOUTS

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TRAVEL TRYOUTS 25-26 SEASON

16U/18U - May 6th & 8th 10U/12U/14U - May 9-10th Tryouts held at Cool Sports.



SMW 2025-2026 TRAVEL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

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10U TRAVEL

GAMES & PRACTICES:

40 - 50 Estimated Games
2 SMW practices per week
Additional biweekly skills sessions
16 - 24 SYTHL/SESCL Travel League games
4-5 Tournaments (including leveling)
Dryland Training (at coaches discretion)

INCLUDED:

Paid Head Coach per team - (if suitable candidate), Video/Classroom Sessions - (at coach discretion), Goalie specific training available, Practice jersey and socks, league fees, tournament fees, KAHA operating expenses - website, insurance, etc.

ESTIMATED SEASON FEES:

Season Fees

\$3,000 - \$3500

EXTRAS:

Jersey/Sock/Tracksuit (not included) Branded Equipment (can be purchased separately)

12U TRAVEL

GAMES & PRACTICES:

40- 50 Estimated Games
2 SMW practices per week
Additional biweekly skills sessions
16 - 24 SYTHL/SESCL Travel League or SESCL Travel League games
4-5 Tournaments (including min. 1 at home)
Dryland Training (at coaches discretion)

INCLUDED:

Paid Head Coach per team - (if suitable candidate), Video/Classroom Sessions - (at coach discretion), Goalie specific training available, Practice jersey and socks, league fees, tournament fees, KAHA operating expenses - website, insurance, etc.

ESTIMATED SEASON FEES:

Season Fees

\$3,250 - \$3875

EXTRAS:

Jersey/Sock/Tracksuit (not included) Branded Equipment (can be purchased separately)

NOTE – all Smoky Mountain Wild goalies are half price not including apparel and equipment.

^{*}All travel players required to purchase forest green helmet. KAHA has a small stock of Adult Small & Large Warrior helmets. Helmets do not have to be brand specific, just correct color.

SMW 2025-2026 TRAVEL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

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14U TRAVEL

16U / 18U TRAVEL

GAMES & PRACTICES:

40 - 50 Estimated Games 2 SMW practices per week Additional biweekly skills sessions 16 - 24 SYTHL/SESCL Travel League games 5 Tournaments (including min. 1 at home) Dryland Training (at coaches discretion)

INCLUDED:

Paid Head Coach per team - (if suitable candidate), Video/Classroom Sessions - (at coach discretion), Goalie specific training available, Practice jersey and socks, league fees, tournament fees, KAHA operating expenses - website, insurance, etc.

INVESTMENT:

Season Fees

\$3,550 - \$4150

EXTRAS:

Jersey/Sock/Tracksuit (not included) Branded Equipment (can be purchased separately)

GAMES & PRACTICES:

45 - 55 Estimated Games
2 SMW practices per week
Additional biweekly skills sessions
16 - 24 SYTHL/SESCL Travel League games
5 Tournaments
Dryland Training (at coaches discretion)

INCLUDED:

Paid Head Coach per team - (if suitable candidate), Video/Classroom Sessions - (at coach discretion), Goalie specific training available, Practice jersey and socks, league fees, tournament fees, KAHA operating expenses - website, insurance, etc.

INVESTMENT:

Season Fees

\$3,650 - \$4250

EXTRAS:

Jersey/Sock/Tracksuit (not included)
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UNIFORMS, APPAREL & EQUIPMENT

Welcome to the Smoky Mountain Wild Travel Hockey Program! To ensure our players are fully equipped and looking sharp for the season, we've outlined the uniforms, apparel, and equipment. Please review the details below to understand the financial requirements. *Our Prep players can purchase apparel & branded equipment separately.*

Mandatory Team Apparel (not included in team fees):

- Home/Away Jersey & Socks (if needed)
- SMW Team Track Suit
- SMW Warm up shirt, shorts & polo
- SMW Pant shell (if needed)

Included in team fees:

- Practice Jersey
- Practice Socks





All travel players are required to purchase a forest green helmet. KAHA has a limited stock of Adult Small & Large Warrior helmets. Helmets do not have to be brand-specific, but must be the correct color.

Helmets:

• Stock Helmets: \$75 each

Gloves:

• Junior Gloves: \$100

• Senior Gloves: \$110

Bags:

• Medium (Squirt/Peewee): \$75

• Large (Bantam and above): \$80

• Goalie Bag: \$85

For any questions regarding the purchase of these items or to inquire about sizing and availability, please contact KAHA's Merchandise/Equipment Coordinator.

Rob Link | Merchandise/Equipment Coordinator: roblink44@gmail.com

Mandatory Team Equipment (not included in fees):

- Helmet (must be forest green)
- SMW gloves (if needed)
- SMW Warrior Bag (if needed)

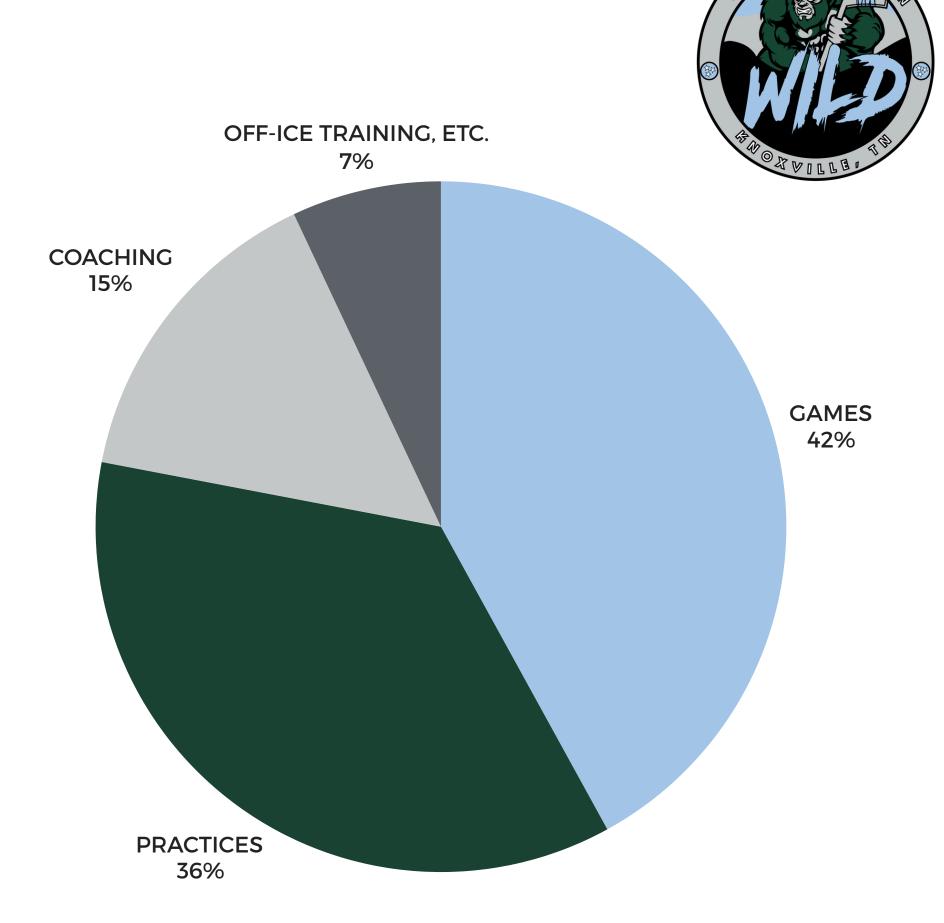


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SMW 2025-2026 FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN

- GAMES
- PRACTICES
- COACHING
- OFF-ICE TRAINING, ETC.

Equipment and apparel costs are excluded from the breakdown. The total cost varies depending on whether children are reusing existing gear or purchasing entirely new equipment.



MEET THE WILD LEADERSHIP TEAM



Hockey Director, KAHA



Travel Coordinator, KAHA

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