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Dear OPRF Huskies Hockey Community -

We hope you enjoy our 2017-18 OPRF Huskies Hockey Ad Book. This project is a collaborative effort involving the support of our players, their families and the community at large. We are proud to share another exciting hockey season with our Oak Park and River Forest High School Hockey community.

A special thank you to our advertisers for their contributions to this Ad Book which provides financial support for the hockey program. Please keep these businesses in mind when you find a need for their services or products.

The OPRF Huskies Hockey Club is dedicated to the development of its players both on and off the ice. Our coaching staff focuses on hard work, team play, sportsmanship, and responsibility. As a club, we also value our players' strong commitment to academic excellence and community service. We are proud that many of our players are regularly on the OPRF Honor Roll. In addition to sports and academics, OPRF Hockey Club players volunteer with community organizations, including work with the Oak Park River Forest Food Pantry, the Hornets Sled Hockey Team, and other charitable events as you'll see in these pages.

Our Varsity and Junior Varsity teams are enjoying a great season of competitive play. We hope that you will have the opportunity to catch an upcoming game. This Ad Book is filled with information about our teams, including player photos, coaches information, schedules and annual events.

Finally, a special thank you to our club parents for supporting their young athletes, the club, and our community. Your volunteer time and long hours in the cold are well appreciated.

**Go Huskies!**

The OPRF Huskies Hockey Club Board



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## VARSITY COACHES

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### Coach Dave Dyson

Coach Dyson is in his fifth year as the Hockey Director and Varsity head coach for OPRF Hockey and his 11th year as a high school coach in Illinois. Dave grew up and played hockey in Buffalo, New York including as a high school player at St. Joe's Collegiate. He continued playing hockey for four years as part of the ACHA hockey program at West Virginia. He was Rookie of the Year his freshman year and an alternate captain the following three years and graduated as the all time leading scorer for defensemen.

Coach Dyson was named the Illinois West Coach of the Year in 2012, received the Lori Maly Distinguished Service Award in 2010, and has been named the Head Coach of the Team Illinois America's Showcase team the last three years. "Coaching hockey at this level is about more than developing better hockey players," said Dyson. "It's about developing better people. Over 80-percent of our kids were on the honor roll last year and we'll expect a strong commitment to academics and community service during the 2016-2017 season."



### Coach Steve Meagher

Coach Meagher is in his fifth year as Varsity Coach. Steve has been involved with hockey as either a player or coach for over 30 years. A native of Binghamton, New York, Steve grew up playing in NY's Southern Tier Hockey Association and went on to play four years of ACHA hockey at West Virginia University. Coach Meagher spent five years as the Assistant Varsity Coach for Bartlett Wildhawks Hockey Program, where he helped numerous players achieve All-State and Showcase honors while also helping to lead the Wildhawks to the Combined Division's Blackhawk Cup State Championship Game in 2012 and the semi-finals in 2013.

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**VARSITY**



Back Row (left to right): RJ Jones, Grey Burton, Sam Guillot, Harrison Proctor, Spencer Smith, Liam Burns, Hank Burkett, Conor Roy, Max Goldstein, Sam Pecenka

Front Row (left to right): Will DeCaro, Brett Johnson, Will Belke, Owen Metric, Patrick Schmidt, PJ Gonzalez, Kevin Vanek, Avery Andersen, Abraham Berlin

Missing from photo: Max Pecenka





# 2017 - 2018 VARSITY TEAM



**Avery Andersen**  
Defense  
Junior

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**Liam Burns**  
Forward  
Senior

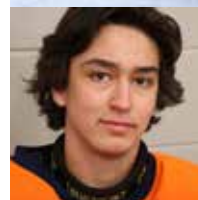
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**Grey Burton**  
Defense  
Freshman

74



**Will DeCaro**  
Goalie  
Sophomore

38





**Will Belke**  
Forward  
Sophomore

16



**Abraham Berlin**  
Goalie  
Junior

30



**Hank Burkett**  
Forward  
Junior

9



**Max Goldstein**  
Forward  
Senior

6



**Peter Gonzalez**  
Forward  
Senior

13

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**Sam Guillot**  
Defense  
Junior

19






**Brett Johnson**  
Forward  
Sophomore

42




**RJ Jones**  
Forward  
Sophomore

77




**Owen Metric**  
Forward  
Junior

11




**Harrison Proctor**  
Forward  
Junior

5




**Conor Roy**  
Forward  
Junior

61




**Patrick Schmidt**  
Forward  
Senior

23





**Max Pecenka**  
Defense  
Senior

34



**Sam Pecenka**  
Forward  
Sophomore

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**Spencer Smith**  
Defense  
Senior

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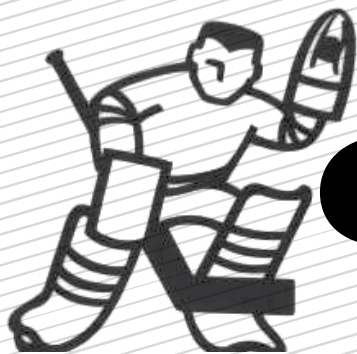
**Kevin Vanek**  
Defense  
Senior

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## JR VARSITY COACHES

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### Coach Christopher Marzec

A native of the Chicago area, Coach Marzec grew up competing for and against many of the same clubs that Huskie players come from today. Marzec brings a wide range of coaching experience with him that extends from Mite House through the High School Varsity Level.

Coach Marzec is best known for his work reviving the Lane Tech High School Program after an approximate 20 year hiatus. Marzec served as the President, Hockey Director and Varsity Head Coach for three seasons before stepping down to pursue other career opportunities. In his time with the program, Coach Marzec's successes included the 2014 Illinois High School Hockey League Burton Cup Championship, advancing to the Elite 8 of the 2014 Illinois High School State Tournament's respective division, selection to the Illinois High School Hockey League Hayes Division 2015 Varsity All Star Coaching Staff and advancing several players to the College / Junior hockey level.

Coach Marzec is looking forward to taking on a coaching role with the Huskies Junior Varsity this season. Marzec strongly believes in developing essential attributes for these student athletes that will provide them with a solid foundation for their future successes on and off the ice.



### Coach Anthony Petersen

A teacher by trade, Coach Petersen brings his vast teaching and coaching experiences to the OPRF Huskies JV team. After playing hockey for most of his life, Coach Petersen will begin his first year with the Huskies after coaching for over ten years. He has coached several youth teams and jumped over to high school hockey in 2009 to coach Guerin/ Nazareth's hockey club JV & Varsity teams.

After bringing Hinsdale Central's JV team to the Blackhawk Cup Championship game, Petersen moved on to coach the Dupage Stars Junior Varsity team for three years which included a runner-up place in the Junior Varsity ISHL championship in 2017.

Coach Petersen's coaching philosophy is simple — Put in the hard work and put the team first. He is excited and honored to be a part of the OPRF Huskie Family.



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**JR VARSITY**



Back Row (left to right): Oliver Haussmann, Logan Greifelt, Jack DeAlba, Jackson Cushing, Casey Locke, Owen Hess

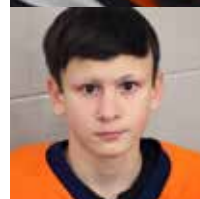
Middle Row (left to right): Coach Anthony Petersen, Maarten Lempia, Jamie Bell, Sam Weinberg, Ben Bliss, Ezra Batia, Anders Lempia, Coach Christopher Marzec

Front Row (left to right): Matt Watson, Elliot Bajo, Joe Flatley, Julian Zadlo, Zack Heyer, Richard Campbell, Ralph Charnota

Missing from photo: Hayden Smeaton



# 2017 - 2018 JUNIOR VARSITY TEAM



**Elliot Bajo**  
Forward  
Sophomore

21



**Richard Campbell**  
Forward  
Freshman

7



**Ralph Charnota**  
Goalie  
Sophomore

70



**Jackson Cushing**  
Forward  
Sophomore

47






**Ezra Batia**  
Defense  
Sophomore

15

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**Jamie Bell**  
Forward  
Freshman

91




**Ben Bliss**  
Forward  
Freshman

22




**Jack DeAlba**  
Forward  
Sophomore

94




**Joe Flatley**  
Defense  
Freshman

12




**Logan Greifelt**  
Forward  
Sophomore

50





**Oliver Haussmann**  
Defense  
Sophomore

8



**Owen Hess**  
Forward  
Freshman

25



**Zack Heyer**  
Forward  
Freshman

64



**Casey Locke**  
Forward  
Sophomore

44



**Hayden Smeaton**  
Goalie  
Freshman

1



**Matt Watson**  
Goalie  
Junior

40





**Anders Lempia**  
Defense  
Junior

65

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**Maarten Lempia**  
Defense  
Freshman

17



**Sam Weinberg**  
Forward  
Freshman

48



**Julian Zadlo**  
Defense  
Freshman

10



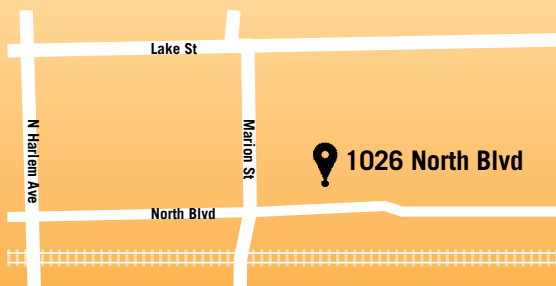


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# THE GAME

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Hockey is one of the fastest games on earth and is very easy to understand once you have a working knowledge of hockey's three basic rules (**icing**, **offside**, **offside pass**). These rules are designed to cut down on stalling, encourage teamwork and maintain the speed of the game.

Hockey games last approximately 60 minutes and are divided into three 17 minute **periods** (for High School). If games are tied, a 5 minute sudden death period is played. If the score remains tied after the overtime period, the game ends in a tie.

A team scores a **goal** when one of its players shoots the puck into his opponent's net with his stick. Players who help set up a goal receive an **assist**, but only two assists can be scored on a goal.

Each team places six players on the ice during normal situations. This is called **even strength**. When a penalty is called, the player who commits the infraction enters the penalty box for a specified amount of time. The team that gains the advantage is said to be on the **power play**. The team whose player was called for the penalty is said to be **shorthanded**. Thus, a team scoring with a man advantage scores a power play goal and a team scoring with one of its players in the penalty box scores a **shorthanded goal**. No team is forced to play more than two men below even strength at any time. On penalties called against the goalkeeper, a teammate serves his time in the penalty box.

Substitutions occur when teams **change lines**, which are set player combinations. A line is composed of a **left wing** — a **center** — and a **right wing**. Defensemen also have lines that consist of a **left defense** — and **right defense**. The **goaltender** remains on the ice at all times during the game. Teams usually carry four offensive lines and four defensive lines. **Shifts**, which is how long a line is on the ice before being substituted for, don't last very long. **Line changes** can be made during stoppages in play or **on the fly**, while the game is still in progress.

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## PLAYERS

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Hockey is played with six players on the ice for each team; five skaters, one goaltender. The typical roster size of a hockey team is twenty players; twelve forwards, 6 defensemen, and two goaltenders.

**GOALKEEPER:** Perhaps the toughest position in all of sports, the goalie is the one player who can control a team's confidence. His job is to keep the puck out of the net, and if he's good, he can take his team a long way. Good goalies win championships.

**DEFENSEMEN:** A team at full strength has two - one on the left side and another on the right. Nowadays, there are three primary kinds of defensemen. One is creative and offensive-minded; he likes to handle the puck and lead the team up ice, but is not too physical. Another is defensive-minded, a stay-at-home bruiser who plays a physical game and doesn't often venture out of his zone with the puck. And there are those rare athletes who are a combination of the two.

**CENTER:** He quarterbacks his club at both ends of the ice. Must be good at face-offs and passing, and it doesn't hurt if he's a good shot as well. Coaches want a lot of creativity in this position - and a lot of hockey smarts.

**RIGHT WING:** He works the right side of the ice for the most part. He needs to be a physical player who is good along the boards and in the corner. He is responsible for the opposition's left defenseman in the defensive zone.

**LEFT WING:** Traditionally a left-handed shot, but the NHL is seeing more right-handers playing this position now, a practice picked up from the Europeans. A right-hander has a better angle to shoot from when he's coming in on his wing. Like the right wing, he needs to be able to dig out the puck from the corners and battle in front of the net.

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## OFFICIALS

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**REFEREES:** The referee supervises the game, calls penalties, determines goals and administers faceoffs at center ice to start each period.

**LINESMEN:** Two linesmen are used per game and they call offsides, offsides passes, icing the puck, and handle all faceoffs, except those at center ice. They do not call penalties but can recommend to the referee that a penalty be called.

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## PENALTIES

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**MINOR PENALTY:** TWO MINUTE infraction is called for:

- boarding
- charging
- elbowing
- roughing
- holding
- hooking
- tripping
- spearing
- slashing

**MAJOR PENALTY:** FIVE MINUTE infraction is called for fighting or when minor penalties are committed with deliberate attempt to injure. The following major penalties carry automatic game misconducts:

- butt-ending
- cross-checking
- high sticking
- spearing
- slashing

**MISCONDUCT:** TEN MINUTE infraction levied for various forms of unsportsmanlike conduct, or when a player incurs a second major penalty in the same game. This is a penalty against an individual and not a team, so a substitute is permitted.

**DELAYED PENALTY:** When a referee calls a penalty on the defense and the offense maintains possession of the puck, the whistle signaling the penalty is delayed until the penalized team regains possession.





#### BOARDING / MINOR

When a player uses any method (body check, elbow, or tripping) to throw an opponent into the boards.



#### BUTT-ENDING

When a player who uses the butt-end of his stick to hit an opponent.



#### CHARGING / MINOR

When a player who runs, jumps into or charges an opponent, including the goalie, to make a body check.



#### CONTACT to HEAD

When any player contacts an opponent in the head, face or neck.



#### CROSS-CHECKING

When a player makes a check with both hands on the stick.



#### DELAY of PENALTY

When a penalty occurs, The Referee may signal a Delayed Penalty until the offending team gains possession of the puck.



#### DELAY OF GAME

Deliberately shooting or batting the puck outside the playing area or displacing the goals from its normal position.



#### ELBOWING / MINOR

When a player who uses their elbow in any way to foul an opponent.



#### ROUGHING / MINOR

When a player who subjects an opponent to intentional and unnecessary roughness.



#### HAND PASS

Play will be stopped when a player illegally passes the puck with their hand.



#### HIGH STICKING

When a player lifts their stick above shoulder height and hits an opponent.



#### HITTING from BEHIND

Player checks an opponent in the back when they are unaware of the hit coming, usually into the boards. A check from behind is a penalty and can lead to an ejection, depending on the severity of the hit.



#### HOLDING / MINOR

When a player who grabs and holds onto an opponent (or his stick) with his hands or arms to impede the opponent's progress.



#### HOLDING the STICK

Player intentionally holds an opposing player's stick in his hands (or any part of his body).



#### INTERFERENCE

When a player interferes with or impedes the progress of an opponent who does not have the puck.



#### HOOKING / MINOR

Using the blade of the stick to pull or tug an opponent by his body or stick.



#### ICING

When a player shoots the puck across both the center red line and the opposing team's goal line, and the puck remains untouched.



#### UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

Player who, in the Referee's judgment, does something unsportsmanlike.



#### TRIPPING / MINOR

Player places their stick, or a part of their body, under or around the feet or legs of an opponent causing the opponent to lose their balance.



#### KNEEING

When a player who uses their knee in any way to foul an opponent.



#### MISCONDUCT

When a player continues a fight after it has been stopped, or getting involved in a fight, or the use of profanity towards an Official.



#### SPEARING / MINOR

When a player stabs at an opponent with the blade of this stick, whether he makes contact or not.



#### SLASHING / MINOR

When a player who swings his stick at an opponent, whether or not contact is made.

# GLOSSARY

**BACK CHECKING:** A forward coming back into his defensive zone to check an opponent off the puck.

**BACKHANDLER:** Any shot or pass made with the stick turned around.

**BOARDING:** To ride or drive an opponent into the dasher boards. Can result in a minor or major penalty.

**BODY CHECK:** Use of the body on an opponent. It is legal when the opponent has possession of the puck or was the last player to have touched it.

**CHARGING:** Skating three strides or more and crashing into an opponent, illegal and calls for a penalty.

**CHECKING:** Defending against or guarding an opponent. On a line, right wing checks the other team's left wing and left wing checks the opposing right wing. Centers check each other. A checking call requires harassing an opposing skater with the aim of making him surrender the puck.

**CREASE:** The area directly in front of the goaltender. It is four feet wide and eight feet long and marked off by red lines and is painted light blue. Offensive players who do not have possession of the puck may not enter.

**DEKE:** To fake an opponent out of position.

**EMPTY NETTER:** A goal scored after the opposition has pulled its goalie for an extra skater.

**FACEOFF:** The dropping of the puck between one player from each team to start or resume play.

**FORECHECK:** To check an opponent in his end of the rink, preventing an offensive rush.

**FREEZING THE PUCK:** To hold the puck against the boards with either the stick or skate to get a stoppage of play.

**GOAL LINE:** The red line which runs between the goal posts and extends in both directions to the side boards.

**GOAL MOUTH:** The area just in front of the goal and crease lines.

**HAT TRICK:** The scoring of three or more goals by a player in one game. A natural hat trick occurs when a player scores three consecutive goals.

**ICING THE PUCK:** Shooting the puck from behind the center red line across an opponent's goal line. Usually done to break up an attack and ease pressure. The puck is brought back and a faceoff takes place in the defensive zone of the team that is shorthanded because of a penalty.

**INTERFERENCE:** Body contact with a player not in possession of the puck, or one who was not the last player to touch the puck. Also called for knocking an opponent's fallen stick out of his reach. Illegal and calls for a minor penalty.

**ONE-TIMER:** Shooting the puck directly after receiving a pass. The offensive player starts his backswing while the puck is on its way to him and tries to time his swing with the arrival of the puck.

**PENALTY BOX:** The area opposite the team benches where penalized players serve time.

**POWER PLAY:** A power play occurs when a team has a one- or two-man advantage because of the opponent's penalties.

**PULLING THE GOALIE:** When one team replaces its goaltender with an extra skater. This can occur when a team trails, usually by one goal, in the final minutes of a game. It is a high-risk attempt to tie the game.

**SAVE:** A shot blocked by the goaltender, which would have been a goal if not stopped.

**SCREENED SHOT:** Occurs when a goaltender's view is blocked by players between him and the shooter.

**SLAP SHOT:** Hitting the puck with the blade of the stick after taking a full backswing.

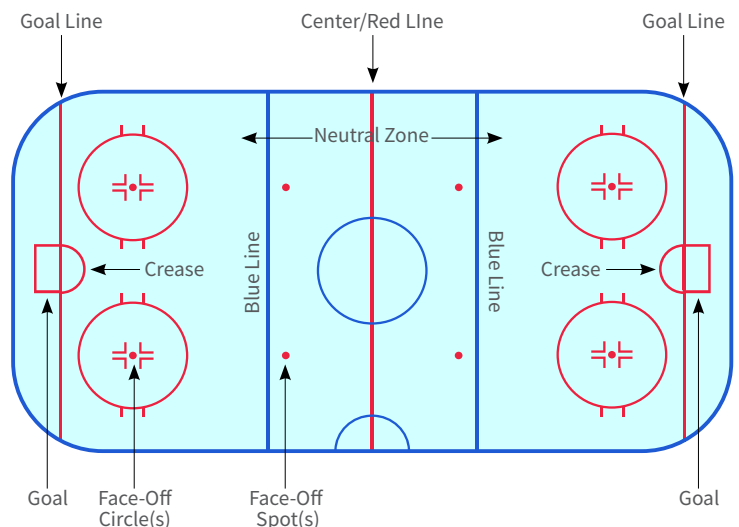
**SLOT:** A prime scoring area located between the faceoff circles and in front of the goal.

**STICK HANDLING:** To control the puck along the ice.

**TOP SHELF:** Term used to describe when an offensive player shoots high in an attempt to beat the goaltender by putting the puck in the top part of the net.

**WRAPAROUND:** When a player skates from one side to the other of the goal, from behind the goal, and tucks the puck into the other side of the goal before the goaltender recovers to be in position.

## STANDARD HOCKEY RINK





# FUN FACTS

## WHAT IS THE PUCK MADE OF?

The puck is made of vulcanized rubber and is three inches in diameter and one inch thick, weighing about six ounces. It is frozen before entering play to make it bounce resistant.

## HOW FAST DOES THE PUCK TRAVEL?

Some of the game's hardest shooters send the puck toward the net at speeds between 90 and 100 mph with the elite shooters easily topping the century mark. Making things even more difficult on the goalie is the puck will frequently curve in flight, much like a baseball.

## WHICH SHOT IS THE HARDEST FOR A GOALIE TO STOP?

Generally speaking, it is one that's low and to the stick side. Some goaltenders overplay to the stick side, presenting a more inviting target on the glove side.

## WHAT ABOUT DEFLECTIONS?

Deflections aren't just luck. Players practice redirecting shots by standing at the side of the net and knocking a shot from the outside past the goalie into another area of the goal.

## HOW THICK IS THE ICE?

The ice is approximately 3/4" thick and is usually kept at 16 degrees for the proper hardness. The thicker the sheet of ice becomes, the softer and slower it is.

## WHAT ARE HOCKEY STICKS MADE OF?

Hockey sticks are made of wood, generally northern white ash or rock elm, or aluminum. The handle is one piece and the laminated wooden blade is axed to it.

## ARE ALL STICKS ALIKE?

Far from it. Just as baseball players have individually personalized bats, hockey players have their own patterned sticks. Flexibility, the angle of the blade, weight, etc., vary from player to player.



# HOCKEY LINGO

**BACKCHECKING:** Forwards in the attacking zone skate back to their own end to prevent opponent's shots on goal.

**BISCUIT:** A common term for a hockey puck.

**BASKET:** What the biscuit goes into. Actually, it's the goal.

**BREAKOUT:** The play used by the attacking team to move the puck out of its own zone and up the ice toward the opponent's goal.

**CELLY:** A celebration after a goal is scored.

**CHERRY PICKING:** When a player, generally a forward, hangs out behind the play waiting for an outlet pass.

**DUMP AND CHASE:** A style of hockey where a team shoots the puck into one of the corners of the offensive zone and then pursues it. This is opposed to carrying the puck into the zone.

**FIVE-HOLE:** The hole between the goalie's leg pads.

**FLOW:** Great hockey hair, typically long that flows out of the helmet when the player skates. (Lettuce works, too.)

**LASER:** A hard, accurate shot.

**MAN ON:** When a player is chasing a loose puck and has his back to the rest of the ice his coaches and team mates will yell "Man On" if an opposing player is in close pursuit.

**MITTS:** Refers to a player's hands, often described as silky when a player has great skill. Also as in "dropping the mitts" in a fight.

**PIPE:** The pipe is the goalpost.

**POINT:** A position just inside the blueline usually occupied by a defenseman when their team is in control of the puck.

**POKE CHECK:** Trying to knock the puck away from an opponent by stabbing at it with the blade of the stick.

**REFEREE'S CREASE:** The 10'-2" Official sanctuary from all players when he skates to the timekeeper.

**SAUCER PASS:** A saucer pass is an airborne pass from one player to another – puck resembles a flying saucer in mid air.

**SIN BIN:** Where a player goes after he is called for a penalty. Also simply known as the penalty box.

**SLOT:** The prime scoring area up the middle of the ice.

**TOP SHELF:** Placing a shot in the top quarter of the net.

**WRAPAROUND:** A player skates behind the opposing goal and attempts to wrap the puck around the goal post and into the net.

# 2017 - 2018 ILLINOIS WEST VARSITY SCHEDULE

SUN SEP 24	SAT SEP 29	SUN OCT 1	SAT OCT 7	SUN OCT 8	SUN OCT 15	WED OCT 18
OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Lyons Township Lions 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Maine Township -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 8:40 PM Oakton <i>Oakton Ice Arena</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Neuqua Valley Wildcats 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Lincoln-Way Hockey -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 9:10 PM Darien <i>Darien Sportsplex</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Hinsdale Central 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Waubonsie Warriors 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Maine Township 8:55 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>
WIN 10-0	WIN 7-3	WIN 7-2	LOSS 4-2	WIN 7-3	WIN 6-3	LOSS 6-5

SUN OCT 22	FRI NOV 10	SAT NOV 11	SAT NOV 18	SUN NOV 19	SAT DEC 2	SUN DEC 3
OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Plainfield Preditors 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Plainfield Preditors -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 8:50 PM Naperville <i>All Seasons Ice Rink</i>	Neuqua Valley Wildcats -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 5:20 PM Romeoville <i>Canlan Ice Sports</i>	Hinsdale Central -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 9:30 PM Darien <i>Darien Sportsplex</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Naperville North 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Naperville North -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 7:55 PM Naperville <i>All Seasons Ice Arena</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Wheaton West 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>
WIN 8-1	WIN 12-3	WIN 5-1	WIN 5-0	WIN 5-1		

FRI DEC 8	SUN DEC 10	SUN DEC 17	SAT JAN 6	SUN JAN 7	MON JAN 8	FRI JAN 12
Naperville Central -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 8:50 PM Naperville <i>All Seasons Ice Arena</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Glenbard Hockey 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Sandburg Eagles 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Lyons Township Lions -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 7:50 PM Darien <i>Darien Sportsplex</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Lincoln-Way Hockey 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Waubonsie Warriors -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 7:00 PM Cicero <i>Bobby Hull Ice Rink</i>	Naperville Hockey -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 8:50 PM Naperville <i>All Seasons Ice Arena</i>

SUN JAN 14	FRI JAN 19	SUN JAN 21	FRI JAN 26	SUN JAN 28
Wheaton West -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 5:00 PM Addison <i>Addison Ice Arena</i>	Sandburg Eagles -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 9:30 PM Darien <i>Darien Sportsplex</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Lake Park Lancers 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Glenbard Hockey -VS- OPRF Huskies VARSITY 9:00 PM Glenn Ellyn <i>Center Ice of DuPage</i>	OPRF Huskies VARSITY -VS- Naperville Central 5:45 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>

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# 2017 - 2018 ILLINOIS WEST JR VARSITY SCHEDULE

SUN SEP 24	SUN OCT 1	THU OCT 5	SUN OCT 8	WED OCT 11	SUN OCT 15	SUN OCT 22
OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- Lyons Township Lions 5:45 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- Neuqua Valley Wildcats 4:00 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Maine Township -VS- OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY 8:15 PM Oakton <i>Oakton Ice Arena</i>	OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- Hinsdale Central 5:45 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- Maine Township 8:55 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- Waubonsie Warriors 5:45 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- DuPage Stars Blue 5:45 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>
LOSS 3-1	LOSS 4-2	WIN 6-3	LOSS 1-2 OT	LOSS 5-2	WIN 2-1	WIN 4-0

FRI NOV 10	SUN NOV 12	SAT NOV 18	SUN NOV 19	SAT DEC 2	SUN DEC 3	SAT DEC 9
Lincoln-Way Hockey -VS- OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY 9:30 PM Darien <i>Darien Sportsplex</i>	Waubonsie Hockey -VS- OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY 4:50 PM Naperville <i>All Seasons Ice Rinks</i>	Hinsdale Central -VS- OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY 9:30 PM Darien <i>Darien Sportsplex</i>	OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- Naperville North 5:45 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	Naperville North -VS- OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY 9:35 PM Naperville <i>All Seasons Ice Rinks</i>	OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- Wheaton West 5:45 PM Oak Park <i>Ridgeland Common</i>	OPRF Huskies JR VARSITY -VS- Naperville Central 5:20 PM Romeoville <i>Canlan Ice Sports</i>
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SUN DEC 10	SAT DEC 16	SUN DEC 17	SAT DEC 30	FRI JAN 5	SAT JAN 6	SUN JAN 7
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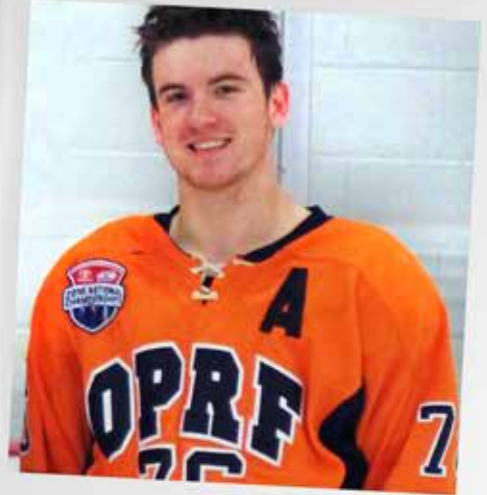
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*It takes a lot of dedication and commitment to keep this hockey club running smoothly... thank you to everyone especially the volunteer parents for making this a club to be proud of — GO HUSKIES!*

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## TRAINING COACH

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### Coach David Salamoun

Coach Salamoun has been coaching for 10+ years and is in his 3rd year as the Training Coach for both the Varsity and JV Hockey Teams. Coach Salamoun was born and raised in the Czech Republic, where he started playing hockey at age 4 and made it to the Pro level. He is now a Level 5 coach, Certified Athletic Trainer and speaks four languages.

“I’m not proud of myself what I accomplished as player. I want to teach the boys to avoid mistakes that I made, because there is always someone who is waiting for you to fail and grab your spot, and there is not many second changes in the hockey world”.

His philosophy of “There are no shortcuts in the game of hockey, and only those who are willing to go the extra mile, making extra steps and working harder than others, will make it to the top”.

Coach Salamoun lives in River Forest with his wife Helena and son DJ.

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