



**Bountiful Hockey Information Packet &  
Player/Parent Contract  
2023–2024 Season**



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## 1. Websites and Social Media Sites

The following websites provide the governance, rules and regulations related to Utah High School Hockey. The social media items help you keep in touch with the league and team during the season. BenchApp is the application where you will find our practice, game and event dates and times. Team communication will occur in BenchApp and email/text as needed. BenchApp chat is the preferred tool for team communication.

Item	URL
USA Hockey	<a href="http://www.usahockey.com/">http://www.usahockey.com/</a>
Utah High School Hockey	<a href="http://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/">http://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/</a>
Utah Amateur State Hockey	<a href="http://www.utah-hockey.org/">http://www.utah-hockey.org/</a>
UHSB/Bountiful Hockey Varsity	<a href="https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/bountiful">https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/bountiful</a>
UHSB/Bountiful Hockey JV	<a href="https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/bountiful-jv">https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/bountiful-jv</a>
<b>Social Media</b>	
Utah High School Twitter	@UHSBHockey1
Bountiful Hockey Facebook	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/BountifulBravesHockey">https://www.facebook.com/BountifulBravesHockey</a>
Bingham Hockey Instagram	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/bountifulredhawkshockey/">https://www.instagram.com/bountifulredhawkshockey/</a>
BenchApp	<a href="https://www.benchapp.com/player/dashboard">https://www.benchapp.com/player/dashboard</a>

## 2. Coaching Staff

Name	Role	Phone	Email
Spencer Vockel	Head Coach Varsity	801-549-8029	<a href="mailto:skipvockel@me.com">skipvockel@me.com</a>
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Jann Gardner	Assistant Coach	801-898-4449	<a href="mailto:Jgardner.jg@gmail.com">Jgardner.jg@gmail.com</a>
Spencer Gardner	Assistant Coach	801-814-0510	<a href="mailto:spencertgardner@gmail.com">spencertgardner@gmail.com</a>
Sheamus "Moose" Stoye	Skills Coach & Private Lessons	801-647-9414	<a href="mailto:sheamusstoye@gmail.com">sheamusstoye@gmail.com</a>
Todd Lemon	Goalie Coach & Private Lessons	801-425-8883	<a href="mailto:toddlemon31@gmail.com">toddlemon31@gmail.com</a>
Robert Ward	Assistant Coach		



### 3. Registration Websites

A parent or legal guardian must register their player on these websites to participate on a Bountiful High School Hockey team. Complete registration includes providing proof of school attendance to the team Trustee. Once completely registered, the UHSH Registrar will place your player on the team's USA Hockey official roster. Your player cannot participate in UHSH games or UHSH practices until they are on the official USA Hockey roster. First time players will need to upload a birth certificate. First time high school players will have to upload a school registration or class schedule with the player's name, date, term and school name visible or submit school verification to the team Trustee.

Item	URL
USA Hockey Registration	<a href="https://membership.usahockey.com/">https://membership.usahockey.com/</a>
Utah High School Hockey Registration	<a href="https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/player-registration">https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/player-registration</a>
Safe Sport Training (as directed by USA Hockey Rules) For the 2023-24 season, <b>all players born in 2006 or earlier</b> must complete their Safesport online training before being eligible for practice or games.	<a href="https://www.usahockey.com/safesporttraining">https://www.usahockey.com/safesporttraining</a>

### 4. Registration Documentation Checklist

**Please read all pages before signing. Read & understand coaching decisions regarding your player. Players and Parents must sign this document prior to participation. Keep a copy for your records.**

Item	URL
USA Hockey Player Membership Registration \$70	<a href="https://membership.usahockey.com/">https://membership.usahockey.com/</a>
Utah High School Hockey Registration \$160	<a href="https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/home">https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/home</a>
Safesport Training (as directed)	<a href="https://www.usahockey.com/safesporttraining">https://www.usahockey.com/safesporttraining</a>
Bountiful Hockey Player Contract	<a href="#">2023-2024 Bountiful Hockey Player Contract</a>
Bountiful Hockey Parent Contract	<a href="#">2023-2024 Bountiful Hockey Parent Contract</a>
Authorization for Participation in a Student Club	<a href="#">2023-2024 Bountiful Hockey Authorization for Participation in a Student Club</a>
Media Release	<a href="#">2023-2024 Bountiful Hockey Media Release</a>
Consent to Treat & Emergency Medical Authorization	<a href="#">2023-2024 Consent to Treat &amp; Emergency Medical Authorization</a>



## 5. Important Dates

Item	Dates
Team Declarations & Registration	The Bountiful coaches will determine the number of teams to be fielded for the season. The Bountiful Trustee will declare the teams at the July UHSB Trustee Board meeting.
Player Registration	Registration is Open. Registration with UHSB <u>must be completed by the first week in August</u> to be eligible for Bountiful team practices and games. This is a National requirement. No exceptions.
Practices	Begin Monday 8/28/2023 @ 6:00 AM to 7:00 pm at the SDRC Rink. All players must attend. Full Gear. See BenchApp for dates and times.
Games	2023-24 Game Schedule will be posted on the UHSB website and in BenchApp. Navigate to the "Schedule" tab <a href="https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com">https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com</a>
Season Playoffs	Varsity Playoffs start in the month of February. Team Standings & Playoff Schedule are posted on the UHSB website. <a href="https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com">https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com</a>
Blackout dates: These are dates when games are not to be scheduled by the UHSB game scheduler.	Fall break – 10/19 – 10/20 Halloween – 10/31 Thanksgiving – 11/22 – 11/24 Christmas – 12/21 – 1/3 Martin Luther King Jr – 1/15 Presidents Day – No Practices Currently Scheduled in February
UHSB All-Star Activities	Information will be shared when available.
Season Fees  The team is willing to work out an alternate payment schedule. Reach out to the team trustee right away to discuss payment arrangements.  The Bountiful team fee of \$525 and game uniforms will be billed to parents via Quickbooks invoicing. Payments can be made by check, cash & Venmo. If payment can only be made by credit card, make arrangements with Trustee. Credit card payments incur a processing fee.	<b>July 1-31</b> – League fee of \$160 with Registration – Online Registration.  <b>August 1</b> – Team fee of \$525 or installment #1 of 3 of \$275  <b>August 1</b> – Game Jerseys, Shells, Socks for incoming players & those ordering a replacement game uniform (\$180) – please pay half by Aug. 1 and the balance before receiving items approx. mid September.  <b>September 1</b> – Second Team fee installment of \$125+ if not already paid in full. This will be higher if game gear or warm ups are ordered  <b>October 1</b> – Third Team fee installment of \$125+ if not already paid in full. This payment will be higher.  The team must remit approximately \$13,500 in fees to UHSB and the rink, by mid-October to avoid team suspension. It is these team fees that drives the payment schedule.



## 6. Fees & Expenses

Item	Dates
Team Fee - \$525	Can be split into three payments of \$275, \$125 and \$125. Due August 1, September 1 and October 1. This fee covers game and practice ice and officials. Additional fees may be assessed depending on fundraising efforts and purchase of additional ice, tournament fees, fines, etc.
Game Uniform - \$180  Game uniforms will be ordered by the team and delivered at a practice. Individual jersey/shell orders will cost more. It is best to order with the group order.	2 pr Socks (1 light, 1 dark) - \$30  2 Jerseys (1 light, 1 dark) - \$110  1 Breezers - \$40 (red pant shells)  A practice jersey is included and will be issued by the coach.
Other Apparel -	Red Warmup Suit - \$130 (customized with player number)  Warm-up Tee and Shorts ~ \$20 for the set  Fan Gear Available for purchase at Signature Press: <a href="http://shop.sigpress.net/login/bountifulhockey">shop.sigpress.net/login/bountifulhockey</a>

## 7. Grades – Grade Checks

Bountiful Hockey players are students first and hockey players second. To remain eligible for full participation on the Bountiful Hockey team, each player must maintain a GPA for 2.0 or higher, without a failing grade, during the hockey season.

Each player must submit documentation confirming the player's grades immediately after they are posted in the DSD grades portal. Acceptable documentation is the end of term report card. A screenshot of end of term grades that are not reflective of the minimum standard will result in discussion regarding academic corrective action and a return to play plan with the parent(s) and player.

This grade check is due no later than 5 days after the posting of term grades. The purpose of this requirement is to confirm that each player is achieving, at minimum, a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA), with no failing grades. Failure to reach or maintain the minimum grades requirement will result in a player being ineligible for games. The player is still expected to attend team practices while remediating their grades. Families may have a stricter grade policy and withholding of hockey game participation which will be honored by the team leadership. It is an expectation and requirement that players maintain their academic performance while participating on the Bountiful Hockey team. The Player Contract and Varsity Letter sections cover grades as well.



## 8. 2023-2024 Bountiful Hockey Player Agreement

As a member of the Bountiful Hockey Program, I will adhere to all requirements of this Player Contract.

- I agree to be honest, forthright, and trustworthy with everyone I interact with when participating in all team activities and when representing my team at events and when wearing team attire. My honesty might result in negative consequences for me or the team but may be the right thing to do.
- I will abide by all policies set forth in my school's Student Handbook and policies. <https://bhs.davis.k12.ut.us/parents-students/student-handbook>
- I will inform myself and abide by the USA Hockey, the Utah Amateur Hockey Association, and the Utah High School Hockey Alcohol/Drug Policy. <https://digitalshift-assets.sfo2.cdn.digitaloceanspaces.com/pw/258aa1c5-56fe-469e-b692-a9a7ab8e0f07/f-1cab5076-3ea6-461c-8cf6-ac831121ea8c/PP%20Revision%2018%2008-21-2022.pdf>
- I will ALWAYS encourage good sportsmanship from players, coaches, officials, and parents.
- We win and lose as a team. I will work hard to be a team player and promote team play.
- I will achieve a minimum 2.0 GPA, without a failing grade; be dedicated to self-improvement; and I am responsible for my hockey skill and academics. The coaches are my leaders, teachers, and mentors.
- I will attend every practice, game, and team activity where I am expected. I will notify my Coach, in advance, if I cannot attend a team activity where I am expected. I understand that communication and accountability, regarding my attendance, is necessary for the coaches to manage practice plans and game rosters. Timely communication regarding attendance is necessary for team volunteers who plan team snacks & meals and team activities/events. I will take responsibility for consequences because I failed to communicate my attendance in a timely manner.
- I will inform myself of the USA Hockey Safesport rules and regulations. See link on the team webpage: <https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/bountiful>
- I will listen and learn from my coaches, work hard to improve my skills, learn the rules of the game of hockey, and play by the rules.
- I will treat my coaches, teammates, officials, parents, team volunteers, program volunteers and opponents with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities.
- I will encourage my parents and friends to be involved with my team in a helpful, positive capacity.
- I will not use objectionable language or behavior that is detrimental to the Bountiful Hockey team, Utah High School Hockey, its members/participants/coordinators/officials, or to the game.
- I will wear my full equipment during all practices and games. I will wear the team uniform for games and the team practice jersey at practices, game day wear, as required by my team's rules and the coaches.
- I will adhere to the Varsity team game day dress code of the Bountiful Hockey official warm-ups suit or a clean dress shirt or polo (tucked in, dress pants, and casual dress shoes). The dress code applies while I arrive to games, while I am inside the rink, including after the game on the way to my vehicle/ride home.
- I will never enter the playing surface or player's bench area while the Zamboni is resurfacing the ice.
- I will not go on the ice until I am instructed by my Coaches or an on-ice official.
- I will use BenchApp for communicating with my coaches and the team management and I will include my parents on that communication. I will communicate between the hours of 9 am and 9 pm.
- I am responsible for knowing if I am rostered for a game and I know that I may not be allowed to dress or be on the bench for a game where I am not rostered.
- I will not take equipment or other items that does not belong to me. I will not deface or damage equipment, locker rooms, rinks, parking lots, school property, teammate, or opponents' belongings.
- I will abide by the team rules established by the coaching staff and/or team trustee/managers.
- I understand that all members of the Bountiful Hockey – players, parents, volunteers, and coaches – are expected to exhibit good sportsmanship, respectful behavior, honor team values, and support principles of USA Hockey, Utah Amateur Hockey Association, Utah High School Hockey, and Bountiful Hockey.
- I will communicate with my team coaches, managers, trustee, volunteers using BenchApp and will include my parents or another adult in the communications. I understand that this is a requirement under Safesport guidelines.
- I will report violations of team, league, governing entities rules to a responsible adult or law enforcement as appropriate.



\_\_\_\_\_ Player Suspensions: (player initials)

Players may be asked to leave the rink or be suspended for all or portion of a game or practice, numerous games/practices or for the entire season by the Head Coach, Trustee or League for the following reasons including but not limited to:

- Failure to attend a scheduled team meeting without properly communicating with the Head Coach
- ANY unexcused absence from a scheduled game or practice
- Use of foul or abusive language especially when directed toward any league or rink official, other players, or any team member.
- Violation of the Safesport mobile device & digital communications regulations.
- Disrespect to referees, a visiting hockey team, Officials, rink personnel, or any school official
- Fighting or bullying teammates
- Conduct detrimental to the team as determined by the Coaches and/or Trustee.
- Conduct that may cause harm to an individual, group, team. Can be verbal, physical, digital, or of a number of modalities capable of causing harm.
- Use/Conviction of drug or alcohol abuse
- Participation in games or practices while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol
- Defacing or damaging arena property or teammate(s) property, including locker room "trashing"
- Theft and/or vandalism
- Use of cell phone in the locker room. Transmission or sharing of inappropriate images, texts, emails, digital communications, at any time.
- Receiving a game misconduct, gross misconduct, major or match penalty. Additional suspensions may be added by the Coach and/or Trustee.
- Bad sportsmanship – observed or reported.
- Failure to pay fees when due.
- Failure to abide by the bylaws, rules and regulations or USA Hockey, Utah High School Hockey, or this Player Contract
- Refusal to obey reasonable requests of the coaches, team volunteers, team managers, officials, captains.
- Failure to abide by USA Hockey, team and league rules/policies, Safesport rules.

**School registration, status and attendance:**

No player shall be eligible to register or participate on or with the Bountiful High School Hockey team unless they are enrolled in a Utah School district and in good standing. If the School District or the player's school administration suspend or desire a player to be suspended from team participation, that player shall be suspended until the administration indicates the suspension be lifted. If, during the season a player shall be suspended from or voluntarily leave the school, the player shall be suspended from participating on the team until their continued eligibility can be determined. The player shall be reinstated should they re-enroll in a school within the team boundaries or with approval from the UHSB Board of Trustees, but not before the school has lifted suspension. Should the player be involuntarily or voluntarily suspended for any reason, they shall have no amount of their registration and other fees repaid or reimbursed. A parent of a player who is disciplined by the school or a rink venue must immediately disclose the suspension to the Bountiful Hockey head coach and team trustee. Failure to disclose a player's disposition with their school in terms of school enrollment, suspension, expulsion, or venue suspension, shall be subject to discipline or team dismissal. This guideline applies to home-school and online student players. Parents who request that their player be suspended from games, for violation of family rules, will be honored. Players with families with remarriages, guardians, etc., will need to work together to agree on terms. Suspensions apply to games. Players are expected to attend practices during their suspension period unless their violation prohibits participation. This guideline is strict and intended to keep the team in good standing with the governing hockey entities, academic institutions and to facilitate corrective measures in cooperation with the player and parent(s)/guardian(s), venues, governing entities, schools.

\_\_\_\_\_ Grades (player initials):

The team adheres to the Davis School District school policies regarding grades and athletics. Players must correct their grades and submit documentation of improvement to minimum thresholds, to continue to participate in team games and scrimmages. Players are expected to attend practices provided they are not prohibited. The player's report card or acceptable documentation must be submitted to the Head Coach or Trustee within 5 days after the end of each quarter or as requested. A minimum of a 2.0 GPA, without failing grades, mandatory for game play.





## 9. Player/Parent contact information:

Player Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Name	Role	Phone	Email
	Player		
	Parent/Guardian1		
	Parent/Guardian2		
	Parent/Guradian3		
	Parent/Guradian4		

**This Player Contract exists to ensure that I and those around me are creating an environment of respect, support, and success for the Bountiful Hockey program, its participants, and supporters and spectators. I have read, acknowledge, accept, and agree to abide by the above Player Contract. I further accept the terms and conditions (rules) in this player contract. Should I choose to break these rules, I understand that I will be subject to disciplinary measures which may include benching, suspension from games, or dismissal from the Bountiful Hockey Team.**

Print Player's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Player's Signature Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **I acknowledge, accept, and agree to support the Bountiful Hockey Player Contract:**

Parent/Guardian 1. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian 1. Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian 2. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian 2. Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

All parents, guardians, stepparents, foster parents, etc., of the Bountiful Hockey player are expected to abide by the USA Hockey parent and fan Codes of Conduct and to assure that their player(s) are adhering to the USA Hockey Player Code of conduct. Behavior that violates these standards are subject to discipline or removal from the team. Parents/guardians are responsible for the behavior of their guests.



## 10. 2023-2024 Bountiful Hockey Parent Contract

As a parent or guardian, I am proud to have my child/ward accepted as a Bountiful Hockey Player. As the Parent/Guardian of a Bountiful Hockey, I hereby understand that it is important for me to support the team by supporting the coaching staff, team volunteers and my Player, by agreeing to the following conditions:

- I agree to treat those I encounter, through my Player's involvement in the Bountiful Hockey program, with respect and courtesy. This specifically includes but is not limited to Hockey Officials, Opposing Parents, Opposing Players, the Coaching Staff, rink staff and my Player.
- I understand and agree that as a Parent of a Player I represent Bountiful High, Woods Cross High, or one of the many Jr High programs in Davis County. My actions, either positive or negative, are a reflection the team, the coaching staff, my Player and their school and I will conduct myself in a manner that reflects positively on the Bountiful Hockey program, its participants, and supporters.
- I understand that my role as the Parent of a Bountiful Hockey player is one of the most important roles in the success of my player and the Bountiful Hockey Program and as such, I agree to use my power as a Parent to help the coaching staff through positive talk and actions, active participation when requested and allowing the coach to coach.
- I understand and agree that as the Parent of a Player, I am a Role Model and an example to my Player and the other players on the team and I will act with maturity and respect at all team activities.
- I agree to learn the rules of hockey; the many strategies utilized to manage a game; hockey players, lines, and a team.
- I will conduct myself with self-control, at games, events, & practices. This includes keeping my comments regarding the game, officials, coaches, volunteers in a positive tone.
- I understand that I will not always agree with the coaching staff's decisions, nor will I always understand the direction they are taking, but I agree to address my grievances in an honest and respectful manner, using the team communications and directly with the coach, at a time and in a manner that is respectful of the coach and team leadership's personal time. I will be mindful of the time I request of them above and beyond the hours they are volunteering toward the Bountiful Hockey team, for my child to participate.
- I understand that I may be dissatisfied with coaching decisions and that it is inappropriate for me to speak negatively about a coach, the team, team volunteers, players, or other parents. Such talk is not for good purpose and hurts the team. Engaging in hurtful and defamatory language undermines the team, my player's experience, and the Bountiful Hockey program. I will work toward accepting that sometimes I will need to accept decisions of the coach. I understand that the coach reserves the right to bench my player.
- I will adhere to the 24-hour rule and wait at least 24 hours after an emotionally charged incident, before confronting the coach, team leadership, officials, league leadership, parents, the other team, fans, etc. The rule is intended to provide parties, who have a grievance, at least 24 hours to cool down and gather their thoughts for a productive problem-solving discussion at the end of the 24-hour period. The waiting period is also intended to allow parties to remove the immediate emotion and allow the parties to focus on the facts of the grievance and a resolution.
- I will refrain from contacting the coaching staff except between the hours of 9 am and 9pm. I understand that the coaching staff has work & family obligations that supersede Bountiful Hockey needs. The exception to these hours is when a player, parent, volunteer, fan, or the team is in danger or at risk of harm. In this latter case, the proper authorities should be immediately engaged.
- I agree to RESPECT, SUPPORT and ENJOY the game of Hockey through cheering positively for the Bountiful team, at EVERY GAME! These high school years go by fast. Enjoy them!
- I agree to be mindful that the Bountiful Hockey games and events are attended by fans of many ages and that foul, derogatory, profane, accusatory language is unacceptable, and I will be asked to leave the building or event area if I engage in such language. I may be barred from all team activities if I violate this guideline.
- I agree to respect the officials, to accept their judgment and to refrain from yelling or engaging with the officials during or after games.
- I agree to learn the game, the game rules and nuances and refrain from sharing my opinions with the officials and fans, especially in a loud and unwelcome manner.
- I agree to abide by the USA Hockey regulations that limit access to locker room hallways, the playing bench, the ice surface. Except for those who have fulfilled the requirements that allow access to these areas AND have been approved by the head coach and trustee to be allowed to enter these areas.



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- I understand that the glass surrounding the ice surface is part of the playing surface and that touching, hanging, or pounding on the glass is grounds for removal from the building and penalty assessed to the team.
- I agree that I will do everything in my power to inform myself of the USA Hockey Parent Code of Conduct and the USA Hockey Fan Code of Conduct and to adhere to its guidance.  
<https://www.usahockeyrulebook.com/page/show/1015129-codes-of-conduct>
- I will encourage my child to learn and play by the rules.
- I will not embarrass my child by yelling at players, coaches, fans, or officials. I will bring a positive attitude to the rink.
- I will study the rules of the game and support the officials on and off the ice.
- Applaud a good effort in both victory and defeat and enforce the positive points of the game. I will not yell or physically abuse my child after a game or practice. Help remove physical and verbal abuse in youth sports.
- I will recognize my player's skill, understanding of the game, athletic aptitude, and drive. I will allow the coaching staff to develop my player for success at their next level, not based on my desires as a parent.
- I understand that there are many levels of skill on this team; not all players will develop at the same rate, nor will they all aspire to put in the effort needed to advance. Some will struggle with emotional and social development. These issues are age appropriate. Most are temporary. Every player will struggle at some point during their high school hockey seasons. The coaching staff and team leadership will support each player as they struggle with challenges and will work with the player and family, within reason.
- I understand that the coaching staff may request a player leave the team temporarily to get assistance from a professional to address the needs of a player. Or permanently if the player/parent refuse to address behavioral concerns. The first goal will be to work with the family to address concerns should continuation be in the best interest of the player and not disruptive to the team, team leadership and within the team and league rules.
- I understand that a player may be transitioned to a different position or line where the coach feels they can continue to contribute to the team, fill a team need and further develop the player's skill. Being a supportive parent by trusting these coaching decisions is appreciated. These transitions may be temporary or more permanent.
- I will recognize the importance of volunteer coaches. They are important to the development of your child and the sport. Communicate with them and support them.
- I agree to be responsible for the behavior of the fans that I bring to the rink.
- I understand that disruptive conduct may result in immediate removal from the venue. Failure to leave the venue when requested may result in law enforcement being dispatched to remove me from the venue.
- Improper use of mobile phones, during team activities and non-team activities can be reason to discipline, suspend or remove players and/or parents from the team. I will familiarize myself with the USA Hockey regulations regarding safe use of mobile phone, camera and recording devices, social media, communications, etc. Safesport Handbook link can be found on the team webpage: <https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/bountiful>
- Adults including parents, guardians, adult relatives should never engage in communication with a minor athlete without the parent or guardian included in the correspondence. I understand that consequences of this guideline can lead to significant discipline.
- Accusations against a minor athlete, by an adult, should be undertaken using the reporting mechanisms provided by the USA Hockey Safesport program or law enforcement as indicated by the nature of the incident and should include the parent or legal guardian provided doing so does not put the minor athlete at risk for harm.

**By reading, understanding, and freely signing this contract, I am making a very important and binding commitment to MYSELF, the COACHING STAFF, the TEAM, the SPORT and MY PLAYER. I agree to abide by the conditions in this contract and be accountable for my actions.**

Parent/Guardian's 1 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's 1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's 2 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's 2 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## 11. 2023-2024 Authorization for Participation in a Student Club

### Activity Disclosure Statement and Parental Consent Form

Under state law, a school is required to obtain written parental or guardian consent before their student may participate in any curricular or noncurricular club that has been authorized by the student's school. (UCA §§53A-11-1201 et seq. - Student Clubs Act)

Your student is seeking membership in the Bountiful Hockey Club. The club's purpose, goals and activities as provided in the club's application for authorization include:

- To organize and maintain an ongoing program for high school youth in the sport of ice hockey.
- To encourage and improve the standards of play and the conduct of ice hockey competition at the high school age level.
- To develop and encourage sportsmanship and playing proficiency among high school age players in the sport of ice hockey.
- To pursue its objectives in such a way as to make competition in the sport of ice hockey enjoyable, to make such competition a continual learning opportunity, and to encourage the expansion of wholesome competition within the sport of ice hockey at the high school age level.
- To provide a league structure for varsity and junior varsity competition at the high school level whereby a state champion in the play of the sport of ice hockey shall be declared.
- To establish a competitive program within the sport of ice hockey which is consistent with the goals and ideals of USA Hockey and the Utah Amateur Hockey Association.

The club's categorization, as provided in the application for authorization, included:

Bountiful Hockey promotion, participation as players and/or spectators. The primary purpose of the club is to promote the Bountiful Ice Hockey team for student support, awareness, and recruitment of potential players.

Beginning and ending dates the club intends to meet: September 2023 through May 2024.

The sponsor, supervisor, or monitor responsible for the club is

Mr. Dave Neil, faculty: [dneil@dsdmail.net](mailto:dneil@dsdmail.net)

Anna Erickson, Team Trustee: [Trustee@bountifulhockey.com](mailto:Trustee@bountifulhockey.com)

Marla Burns, Team Manager: [marlaburns8@gmail.com](mailto:marlaburns8@gmail.com)

Include a tentative schedule of the club activities with dates, times, and places specified.

Varsity Games: [https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/stats#/698/schedule?team\\_id=287695](https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/stats#/698/schedule?team_id=287695)

JV Game Schedule: [https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/stats#/698/schedule?team\\_id=287696](https://www.utahhighschoolhockey.com/stats#/698/schedule?team_id=287696)

Include personal costs associated with the club, if any. No costs to club members

Include information about transportation, if any. (will transportation be provided by school or will parent be responsible to transport their student to activities): Parents will be responsible for participation to games.

I hereby give permission for my student to participate as a member in the Bountiful Hockey Club.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature (2) : \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## 12. 2023-2024 Bountiful Hockey Media Release

\_\_\_\_\_(Player) has my permission to have pictures and video posted on the Bountiful Hockey team Social/Media Pages, for hockey team business and for game film to be collected and used for coaching/training purposes, game hype posts and end of season video.

Parent/Guardian Signature (1) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (2) \_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_



## Utah High School Hockey, Inc.

### 13. 2023-24 Consent to Treat & Emergency Medical Authorization

(Under 18 Years of Age)

Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Team: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event reasonable attempts to contact me or my spouse (guardian) are unsuccessful, I, the undersigned parent/guardian, do hereby give my consent to Utah High School Hockey, Inc. (UHSB), its member teams, volunteers, coaches and administrative management to obtain emergency medical care for my child/ward named above from any licensed physician, hospital or clinic and authorize treatment for any injury that could arise from his/her participation in any UHSB activity. In case of an emergency and if unable to contact me or my spouse please notify:

Notify 1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Notify 1 Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Notify 1 Best Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Notify 2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Notify 2 Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Notify 2 Best Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## **14. 2023-2024 Bountiful Hockey Club Varsity Letter Requirements**

### **Sportsmanship and Citizenship**

Varsity Letters are awarded for individual Bountiful Hockey student athlete achievement. Bountiful Hockey endeavors to create a standard of achievement for earning the Varsity Letter Award.

1. The student athlete must be a member of the Varsity squad, for the full season, in good academic, behavioral & financial standing, to be eligible for a Varsity Letter Award. Junior varsity hockey team participation will not count towards the Varsity Letter award.
2. Eligible Players must have demonstrated adherence to the rules, regulations, policies and standards of the team, league, all hockey governing entities, school & rinks, etc., to be eligible for the Varsity Letter.
3. Eligible players must maintain a 2.0 or higher GPA throughout the season and have completed each term with all passing grades. Players earning an "F", on their report card, are not eligible for a Varsity Letter Award. The varsity head coach may adjust the minimum GPA upwards at his/her discretion. The students report card must be submitted to the Head Coach or Trustee within 5 days of the end of the term. Players on Academic Probation are not eligible for the Varsity Letter Award. Players declining to submit a report card for verification of grades are not eligible for the Varsity Letter Award.
4. Eligible players will exhibit leadership & skills demonstrating their willingness to be a team player. Eligible players are those that assist other players and coaching staff to benefit player and team development. Eligible players exhibit determination to improve one's skill during team practices/trainings AND outside of the team practices/trainings.
5. Players with a disciplinary record with school, law enforcement or the team may not be eligible for a Varsity Letter Award.
6. Bountiful Hockey Varsity players are expected to attend all team activities to be eligible for a BHS club letter. The coaching staff will evaluate the attendance of each player, character, contributions, and behavior of each player, to determine if he/she will be eligible to Letter on these measures.

### **Discipline**

1. Athletes are reminded that the Varsity Letter is a recognition award determined by the Head Coach. Players' behavior on and off the ice will be taken in consideration when awarding the Bountiful Hockey Varsity Letter.
2. Unsportsmanlike acts or inappropriate behavior by student athletes, in and outside of school, will be reviewed for disciplinary actions and may result in disqualification of Varsity Letter Award.
3. Athletes on "in school" suspension and/or suspended from school or league games will not be able to participate in team games during the suspension period. Suspensions may affect a player's eligibility for a Varsity Letter.



4. Players and their parent(s) are expected to disclose situations when their player is suspended from school, rinks or school activities due to academic concerns, behavioral issues or disciplinary incidents. These dispositions may affect a player's eligibility for the Varsity Letter award.

### **Team Attendance**

1. Attendance at all team functions is mandatory. Players are expected to notify the head coach, using BenchApp, for planned absences prior to missing practices. Players are expected to notify the head coach for unexpected absences as soon as reasonable after missing practice. All Bountiful Hockey players have access to the team BenchApp software. All absences are to be communicated to the coaches via BenchApp. All players are expected to indicate their attendance or absence at least one week prior to the team practice, game or event. BenchApp provides space for the player to indicate the reason for their absences. A player may choose to send a BenchApp "Chat" directly to the head coach but must copy a parent as part of this type of communication per Safesport regulations. At the discretion of the head coach, an "excused/known" absence may count towards attendance but must be done at least 3 days prior to the event, must be honest and reasonable.
2. Missed practices and games due to a school or league suspension may not be counted as an excused absence. Players are expected to attend practices, even when on game suspension, unless prohibited by USA Hockey or UHS rules.
3. Students who fail to complete a season for any reason, other than injury, are not eligible for a Varsity Letter Award.
4. Sitting the bench or being "called up" for a few varsity games does not guarantee a Varsity Letter for an athlete. Coaches reserve the right to award a Varsity Letter Award based on additional criteria and circumstances.

### **Community Service**

1. Community service is an integral part of healthy society. Helping others creates and helps maintain a high standard of excellence both in sports and daily life. A team dedicated to each other, as well as their community, creates long lasting friendships and partnerships.
2. Bountiful Hockey Players are required to attend at least one community service activity during the season. The team will host at least one community service activity. If unable to attend, a player is expected to engage in at least one community service activity on their own and report it to the head coach and trustee.
3. Fundraising is required to purchase and maintain equipment, cover ice time and other team costs. Player fees do not cover the entire cost of hosting a Bountiful Hockey Varsity and JV team.

### **Players must attend the required team events below unless the Player has an excused absence which has been communicated to the Varsity Head Coach, in advance of the team event:**

100% – Scheduled On-Ice Practices – Approx. 2 times per week,

100% – Varsity Games - There are approx. 15-17 Regular Season games scheduled.

100% – Team Meetings (include chalk talks, Game review, team meals, gear checks)

100% – Dryland practices - will be scheduled weather permitting.

100% – Community Service / Fundraising - Once coordinated; these events will be posted. Our goal is to host at least one event per season with full team participation)





**The following events will have a negative consequence for the player:**

Unexcused absences (failure to communicate absences in advance, excessive absences or notification of after the fact)

"Game Misconduct" penalty/penalties

"Gross Misconduct" penalty/penalties

"Fighting" penalty/penalties

Match Penalty/penalties – 50 Penalty minutes or more

Repeated, substantiated reports of incidents that are obscene, vulgar, off color, racist, sexist, in nature.

Reports of negative talk, taunting, mean-spirited treatment of teammates, coaches, opponents, officials, rink staff, parent volunteers and others involved in managing and supporting youth hockey.

**Grade Point Average**

Players must maintain a GPA of 2.0 with no failures at the end of each term. Grades submitted to the Head Coach or Trustee within 5 days of the end of the term to be eligible for a Varsity Letter award and continued participation.

**Other**

Consideration may be granted when a player shows exceptional effort to improve behavior or a player that consistently demonstrates behavior that includes: sportsmanship, hustle, respect to coaches, players, and officials, opponents, behaving and speaking with good purpose, etc.).

*Final approval for a Bountiful Hockey Varsity Letter is at the discretion of the Bountiful Hockey Head Coaches.*



## 15. A WORD FROM THE TEAM LEADERSHIP

Thank you for supporting your hockey player in their recreation hockey journey. Participate in the high school hockey program is a big financial and time commitment. The team leadership declares a high school hockey team, each season, with the goal of partnering with every family to provide a good experience for every player, parent, family, and fan. Working with the team leadership will make your families' high school hockey story an enjoyable and memorable one.

The Bountiful Hockey leadership is comprised of coaches, team managers, and the team trustee. The leadership is accountable to the Utah High School Hockey board of trustees, the Utah Amateur Hockey Association, and the USA Hockey federation. We are accountable to the administration of each of the schools that feed players into the team. These entities have rules, regulations, and expectations regarding the operations of the team and the behavior of the players, parents, and fans. This parent and player agreement attempts to capture those expectations and requirements, conduct, and consequences. It is not exhaustive and could never anticipate all the potential scenarios possible in Utah high school hockey. This document has grown from two pages to nearly 20 pages due, in part, to the need to address the growing disruptive behavior of participants, coaches, parents, and fans. We appreciate the time it will take to familiarize you with the standards imposed on the team, its leadership, players and you as a parent spectator.

The increase in rules, regulations, and requirements to assure a safe and enjoyable youth athletic experience and recommendations by local governing authorities, have caused our participation Agreement to swell. Consequences for violations over the past several seasons have increased as well. There is a greater expectation that teams do more to manage team & spectator conduct. Volunteer coaches and team volunteers are being held accountable for the conduct of parents, fans, and players. Discipline leveled on coaches, managers, and teams will be more frequent and more punitive than ever before. This player and parent agreement/contract is intended to educate parents and players of their role in being decent & supportive hockey citizens as well as behavioral boundaries. We ask that you educate yourselves on the rules of the game recognize the developmental stage of your player, understand training modalities and limiting factors; respect people and rules, the venues, property and academic institutions so that we can keep the team in good standing and thriving.

We need to visit the issue of conduct more often these days. We ask that every player, parent, and volunteer exercise some restraint when things do not go their way. We seem go sideways with coaching decisions and officiating calls, both which hit an emotional nerve. There are tools provided to appropriately communicate concerns and there is law enforcement for filing criminal complaints. Ask the team trustee for guidance.

The league is experiencing the most inexperienced officials ever as the seasoned officials leave the game due, in part, to the conduct of the spectators, players and coaches. Use the mechanisms provided to give constructive feedback to the officials. Yelling at officials is not acceptable. Please find a sensible strategy to manage your dissatisfaction and a communication style that does not jeopardize the team, the league, or your player's participation. If you do not know to whom and how to issue a grievance, contact the team Trustee for guidance.

The standards herein are reasonable, achievement-focused, inclusive of player safety, mindful of the players' academic priorities and steeped in accountability. If you have feedback or desire an explanation as to the purpose for some of the language herein, please reach out to the team Trustee and Head Coach.

We want every player to have great high school hockey memories. Your players' experience will be that which they make of it. They all advance their hockey skills, albeit some faster than others. The coaching staff will move your player along the developmental spectrum and extend more challenging opportunities as your player acquires a higher level of skill, hockey sense, confidence, **and** as spots open on higher roster lines. A coach will not move your player up to varsity if it is not safe. Reach out to the coach to understand their guideline on player safety in game situations.



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Support your hockey player. Help your player measure their progress against themselves rather than against another player. Are they a more controlled skater, have they improved their puck protection, outlet passes, back-checks, anticipation, pass completions, etc. Coaches do not make superstars. Each player is in control of their success, not a teammate, not the coach. We always encourage players to get training outside of the team's practices. Exposing your player to different coaching styles may result in progress.

Player talent varies on the Utah high school hockey teams. Some 9<sup>th</sup> graders will be more advanced than 12<sup>th</sup> graders. The varsity team will play the top players more often. The JV team will rotate players more evenly. Coaches will make line adjustments throughout the season. Varsity roster spots are not automatic, they are earned. Many factors go into who is on Varsity and who is on JV. Reach out to the head coach to understand where your player stands and recommendations for skill development.

Bountiful Hockey coaches are available to have discussions with parents and players. They love it when players ask what they can do to improve, during practice or through BenchApp. Repeated requests for meetings from the same parent/family, about the same issue or mystery issues, will not be honored. We empathize with the frustration over coaching/rostering decisions. Berating a coach at the rink, in the parking lot or in written form will not advance your player. The volunteer staff does not have the time to re-hash the same issue(s) with multiple meetings. Coaches will no longer schedule parent meetings before or after practices. Those requests have resulted in shortchanging the rest of the team's practice time. Coaches and managers are volunteers with job and family demands that come first. If there is an immediate or pending safety issue that has someone's well-being at risk or in harm's way, please reach out immediately to the team trustee, or report the issue to the proper law enforcement entity. In general, correspondence with the coaching staff and team managers between the hours of 9 am and 9 pm. They will aim to answer in approximately the next 48 hours but may vary will work, travel, family obligations. Again, if there is immediate danger to someone, contact law enforcement. We know that this communication standard is not ample for every parent/guardian, and we understand if families choose to leave the team as a result. Leaving the Bountiful Hockey team does not guarantee placement on a different team.

We are fortunate to have a dedicated volunteer coaching staff. They coach because they love the game, and they want to impart that enthusiasm to your player. We hope that each player loves this game and parents/guardians are involved because they enjoy watching their player make friends, learn new skills and experience the satisfaction working hard.

The Utah High School Hockey Board of Trustees will vote on altering the varsity divisions for the 2023-24 season, on July 11. Expect to change from two varsity pods/divisions to up to 8 pods/divisions. They have a lot of opinions and data to consider before a decision is reached. JV will remain a single division, as of now. That too could change. Division placement is determined by the number of JV ineligible players on the team. New criteria could be added. The discussion will get complicated, but the outcome may be worth the time.

Thank you for the effort it will take to get your player to the rink for the early morning practices. And thank you, in advance, for committing to partner with the team leadership for a successful 2023-24 Bountiful Hockey season and your player(s).

Spencer Vockel – Varsity Head Coach

Jimmy Burns – JV Head Coach

Anna Erickson – Team Trustees