



Utah High School Hockey Policy and Procedure Guide

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1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 This manual has been prepared to clarify and outline many aspects of participation in the Utah High School Hockey, Inc. (UHSB) ice hockey program. In most cases, it is intended to serve as the final arbiter of issues and disputes. While some changes may be welcome if they can be shown to enhance the experience of all high school ice hockey players, it is important that rules and regulations not be altered without careful consideration of their long-range impact. The UHSB program has survived and thrived for more than 5 decades by maintaining a stable management environment.
- 1.1.2 The program has changed dramatically since its inception with four teams in 1975, and it will continue to evolve as new arenas, new players—including the very real possibility of all-Girls teams—and new national policies and rules emerge. However, the basic tenets of the program are as sound today as they have been in the past. They are what have made, and will continue to make, the program successful. Changes that genuinely improve the program should be encouraged. However, altering fundamental elements could result in significant and potentially harmful shifts in direction. Such changes should be approached with great caution and skepticism.
- 1.1.3 Proposals that are presented as harmless to the broader organization while benefiting only an individual or a small group should be reviewed with caution. Such proposals may not fully account for the long-term interests of UHSB as a whole and may create unintended consequences for the broader program. Any proposed change should be evaluated based on whether it benefits the entire organization, not merely a limited group. All such proposals must first be discussed at a regularly scheduled trustee meeting and may be voted on only at the subsequent monthly meeting.
- 1.1.4 Our foremost goal is to provide a healthy and safe environment in which our children can have fun. If trustees or coaches are motivated by any priority that supersedes this goal, they are serving in the wrong capacity. Every player who participates in UHSB programs should be a concern to all of us. Their welfare, safety, and happiness must remain our highest priorities.

1.2 Revision #22

- 1.2.1 Issued 08/11/2026

1.3 Policies & Procedures Revision Off Period

- 1.3.1 Prior to a vote in changes to the policy and procedures, there will be a cool off period of no less than 30 days.
- 1.3.2 During the cool off period, Trustees shall submit comments and alternative language for consideration.

1.4 Amendments

- 1.4.1 Amendments shall be submitted to the UHSB Executive Committee, in writing, by a sitting member of the UHSB Board of Trustees.
- 1.4.2 Prior to being considered as a voting item, Amendments shall be distributed to the UHSB Board of Trustees at least 10 days in advance of the next UHSB Monthly board meeting. This period opens the opportunity for clarification and constructive discussion.

- 1.4.3 A motion to accept an amendment must be made by a current, UHSH Trustee, who is in good standing. The amendment must receive a “second” to open discussion of the amendment on the table.
- 1.4.4 A quorum (50% of sitting trustees plus one) must be present for a vote. The presider of the board meeting may call for a vote. One vote per trustee is allowed.
- 1.4.5 A proxy may not vote on amendments to the bylaws if the proxy is another sitting trustee. However, a non-trustee proxy may vote on an amendment to the UHSH policies and procedures.
- 1.4.6 An amendment passes with a majority vote of Trustees present supporting the motion.

Finance

2 Tax Status

2.1 Tax Exempt Status

- 2.1.1 UHSB is a 501(c)(3) Utah Non-Profit Corporation.
- 2.1.2 Donations to UHSB are tax deductible to the extent allowed by federal and state tax authorities.
- 2.1.3 UHSB pays no Federal or State income taxes.

3 Sales Tax

3.1 Sales Tax Exempt -

- 3.1.1 UHSB is Sales Tax exempt in the State of Utah. The Utah High School Hockey, Inc. State Sales Tax Exemption Number is #N10823

3.2 Sales Tax Collection

- 3.2.1 Unless a member team makes a purchase over \$1,000.00, sales tax will be collected at the time of purchase. For amounts under \$1,000.00, teams should keep their receipts and submit them to the treasurer for credit for the sales tax, which will be reimbursed then to UHSB by the State of Utah.
- 3.2.2 Receipts must show UTAH HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY, INC., as the purchaser.

4 UHSB Team Bank Accounts

4.1 Team Bank Accounts

- 4.1.1 Each UHSB program is required to maintain a team bank account utilizing the UHSB program's financial institution and under the guidance of the UHSB Treasurer. The account shall read as follows:
- Utah High School Hockey, Inc. dba "Program Name" Hockey "Address"
 - Federal ID # 87-0487027

4.2 Utah High School Hockey Banking Signatories - Treasurer & Executive Director/Treasurer

- 4.2.1 Each team bank account shall have as signatory the Executive Director and/or treasurer of UHSB.
- 4.2.2 Upon being seated as a UHSB Trustee, the Trustee shall meet with the UHSB Treasurer to establish access to the DBA/team bank account established under Utah High School Hockey, Inc.
- 4.2.3 The Trustee shall be entrusted with the management of the program account under the Trustee's authority and jurisdiction.
- 4.2.4 The Executive Director of UHSB may direct the UHSB Treasurer to remove funds from the UHSB DBA/team bank account in the event the trustee fails to make timely payments, is incapacitated, is removed for any reason or dies.
- 4.2.5 The UHSB Executive Director and Treasurer may take steps to freeze DBA/team banking assets if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the UHSB team and/or program.
- 4.2.6 At no time is a Trustee or any other entity allowed to establish a non-UHSB bank account or other financial product under the name of a UHSB team or program.
- 4.2.7 All financial resources collected by the Trustee or team or program are to be accounted for in the UHSB bank account or financial product established by Utah High School Hockey, Inc.

5 UHSB Financial Accounting

5.1 Accounting

- 5.1.1 UHSB shall produce a statement of account activity on a quarterly basis.
 - The quarterly accounting will be made available to each team trustee.
 - The trustee is responsible for the review of the quarterly activity and reporting of corrections to the UHSB Treasurer within 30 days.
- 5.1.2 Each Team trustee shall code each of their team's financial transactions according to the categories and format provided by the UHSB Treasurer.
- 5.1.3 All team resources shall be deposited in the UHSB dba "program name" bank account established by UHSB for the purpose of managing and safeguarding each team's funds.
- 5.1.4 At any time, the UHSB Executive Committee may request an accounting of revenue and expenses of a team/program from the Trustee.
 - 5.1.4.1 No team owing funds to UHSB shall be allowed to continue to participate in the current season.
 - 5.1.4.2 No team/program owing funds to UHSB from a previous season shall be allowed to participate in UHSB.
 - 5.1.4.3 No team/program owing past due funds to a vendor shall be allowed to participate in UHSB.
 - 5.1.4.4 UHSB team/program shall be denied participation in UHSB until all accounts determined to be in arrears to UHSB or with past due payments to vendors are made current.

6 UHSB Billing of Teams/Programs

6.1 Billing

- 6.1.1 All teams will be billed, at the beginning of the season, for fees due in the amount set by the board of trustees. Teams failing to make timely payments as required by UHSB shall be suspended from further participation until such time as the fees are brought current.
- 6.1.2 UHSB may invoice for any expenses incurred by the team, such as background checks, additional ice, officials, scorekeeping fines, damages, etc. Teams failing to pay by the due date on the invoice, which shall not be less than 30 days from date of invoice, shall be referred for review and subject to sanctions including suspension from further participation until such time as the fees are brought current.
- 6.1.3 UHSB programs will be fined \$1,000.00 for each incident when a team is found to be responsible for damage to a facility or property. This fine will be imposed in addition to the repair or replacement cost of the initial damage.
- 6.1.4 Additional action, as recommended by the UHSB Executive Committee, and/or determined by the UHSB Board of Trustees, may be taken against the trustee of any team owing monies to UHSB.
- 6.1.5 Each trustee will sign the *UHSB Assignment of Funds Agreement* due each season.

7 UHSB Fundraising

7.1 Website Advertising

- 7.1.1 The purpose Website Advertising is to provide an opportunity for players to sell advertising, thereby earning funds to cover some or all of their fees.
- 7.1.1.1 All advertising monies must be paid via check or cash, or via credit card through the UHSB website.
- 7.1.1.2 All checks for donations must be made out to Utah High School Hockey, Inc.
- 7.1.1.3 UHSB will credit the account of the team on which the player participates for the proper percentage. Currently the credit is 80% of the ad income for ads paid via check and cash. For ads paid via credit card through the UHSB website the credit is 77%. This amount may change from time to time. The remaining 20%/23% goes to maintaining the Website.
- 7.1.1.4 Teams must apply funds earned by players, to that player's account. Other earnings may be used for team needs at the discretion of the team trustee.

7.2 Donations and UHSB Non-Profit Status

- 7.2.1 UHSB is a 501c3 non-profit corporation. Donors shall consult their tax advisor regarding the tax-deductible nature of their donation. UHSB shall provide a donation receipt upon request.

7.3 Other UHSB and Team Advertising

- 7.3.1 UHSB will accept no advertisements for beer, liquor or tobacco products, e-cigarettes or advertisements dealing with sexually suggestive acts or products. UHSB reserves the right to refuse any advertising which in its judgment is of an inappropriate nature.
- 7.3.2 All advertising copy must be
- submitted in a format for legible digital display.
 - All advertising must be submitted by the team to the Treasurer of UHSB.
 - All advertising copy must be accompanied by a check or cash for the entire amount of the ad.
 - Any amounts lost due to returned checks shall be charged to the account of the team which originally submitted the ad.
 - All advertising submittals must be accompanied by a completed advertising form located on the UHSB website or issued by the UHSB Treasurer. It is recommended that the team keep a copy of this form for their records.
 - Any advertising submitted without full payment, without artwork and/or without the appropriate completed form will be returned to the team.
- 7.3.3 Advertising may not be placed on any team game jersey or other game equipment.

7.4 Team Fundraising

- 7.4.1 Team fundraising activities are encouraged. Some restrictions shall govern all such activities:

- 7.4.1.1 No advertising of any kind shall be permitted to be affixed to any game uniform.
- 7.4.1.2 No sale or distribution of any alcohol product, tobacco product, e-cigarettes drug product, drug paraphernalia product, sexually explicit product or any other product deemed to be harmful to a minor or advertising of any such product may be permitted.
- 7.4.1.3 UHSB fundraising efforts shall not place any minor child in a vulnerable situation.
- 7.4.1.4 All fundraising efforts shall be tasteful and not place the UHSB or the sport in an unfavorable light.
- 7.4.2 All other forms of team or league fundraising must be approved by UHSB, and proper financial controls must be utilized to collect, track, bank and account for funds.

8 USA Hockey Insurance

8.1 USA Hockey Insurance Coverage

- 8.1.1 All UHSB players, coaches and volunteers shall be required to be registered members of USA Hockey. Any associated fees shall be paid through the USA Hockey online registration. By registering as a member of USA Hockey, participants are automatically enrolled in the USA Hockey insurance program. The following link provides a description of the insurance policies provided to registered members of USA Hockey.
<https://www.usahockey.com/insurancemanagement>

8.2 Coverage

- 8.2.1 Coverages as well as claim procedures are explained on the USA Hockey website.

Governance:

Trustee

Coach

Contractor

9 Utah High School Activities Association (UHSAA)

9.1 Utah High School Activities Association, (UHSAA)

- 9.1.1 UHSB is in no way sanctioned, supported or governed by the UHSAA. UHSAA does not recognize the existence of ice hockey as a high school sport.

10 UHSB Trustees

10.1 Utah High School Hockey Trustee Policy Statement

- 10.1.1 “It shall be the policy of UHSB that the person designated as the “program trustee” shall be the person in ultimate authority over that program, the program’s participants including volunteers, coaches, players and spectators. The trustee shall be answerable to the UHSB board of trustees for his/her actions or those of the team, players, volunteers and/or coaches under their jurisdiction and authority. Trustees shall be accountable to other governing hockey entities such as USA Hockey, Rocky Mountain District and UAHA and their governing rules and guidelines.

10.2 Trustee Authority

- 10.2.1 The program trustee is answerable to the UHSB board of trustees and other governing hockey entities. He/she may designate certain duties and responsibilities to others but ultimately will be held responsible for the safety, welfare, financial well-being and behavior of the team(s) under that trustee’s authority. All coaches, players, employees and other volunteers shall be under the jurisdiction of the program trustee with which they work and are involved.
- 10.2.2 All trustees agree to participate in the monthly board of trustees meeting. Should a trustee miss more than three (3) meetings in a row without designating a representative to attend, that trustee’s continued participation will come before the board of trustees for review and may result in dismissal.
- 10.2.3 The trustee shall appoint a head coach and may appoint assistant coaches. The trustee may remove any coach, volunteer or at-will employee at any time or may assign duties as he/she sees fit.
- 10.2.4 A trustee may be removed from their position only by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the entire UHSB Board of Trustees. The Trustee under consideration for removal is not required to attend the meeting at which the removal is discussed or voted upon.
- 10.2.5 If the Trustee removal is based on disciplinary action, the applicable procedures set forth in USA Hockey Bylaw 10 shall be followed, as applicable to the circumstances regarding Trustee removal.
- 10.2.6 A Trustee may be removed by the UHSB Board of Trustees for any of the following reasons:
- Failure to enforce or comply with UHSB, UAHA or USA Hockey Policies.
 - Failure to complete administrative tasks required for the proper formation and management of a UHSB team or program, including managing the eligibility and participation of the coaches, volunteers, and players under their authority.
 - unacceptable management or improper use of team funds; failure to rectify discrepancies.
 - Violations of UHSB rules and regulations; violation of SafeSport policy; and other offenses outlined in the USA Hockey Annual Guide.
 - conduct that is detrimental to UHSB or that brings negative attention, sanctions, or discipline upon UHSB, Utah hockey, or USA Hockey, or discipline upon UHSB, UAHA, or USA Hockey.

- 10.2.7 At no time shall a Trustee serve as a head coach in the same season.
- 10.2.8 At no time shall the head coach and trustee be related by marriage or former marriage, may not be an immediate family member, relative, former relative or other close relationship such as employer/employee.
- 10.2.9 No person may act as a program trustee until such time as that person has reached the age of 21.
- 10.2.10 No trustee may receive any financial remuneration nor any financial benefit, such as a reduction or remission of fees for their player, without:
- Disclosing to the parents of the team, in writing, the benefit that the trustee will receive from the team.
 - Receiving approval from the UHSB Executive Committee prior to any such compensation being issued.
- 10.2.11 Trustees or other volunteers may receive gifts by way of thanks, for time volunteered during the season within the following standards.
- The team may provide such gifts provided that the value of said gift does not exceed \$300.
 - Should said gifts exceed the IRS threshold for reporting, documentation of the value of the gift received may be issued by the UHSB Treasurer to the recipient via IRS designated form(s)

10.3 Trustee Registration and Required Training

- 10.3.1 Prior to serving in any capacity with the team, all trustees must complete all USA Hockey and UHSB registration and requirements each season, as set forth in USA Hockey, UAHA and UHSB governing document, for a volunteer role.
- 10.3.2 All new trustees must complete the UHSB trustee training as required by UHSB and USA Hockey before the start of their term.
- 10.3.3 All Trustees are responsible for assuring that their volunteer USA Hockey and UHSB registrations, credentials and trainings are in order, up to date and properly documented prior to the start of each season.
- 10.3.4 All Trustees must be nominated to serve as a Trustee during a regular scheduled monthly UHSB Trustee meeting and voted into the trustee position by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees prior to starting their term.
- 10.3.5 Trustees seated on the Board in mid-season will be provided with a mentor to assist in the fulfillment of their duties as a trustee and member of the UHSB Board of Trustees.
- 10.3.6 All Trustees are expected to know the USA Hockey game rules, regulations and policies of UHSB, USAH, UAHA and the Rocky Mountain District. Failure to acquire this information on one's own does not excuse a Trustee, Coach, player or Spectator from the repercussions of a rule or regulation violation.
- 10.3.7 Absent extraordinary circumstances, a trustee should not be replaced during the UHSB regular season, which is defined as between August 1 through the start of the USAH .High School Hockey National Championships final game.

10.4 The process for removal of a Trustee

10.4.1 The Board of Trustees is responsible for the appointment of trustees for a program. The members of a team may request that the Board of Trustees replace a trustee using the following procedure:

- 10.4.1.1 Those issuing the concerns or violations (Petitioner) shall submit documentation of the Trustee's alleged violations, performance deficiencies, conduct, failures, or omissions to the UHSB Executive Director and UHSB Executive Committee in written form. The violation(s) must be in the scope of USA Hockey. UAHA, UHSB or other governing hockey entity. Actions regarding criminal offenses are addressed in accordance with procedures in the USA Hockey Annual Guide.
- 10.4.1.2 If the petition is from a team, the petition must be signed by 55% of the parent/guardians of the players registered to play in the preceding season and who are eligible to participate in the following season. Only one parent/guardian signature from each player participant is allowed in meeting the 55% threshold.
- 10.4.1.3 The petition must identify a person(s) willing, able and eligible to serve as Trustee.
- 10.4.1.4 The UHSB Executive Director will initiate and complete a review of the concerns/alleged violations/petition or appoint a member of the Executive Committee to review the matter and confirm the validity of the alleged violations, observations, conduct, failures, or omissions related to the Trustee's fulfillment of their role, within 30-days of receipt of the concerns/alleged violations/petition.
- 10.4.1.5 Should the findings determine that there is cause for action, the UHSB Executive Director or appointee shall provide the trustee under review with a written summary of the concerns/allegations. The trustee under review shall be provided the opportunity to submit a written reply. The reply submitted by the trustee under review, must be received by the UHSB Executive Director or appointee within 10 days of receiving the notification to reply to the concerns/allegations.
- 10.4.1.6 The trustee under review will be provided an opportunity to address the concerns with the Executive Committee in closed door session. This session may occur in person or via video conferencing or conference call and is not to include the Petitioner/complainant. Those issuing the concerns (Petitioners/complainant) will be provided an equal opportunity to address their concerns with the Executive Committee not to include the named Trustee. These sessions may occur in person or via video conferencing, conference call, or in writing. The trustee under review is not required to appear before the UHSB Executive Committee however, the Committee is required to offer this session. The trustee under review will be provided at least 72 hours' notice of this Executive Committee session.
- 10.4.1.7 Should the trustee or the Petitioner be unresponsive to notifications to respond, the UHSB Executive Committee and/or Board of Trustees will proceed in a manner that is deemed in the best interest of the UHSB participants and UHSB.
- 10.4.1.8 Should findings support cause for removal; the concerns will be presented to the UHSB Board of Trustees at the next monthly trustee board meeting or special session called for the purpose of addressing the pending trustee removal or both. The portion of the meeting concerning the trustee under review shall be closed to all except the trustee under review, the current UHSB Trustees, pre-disclosed witnesses from either the Petitioner or the trustee under review.

- The Trustee under review is not required to be present when the UHSB Board of Trustees reviews the concerns but may be present should they choose.
- The trustee under review will be allowed a predetermined amount of time to present their reply to the UHSB Board of Trustees.

10.4.1.9 After the Petitioner(s) and the trustee under review have had equal time to present their allegations/case/evidence of violation(s), the UHSB Board of Trustees shall enter the deliberation phase where the concerns/allegations and the reply of the Trustee under review, will be discussed. The deliberations phase shall remain a closed session.

10.4.1.10 The closed sessions in the matter of a trustee under review will be presided by the UHSB Executive Director or their appointee or the UHSB Discipline Chair.

10.4.1.11 Should any of presiding parties have a conflict of interest, the UHSB Executive Committee shall agree on an alternate presider who may be a non-Trustee with experience in sports management and/or arbitration of similar matters.

10.4.1.12 During the deliberations phase of the UHSB Board of Trustees, the trustee under review is not allowed additional time to plead their case however additional time may be allowed, by the presider, to both parties to answer questions posed from the Board of Trustees.

- At the conclusion of the Trustee deliberations, any UHSB Trustee, in good standing, may make a motion to dismiss the concern or motion to remove the trustee under review.
- The presider may table a Trustee vote to a later time or date to consider new information presented during the deliberations phase.

10.4.1.13 If at any time, during this process, it is suspected or learned that the trustee has violated USA Hockey SafeSport policy, the incident shall be reported to USA Hockey through the USAH reporting mechanism and UHSB shall proceed according to USAH SafeSport policy and guidance.

10.4.2 Appealing a Trustee Removal Decision

10.4.2.1 The decision of the Board of Trustee is final and not eligible for appeal except as allowed by USA Hockey Bylaw 10. USA Hockey Bylaw 10 provides a uniform method of resolving disputes and is a full and complete substitute for any court proceedings and that utilizes the specific skills, expertise and background of individuals experienced in the sport of hockey and sports administration.

10.4.2.2 The procedures in USAH Bylaw 10 are referred to collectively as the USA Hockey Dispute Resolution Procedure. Bylaw 10 may be found in the USA Hockey Annual Guide.

10.4.2.3 Appeals of the decisions of the UHSB Board shall be handled in accordance with UHSB policies, Utah Amateur Hockey Association policies, and USA Hockey policies.

11 UHSB Coaches

11.1 Appointing Head Coaches

- 11.1.1 The team trustee teams must designate one head coach for each team. Co-head coaches are not permitted.
- 11.1.2 All head coaches shall be appointed to that position by the UHSB trustee administering the applicable program.
- 11.1.3 All head coaches shall serve subject to the approval of the team trustee and the UHSB Board of Trustees.

11.2 Appointing Assistant Coaches

- 11.2.1 Assistant coaches shall be appointed to their positions by either the trustee or the head coach of the program in which the prospective assistant coach wishes to participate, (as determined by the trustee), and shall be subject to approval by the UHSB board of trustees. The UHSB Board of Trustees shall have the final say in the participation of all UHSB Assistant Coaches.
- 11.2.2 No currently registered UHSB player may act in any coaching capacity for UHSB.
- 11.2.3 Student Coaches are not allowed in the UHSB program.

11.3 Removal from Coaching Position

- 11.3.1 Any coach may be removed from his/her position, for any reason whatsoever, by either the trustee of the program in which he/she participates, or by the UHSB board of trustees. The process for coach removal shall be conducted using a 3-Strikes policy or a violation that results in removal:
- 11.3.2 3-Strikes Policy - Coaches
 - 11.3.2.1 An initial documented and verified policy violation will precipitate follow up with the coach, by the trustee, executive board member, chairperson of discipline, or chairperson of eligibility. First offense will result in the minimum of a warning letter. UHSB Discipline Committee or Executive Committee retain the right to issue discipline measures beyond the warning letter.
 - A documented and verified second violation results in a meeting with the UHSB Executive Director and the Discipline Committee representative(s) and one or more game suspension.
 - A documented and verified third violation results in immediate removal from the coaching position.

11.4 Coach Training

- 11.4.1 All coaches shall complete training or other requirements imposed by USA Hockey prior to being eligible for inclusion on the team's USA Hockey 1-T roster.
- 11.4.2 Said requirements shall be completed in accordance with the time mandated by USA Hockey (or Utah Amateur Hockey Association) and no coach shall be permitted to participate in on-ice or off-ice training/activities including team meetings, locker room chalk talks, bench coaching, or similar if the coach is not on the approved USA Hockey 1-T roster.

- 11.4.3 Should a coach fail to complete their Coaching Certification Program update or SafeSport training/refresher course and those credentials expire; the coach is immediately ineligible to continue participating with the team in a coaching capacity.

11.5 Coach Age Limitations

- 11.5.1 To serve in the position of Head Coach with Utah High School Hockey (UHSB), an individual must be at least twenty-one years of age (21) and complete all USA Hockey coaching requirements prior to participating with the team and must maintain all coaching education and training requirements to remain eligible to serve as a Utah High School Hockey coach and not be a current youth player.
- 11.5.2 In order to serve in the position of UHSB assistant coach, a person must reach the age of 19 during the current season and complete all USA Hockey coaching requirements prior to participating with the team and must maintain all coaching education and training requirements to remain eligible to serve as a Utah High School Hockey coach and not be a current youth player in the same season.

11.6 Coach Registration

- 11.6.1 All coaches and assistant coaches must complete the Utah High School Hockey online “Volunteer/Coaching Application” prior to acting in any coaching capacity for UHSB.
- 11.6.1.1 The Registrar will declare this deadline each season.
- 11.6.2 Assistant coaches may serve with the approval of the team Trustee and provided they are eligible per USA Hockey, UAHA, RMD and UHSB policies, rules, regulations, UHSB board decisions and are in good standing.

11.7 Emergency Coaches

- 11.7.1 Should a team determine that it will not have a team coach, from its current, approved USA Hockey 1-T roster, on their bench for a particular game, it shall be the policy of UHSB that the team trustee of the program needing a coach may submit a written request (email or text) to the UHSB Executive Director prior to the game and under the following conditions:
- 11.7.1.1 The requested replacement coach is registered and rostered as a coach with another UHSB team under the jurisdiction of UHSB;
- 11.7.1.2 The requested replacement coach is not under suspension or discipline at the time of the sanctioned event/game they are requested to cover.
- 11.7.1.3 The requesting team do so only up to three times a season. If the team exceeds three requests, the coach(es) may be replaced on the team’s USAH 1-T roster, during and/or after review by the UHSB Executive Committee;
- 11.7.1.4 The requested replacement coach shall not be subject to suspension assessed to the previous head coach or for any actions of the requesting team, except as noted in the USA Hockey Playing Rules and governing policies.
- 11.7.2 Should the UHSB Executive Director not be available, the request should be sent to the following Executive Committee member in order noted, for approval:
- UHSB VP of Affiliated Teams
 - UHSB VP of Independent Teams
 - UAHA VP of High School

- 11.7.3 A UHSB program shall fill a head coach vacancy within 14 days of notification that the existing head coach is no longer eligible.

11.8 Automatic & Immediate Suspension of Coach/Trustee

- 11.8.1 Refer to the USA Hockey Bylaw 10 Procedure for Suspension and Discipline of Members and the USA Hockey Memorandum dated 8/20/15 for guidance and understanding of the main principles of USA Hockey Disciplinary Procedures.
- 11.8.2 Refer to the USA Hockey rule book for playing rules related to immediate suspension of a coach due to a violation of playing rules.
- 11.8.3 Refer to USA Hockey and UAHA guide on Summary Suspensions.

12 UHSB Standing Committees

12.1 UHSB Committees

- 12.1.1 At the beginning of each season, the UHSB Board shall accept nominations for the position of chairperson for the
- Eligibility,
 - Discipline,
 - Scholarship & Awards
 - Playoffs
 - and other committees as needed.
- 12.1.2 The committee chairperson must be a current trustee. Chairpersons are subject to the approval of a majority vote of the board of trustees. Non trustees may serve on a committee but at no time may they serve in the chairperson role.
- 12.1.3 If no nominations are offered from the pool of current trustees, the board of trustees may choose to approve continuation of a non-trustee chairperson. The UHSB Executive Director may appoint trustees to chair or staff a UHSB committee. All chairpersons are subject to a majority vote of the board of trustees. Non-trustee volunteers can be voting committee members but may not vote on UHSB general business matters.
- 12.1.4 All Committee members must be in good standing with the UHSB board of trustees.
- 12.1.5 All Committees report to the UHSB Board of Trustees

12.2 COMMITTEE NAME AND RESPONSIBILITY

- 12.2.1 **Eligibility Committee:** Player Eligibility, Player Assignments. Works closely with the UHSB Registrar, the Discipline Chairperson and the UHSB Executive Committee.
- 12.2.2 **Disciplinary Committee:** Disciplinary Issues, Tracking and Recording of player, coach, team and program violations and related discipline. Communication with team trustees regarding discipline of participants under the trustee's authority. Conducts supplemental discipline hearings and notifications. Serves as main point of contact with the UAHA Discipline Chairperson and Committee.
- 12.2.3 **All-Star Committee:** All-Star Game Players and Coaches. Includes scheduling and coordinating the All-Star Events; All Star player and coach nominations, eligibility, selections, communications, event schedule. Works with the UHSB Scheduler, Webmaster, Awards Committee, Treasurer, media persons and All-Star venue personnel.
- 12.2.4 **Awards and Scholarship Committee:** Robinson, Hixson, Jones, Teece, Brown, Herbstritt, MVP awards, Academic All-Stars, and any other UHSB awards recognitions and related events.
- 12.2.5 **Finance Committee:** Develop Annual Budget, Surveillance on use of team and league funds, provide mentorship to trustees regarding financial accountability, report financial concerns to the UHSB Executive Committee.

- 12.2.6 **Playoff Committee:** Address issues during playoffs not covered herein.
- 12.2.7 **Fundraising/Sponsorship Committee:** Fundraising/Sponsorship
- 12.2.8 **Grow the Game Committee:** Increase overall visibility for UHSB and other activities
TBD
- 12.2.9 **UHSB Goalie Development Committee:** Ascertain needs, leverage local resources, schedule events for Goalie development. Work with the trustees, volunteers, UAHA Goalie Representative, UHSB Treasurer, Webmaster and Schedule to plan and host goalie and goalie coach development related educational and training events.
- 12.2.10 **Scheduling Committee:** Scheduling of games, tournaments, other UHSB on-ice events. Committee works with the UHSB Scheduler to review the regular season schedule for errors, omissions and to provide constructive feedback in crafting an equitable season long schedule.
- 12.2.11 **Skills Competition Committee:** On Ice Skills Competition during the All-Star game. Works with the All-Star Committee.
- 12.2.12 **Social Media Committee:** Establishes UHSB Social Media Standards for the use of by UHSB participants including teams, programs, volunteers, etc. Participates in Trustee training. Understands and educates UHSB participants on USA Hockey policies, SafeSport guidelines, UAHA and UHSB Policies and Procedures regarding the use of social media. Participates in the recruitment of social media volunteers.

13 UHSB Compensated Positions

13.1 Establishing Compensated Positions

13.1.1 At such time that the UHSB Board of Trustees determines that there is a need for a new compensated position, the board shall:

- Vote on creating such a position
- Vote on proposed salary
- Convene a committee to develop the position description, hiring criteria and application process to be approved by majority vote of the board of trustees
- Upon approval, the Board of Trustees will establish an interview committee and initiate the process to review candidate applications, shortlisting the final candidates to no more than three eligible persons.
- Trustees will review the shortlist of candidates.
- The UHSB Executive Committee shall vote on a final candidate and present the candidate to the BOT for ratification by majority vote.

13.2 Compensated Contract/Agreement

13.2.1 The Executive Director will oversee the authoring of all compensated contract/agreements.

13.2.2 Contracts should include but not be limited to

- Deliverables
- Scope of work/assignment
- Performance Metrics

13.2.3 Contracts shall be presented to the Board of Trustees for review and approval

13.2.4 The Executive Director will provide the contract (executed) to the treasurer for budget and financial planning.

13.2.5 Treasurer to maintain storage of all compensated staff signed contracts/agreements.

13.3 Retention of Compensated Position

13.3.1 All UHSB compensated positions shall be reviewed annually to determine performance against contract/agreement terms.

13.3.2 Performance shall be rated using a Likert scale of 1-5 or similar instrument

- A score of 5 is equivalent to exceeding expectations.
- A score of 3 is equivalent to meeting minimum expectations. Subject to retention or replacement action.
- A score of 2 or 1 is equivalent to failing to meet expectations of the contract terms and subject to remedial action or subject severing of the contract.

14 UHSB Participant Screening, Training and Certification

14.1 Screening, Training and Certifications

- 14.1.1 The cost of the USA Hockey background screening shall be paid by the individual applicant/registering participant. Each UHSB program may choose, at their discretion, to reimburse team leadership for the cost of the USA Hockey background screening.
- 14.1.2 Required screenings, trainings, certifications and registrations may include but are not limited to the following:
- UHSB Application for player, coach, and/or volunteer
 - UHSB background screening prior to participation.
 - Background screening at any time during the season as requested.
 - National, Regional, State or other governing entities.
 - Trustees are required to participate in the annual Trustee Training and additional training as requested by the UHSB Executive Committee.

15 UHSB Website

15.1 UHSB Website

- 15.1.1 UHSB websites are the property of UHSB.
- 15.1.2 Trustees are permitted to post team information and items of interest on their team specific pages.
- 15.1.3 All UHSB website content must comply with USA Hockey guidelines and policies regarding digital media and communications.
 - 15.1.3.1 No photos, videos or stories of a detrimental nature or advertisements for tobacco, alcohol, e-cigarettes or pornographic materials are permitted. Additionally, other content considered to be inappropriate by the UHSB Executive Committee, Discipline Committee and/or Board of Trustees may result in disciplinary action against the Trustee, Team Personnel, UHSB participants, spectators and/or entire teams .

UHSB

Player

Participation

16 UHSB Seasons

16.1 UHSB Regular and Post-Season

- 16.1.1 UHSB shall recognize its regular season as starting August 1 and concluding 48 hours after the start of final USA Hockey High School National Championships Tournament game.
 - 16.1.1.1 UHSB shall conduct all regular season competitions including season championships during the regular season time frame.
- 16.1.2 The period between the end of the regular UHSB season and July 31 will be considered the UHSB “Off Season”.
- 16.1.3 The UHSB Board of Trustees may, by majority vote, offer clinics, classes, and events aimed at high school-aged player development during the Off Season. Eligibility, fees, registration, oversight and management of such offerings will comply with all USAH, UAHA and UHSB rules, regulations and policies.

17 UHSB Participant Eligibility, Registration, Sanctioned/Non-Sanctioned Play

17.1 Participant Eligibility and Registration

- 17.1.1 All USA Hockey Participants (players, coaches, volunteers) must complete the USA Hockey registration process. USA Hockey provides the opportunity for Participants to register using the USA Hockey website, usahockey.com. If online registration is not available, please contact your District or Associate Registrar for assistance.
- 17.1.2 Each Participant (player, coach, volunteer) will pay the USA Hockey individual membership fee and any applicable Affiliate individual membership fee at the time of online registration. A Participant registered as a Player shall not be required to pay an additional fee as a Coach and a Participant registered as a Coach shall not be required to pay an additional fee as a Player.
- 17.1.3 Participant registration is complete when the individual member registration information and all appropriate fees are received, and the Participant is processed by a USA Hockey Member Program. A USA Hockey Member Program is a local association approved by a USA Hockey Affiliate. Please refer to the Affiliate listing in the Directory section of the Annual Guide for Affiliate contact information. Once the registration process is complete, the Participant will receive an email confirmation of membership. Players and coaches receive a subscription to USA Hockey Magazine. For all Participants (players, coaches, volunteers), USA Hockey registration shall be completed prior to participation in a USA Hockey sanctioned event. Please refer to usahockey.com for information on insurance coverages when participating in a USA Hockey sanctioned event.
- 17.1.4 To be eligible to participate in UHSB sanctioned activities, or in an administrative/management role, each trustee, coach and player and volunteer who is 17 years of age or older on December 31, of the current playing season, must complete and submit to UHSB, all applicable registration application materials as determined by UHSB, UAHA and USA Hockey.

- 17.1.4.1 Each trustee, volunteer, coach and player must comply with all training and credentialing requirements of UHSB, UAHA and USA Hockey.
- 17.1.4.2 Any team trustee, team manager, locker room manager, team volunteer who will have frequent contact with minor-aged athletes must be on the team's approved USA Hockey 1-T roster prior to participating with the team or team events. Team events include games, practices, gatherings or similar team events
- 17.1.4.3 The team trustee will have responsibility for assuring that all persons participating in team events and activities are on the team's approved USA Hockey 1-T roster for the current season.

17.2 Non-Utah High School Hockey Players

- 17.2.1 All players, coaches, and volunteers involved in any UHSB team event must be registered members of USA Hockey, must be on the team's USA Hockey 1-T roster and must not be serving a suspension. USA Hockey registration is required by all UHSB player, coaches, volunteers and paid staff.
- 17.2.2 All UHSB team or program events must follow the sanctioned play guidelines set forth in the USA Hockey Annual Guidebook USA Hockey Playing Rules, USAH SafeSport policies and UAHA policies. Refer to the USAH Annual guide published on the USAH website and the published UAHA Policies and Procedures for specific guidance

17.3 Sanctioned and Non-Sanctioned Play

- 17.3.1 USA Hockey, as the National Governing Body for ice hockey in the United States, provides the guidelines for sanctioned and non-sanctioned play pursuant to USA Hockey's authority under the Amateur Sports Act (36 U.S.C. § 220501 et. seq.).
- 17.3.2 No UHSB-registered team may have non-USA Hockey 1-T rostered players, coaches or volunteers on the team, at practices, in the locker rooms, on the players bench, or functioning as skills coaches or in a role that involves close contact with minor-aged athletes.
- 17.3.3 The Utah Amateur Hockey Association may impose additional guidance and sanctions regarding non-sanctioned game play. Refer to the UAHA policies for the most up to date information.

18 Player Eligibility

Except as specifically provided below, any high school student shall be given an equal opportunity to participate in UHSB programs, subject to the following qualifications:

18.1 High School Enrollment Qualifications

- 18.1.1 UHSB Regular Season participation is restricted to amateurs who are enrolled as full-time students (grades 9-12), and under 20 years of age on or before December 31 of the Playing Season. Eligibility shall not exceed eight (8) consecutive semesters starting with the player's freshman year (9th grade). Fifth year and Postgraduate (PG) players are not eligible to participate on USA Hockey High School national championship bound registered teams.
- 18.1.2 For home-schooled students, the term "attend" shall mean that the student is enrolled at a high school and is designated as carrying sufficient credits to be considered a full time-student for which credit toward high school graduation will be granted by the high school upon the student completing and passing the courses. The school which enrolls the student shall be exclusively responsible to verify the student's compliance with all of the eligibility requirements for participation with UHSB.
- 18.1.3 Players Registered in a Home School Program not offered through the high school or Registered in an Online Program are eligible to participate on a UHSB independent team.
- 18.1.4 A student enrolled full time in a school which only offers online instruction, shall play for a UHSB independent team as assigned by UHSB approved team boundaries or decision of the UHSB Eligibility Committee. Home-School students whose program, transcript and graduation documents are not issued by the Affiliated team high school shall play for an independent team.
- 18.1.5 The team trustee shall be responsible to verify the student's eligibility for the team. The UHSB Registrar and Eligibility Committee will oversee compliance with all player eligibility requirements per the policies herein. The Trustee may request that the UHSB Registrar assist with eligibility verification of their player(s).
- 18.1.6 Those High School students graduating mid-year or during the season shall no longer be considered full-time students and, therefore, are no longer eligible to play High School hockey, effective on their last day of attending classes full-time as defined by the school.

18.2 Team Registration Eligibility

- 18.2.1 Except in cases where a UHSB offers substitute goaltender process, no student may participate on any UHSB team other than the one affiliated with or sponsored by the UHSB program which the individual is eligible or assigned per UHSB Boundaries or the UHSB Eligibility Committee or per Girls League policy as noted herein.

18.3 Ineligibility: Players are Ineligible to Participate if They Meet One or More of the Following Criteria:

- 18.3.1 No high school student shall be eligible to play on a UHSB ice hockey team, during the regular season, for any reason or under any circumstance for more than eight (8) consecutive semesters starting with the player's 9th grade season.

- 18.3.2 No individual who is a graduate of a regular three- or four-year high school or similar secondary school, home school or online school shall be eligible to participate in any UHSB program as a player. This includes those who graduate prior to their senior year or during the season.
- 18.3.3 No student shall be eligible to participate in UHSB unless he or she is enrolled as a full- time student, in an accredited Utah school at the affiliated (pure) school for which the student would play. Or, if on an independent team, at the Utah middle school, charter school, alternative school, prep school, special school, private school, home school, online school or equivalent. Players registered with a USA Hockey Affiliate other than Utah are ineligible to participate with UHSB.
- 18.3.4 Students enrolled in an educational institution or program outside of Utah or not recognized by the Utah Board of Education are not eligible to participate in UHSB. The parent/guardian must present enrollment/attendance documentation to UHSB to verify player eligibility.
- 18.3.4.1 Players who are inclusive of an inter-affiliate agreement between UAHA and another state Affiliate, may be eligible under the agreement if in compliance with all other eligibility requirements herein.
- 18.3.5 The Board of Trustees from time to time may deem players and or teams ineligible for failure to adhere to UHSB bylaws and policies.
- 18.3.6 Students graduating after or prior to completing 8 eligibility semesters are no longer eligible to participate with UHSB effective on their last day of attending classes full-time
- 18.3.7 No student shall be permitted to participate in any UHSB activity unless in good financial and behavioral standing at the school which the student is enrolled.
- 18.3.8 No otherwise eligible individual may participate in any UHSB sponsored activity if that individual receives any funds or other valuable compensation for playing.
- 18.3.9 No student shall be permitted to participate if convicted of a felony as that term is defined or used in the statutes of the State of Utah.
- 18.3.10 No student shall be permitted to participate if they turn 20 before December 31st of the current playing season.
- 18.3.11 No player may participate in any UHSB-sanctioned activity unless he/she complies with all of the following:
- Paid all current and applicable fees.
 - Completed, executed and submitted all appropriate registration materials.
 - Is rostered on a UHSB-1-T roster as a player on a team that is participating in the sanctioned event/activity.
 - Adheres to the bylaws and policies and procedures of UHSB.
 - Adheres to one's Team Rules.
- 18.3.12 No student shall be permitted to participate in any UHSB activity at a specific arena if that student has been banned from that arena by the arena management.
- 18.3.13 No billeted players may participate in UHSB on a UHSB team or team activities or in any capacity including practices. Billeted is defined as players who:
- come from outside the state of Utah or,

- who are living with a family which is not their own or,
- may or may not be paying a fee to the family they are living with or,
- are living in Utah for the sole purpose of playing with a travel team within the state of Utah or,
- if the living arrangement has established a legal guardianship or other legal arrangement that is not court-appointed for the welfare of the player/student/minor or,
- if a non-legal relationship with a Utah resident(s) for the purpose of participating in a Utah sport or other similar non-resident-like arrangement.

18.3.14 Living scenarios that are court appointed will be taken under advisement by the UHSB Eligibility Committee for consideration.

18.3.15 The UHSB Eligibility Committee and Board of Trustees reserve the right to apply other criteria that preserve the integrity of high school hockey division play, the vision of UHSB, fair play and enjoyment of the game. UAHA Residency and other billet guidelines will apply. Individuals recruited from outside the state of Utah to for play on any Utah or Utah affiliated team/program are ineligible.

18.3.16 Players, their parent/guardian, billeted family, or equivalent who do not disclose or who provide limited or deceptive information to gain a roster position on a UHSB team are ineligible for UHSB. Trustees, coaches, volunteers, players or others who facilitate such deception are subject to discipline or removal.

18.3.17 Any individual whose primary resident is outside of the State of Utah including billeted or similar relocated, non-resident individual is ineligible to participate in UHSB.

18.3.18 A billeted or out of state player whose size or skill is considered small or marginal is not reason to set UHSB eligibility rules aside therefore all billeted or similar/equivalent players are ineligible for UHSB participation.

18.3.19 Players who leave their home state to pursue travel hockey opportunities in Utah whether to play at a more competitive level or not, are ineligible for UHSB participation.

18.3.20 Players who move to Utah for competitive hockey are ineligible for UHSB participation in the same season.

18.3.21 A player who becomes rostered as a player or becomes a “practice player” on a team purporting to represent an institution of higher education or equivalent team shall permanently give up their high school eligibility.

18.3.22 Players who are rostered on a Utah Tier 1 team are eligible for participation on a UHSB team in seasons where UHSB, UAHA allows Tier I players.

18.3.23 Players who are rostered on a juniors team or team that is similar or equivalent to a juniors level team are ineligible to participate in UHSB for the duration of the season. The UHSB Eligibility Committee will determine the level of play of equivalent teams.

18.3.24 Players who register and/or are rostered on a UHSB team and subsequently register or roster with a juniors team as a regular roster or practice player will immediately lose their UHSB eligibility for the remainder of the season. No refunds will be issued by UHSB or its programs in these instances.

- 18.3.25 The UHSB board of trustees, may deem players, coaches and or teams ineligible for demonstrated failure to adhere to UHSB bylaws and policies and procedures and/or USA Hockey bylaws and policies and procedures regarding player eligibility and rostering.
- 18.3.26 Players who leave Utah to participate in a hockey program or on an out of state team, during the regular season, are not ineligible for UHSB for the remainder of the regular UHSB season.
- 18.3.27 A player rostered on a team registered under an Affiliate of USA Hockey other than the Utah Amateur Hockey Association are ineligible to participate in UHSB unless a release is provided from the other Affiliate and an inter-affiliate agreement is in place to allow such rostering on the UHSB team. All other eligibility policies apply.
- 18.3.28 Except as allowed herein, a player who resides in Utah, in the off-season only, is not eligible to participate in any program of UHSB. The off-season begins 48 hours after the USA Hockey High School National Championship final game.

18.4 Off Season Eligibility

- 18.4.1 Off Season eligibility for UHSB sponsored tournaments, clinics, instructional events, introductory sessions, off-season leagues shall be defined in those offerings.

18.5 Certification of Eligibility

- 18.5.1 Any UHSB eligible player and his/her parent or guardian shall, upon reasonable notification from the eligibility committee or Executive Committee, be required to certify or recertify and establish his or her eligibility to participate in the programs of UHSB, to the satisfaction of the UHSB eligibility committee. This includes the parent/guardian being required to submit or resubmit school or academic enrollment verification.

18.6 Recruiting

- 18.6.1 Neither UHSB nor its member programs shall actively or otherwise recruit, or attempt to recruit, players from outside their jurisdiction or boundaries of influence, attempt to influence, aid or abet such players in the submittal of falsified registration information of such a nature as to deceive or attempt to deceive the UHSB or the UAHA registrar in registering players with an UHSB program outside of their assigned boundary team. UHSB and its programs will cooperate with UAHA in reviewing and investigating all allegations regarding such conduct.

18.7 Informational Basis for Determinations

- 18.7.1 The UHSB eligibility committee, executive board, and board of trustees can change player eligibility decisions at any time if new information, facts or circumstances arise, or if previous details are found to be untrue or misrepresented. Accepting payment from an individual does not prevent the UHSB Board from changing player eligibility or boundary team determinations.

18.8 Divisional Eligibility Requirements

- 18.8.1 High School teams shall register in their appropriate division which shall be governed by eligibility requirements of the respective Affiliates (UAHA). The following definitions apply to UHSB team registration classifications:
- 18.8.1.1 **Division I (Pure):** High school teams that consist of players attending the same high school or participating in the same educational program as full-time students who are eligible to play in sanctioned varsity sports at that school.

- 18.8.1.2 **Division II (Combined):** Community or non-community based academic high schools where teams consist of players representing more than one high school who are full-time students eligible to play sanctioned varsity sports at any one of the combined schools.
- 18.8.1.3 **Prep School Division:** Boarding schools or Academies that house players in a school dormitory or with billet families, and non-community based high schools consisting of full-time students attending the same school and non-community based online schools. All teams, players and coaches must register with USA Hockey prior to application for participation.
- 18.8.1.4 **Girls Division:** Pure, Combined, or prep school teams consisting of full-time, female students attending the same high school or prep school, attending more than one high school/prep school, or full-time students that are eligible to play sanctioned varsity sports at that school.

18.9 Team Assignments Eligibility Requirements

- 18.9.1 Eligible players may participate with one UHSB program except for Girls who are eligible for the UHSB Girls Division and the UHSB Coed Division teams and an accordance with USAH and UAHA rules for multi-program or multi-team rostering. Refer to Goaltender participation rules for player eligibility in games for a team which is not the UHSB boundary team and other policy found herein.
- 18.9.2 Players attending more than one high school or enrolled in more than one educational institution/program will be assigned to a team by the eligibility committee. The player will be placed on the 1-T roster of the team they are assigned prior to participation with any UHSB team.
- 18.9.3 Independent team eligibility boundaries are determined by the UHSB Board of Trustees and may be revisited prior to each season.
- 18.9.4 Due to the dissolution of a team or program during the season, the UHSB Eligibility Committee will recommend player reassignments. Such reassignments shall be approved by majority vote of the UHSB Board of Trustees and shall be in compliance with USA Hockey and UAHA team formation rules, classifications and other guidelines.
- 18.9.5 Affiliated and Independent teams are classified/defined in the USA Hockey Annual Guide. UHSB will abide by these classifications.
- 18.9.6 Utah High School Hockey is for Utah residents who reside with their Utah family/parent/guardian, in Utah and attend school in Utah.
- 18.9.7 Any additional terms of eligibility as adopted by USA Hockey and published in the USA Hockey Annual Guide, UAHA and the UHSB board of trustees will apply.

19 UHSB Team Rules

19.1 Team Rules

- 19.1.1 Prior to start of the season, each new program shall establish and publish a set of “team rules” and supply a copy to the UHSB secretary and the UHSB disciplinary committee chairperson and be provided upon request.
- 19.1.2 Each set of team rules **shall be presented to and signed by the player and parent/guardian** each season. The signed copies shall be considered an enforceable agreement and shall be kept by the trustee. These signed agreements may be requested at any time by the UHSB Executive Committee or other UHSB appointee.
- 19.1.3 The team trustee shall acquire a signed document from each player and their parent/guardian noting that they have read, understand and agree to adhere to the Player’s Code of Conduct team rules, team fees and team payment terms.
- 19.1.4 The team trustee shall be responsible for assuring that team social media and photography posts are team-related, tasteful, not offensive and in compliance with USA Hockey and USAH SafeSport policies and standards, supportive and positive in nature.

19.2 Parent’s Code of Conduct

- 19.2.1 UHSB trustees will inform parents of the USA Hockey Parent Code of Conduct through education and distribution of team rules prior to the start of each season.
- 19.2.2 The team trustee shall pursue and receive a signed document that demonstrates that the parent/guardian has read and understands the USAH Parent Code of Conduct as a condition of their player participating in the UHSB program. This may be included in the signed agreement required of each participant and parent/guardian or supplemental document.
- 19.2.3 It is an expectation that the team trustee will take action to address parent/guardian conduct that violates the USA Hockey Parent Code of Conduct.
- 19.2.4 Parents and guardians of UHSB participants are responsible for the conduct of their guests during UHSB hosted events.
- 19.2.5 Any educational action taken by the team trustee shall be done in a respectful, safe manner and in accordance with USA Hockey, UAH and UHSB guidance.
- 19.2.6 Any suspensions or terminations from participation in the UHSB shall be issued in compliance with USA Hockey policies and bylaws.
- 19.2.7 Any action taken by law enforcement to prohibit the attendance of any parent/guardian from a venue will be upheld by UHSB.

19.3 Spectator Code of Conduct Policy Statement

- 19.3.1 It is the policy of UHSB that all trustees read and understand their responsibility to educate their spectators/guests regarding the USA Hockey Spectator Code of Conduct and to uphold the standards in the USA Hockey Spectator Code of Conduct
 - 19.3.1.1 UHSB Trustees shall use reasonable judgement to enforce the USA Hockey Spectator Code of Conduct through spectator education.

- 19.3.1.2 Trustee responsibilities regarding the Spectator Code of Conduct includes understanding and adhering to expectations of the venues where UHSB activities and events are underway.
- 19.3.1.3 Trustees and UHSB coaching staff are expected to know the venue guidelines including but not limited to arrival and departure times; acceptable viewing areas; restricted areas; locker room condition; bench area condition; use of pucks; use of rink items (nets) or other training items, use of the rink clock, etc.
- 19.3.1.4 Responsibility to Know and Follow Conduct Standards. Trustees, coaches, volunteers, participants, parents, and spectators are responsible for knowing and following the applicable USA Hockey Codes of Conduct. Lack of knowledge of these standards does not excuse a violation or prevent disciplinary action for conduct that violates USA Hockey, UHSB, UAHA, or related governing policies.

19.4 Coach's Code of Conduct

- 19.4.1 It shall be the policy of UHSB that all instructors participating in any UHSB-sanctioned activity shall read, understand and agree to adhere to and be bound by all provisions of the "Coach's Code of Conduct". No coach shall be allowed to participate in UHSB until he/she has completed all applicable registration materials and has executed a copy of the "Coach's Code of Conduct".
- 19.4.2 All USA Hockey regulations regarding coach eligibility, credentials, background screening, SafeSport training and other coach requirements are always in effect.
- 19.4.3 It is the responsibility of each coach to achieve and maintain USA Hockey coaching eligibility. Failure to do so will result in immediate ineligibility and dismissal from a coaching position with UHSB.
- 19.4.4 Participating with a UHSB team in the role as a coach while ineligible may result in discipline by UHSB, UAHA Discipline Committee or USA Hockey. Discipline may extend to the team trustee, the team and/or the UHSB program.

Player Safety

20 UHSB Player Safety – SafeSport

20.1 Sexual Abuse of a Minor

- 20.1.1 The safety of USA Hockey participants is of paramount importance to USA Hockey. USA Hockey Safe Sport is the organization's program related to off-ice safety.
- 20.1.2 USA Hockey has long had systems in place to protect its participants from physical abuse, sexual abuse and other types of abuse and misconduct that can be harmful to youth hockey players and other participants. These include without limitation Physical Abuse, Sexual Abuse, Screening, Locker Room Supervision and Hazing Policies, in addition to Codes of Conduct applicable to administrators, coaches, officials, parents, players and spectators. The USA Hockey Safe Sport Handbook is intended to update and collect USA Hockey's various policies to protect its participants from all types of misconduct and abuse.
- 20.1.3 Any persons banned or suspended by the Center for SafeSport because of a SafeSport violation can be searched by name and sport through the link below.

<https://uscenterforsafesport.org/response-and-resolution/centralized-disciplinary-database/>
- 20.1.4 All persons who have been convicted of any crime involving sexual abuse of a minor shall not participate as a UHSB trustee, coach or hold any other position with UHSB which would involve any contact with or control over any minor child under the jurisdiction of UHSB.

20.2 Use Sale or Distribution of Controlled Substances, Illegal Drugs, Alcohol & Tobacco Products

- 20.2.1 UHSB has a zero-tolerance policy for abuse of any controlled substances, illegal drugs, prescription drugs, alcohol or tobacco products including vaping products, recreational drugs and chewing tobacco. UHSB will follow all USA Hockey policies and procedures, rules and regulation in this matter.

20.3 Locker Room Policy

- 20.3.1 Utah High School Hockey shall adopt and adhere to the UAHA Locker Room Policy
- 20.3.2 In addition to the development of our hockey players and enjoyment of the sport of hockey, the safety and protection of our participants is central to UAHA's goals. UAHA adheres to USA Hockey's SafeSport Program as a means to help protect its participants from physical abuse, sexual abuse and other types of misconduct, including emotional abuse, bullying, threats, harassment and hazing. To help prevent abuse or misconduct from occurring in our locker rooms, UAHA has adopted the following locker room policy. This policy is designed to maintain personal privacy as well as to reduce the risk of misconduct in locker rooms. Member Organizations in our Affiliate may also occasionally or regularly travel to play games at other arenas, and those locker rooms, rest rooms and shower facilities will vary from location to location. When travelling to arenas with which they are not familiar, parents should plan to have extra time and flexibility in making arrangements for their child to dress, undress and shower if desired.

20.4 Locker Room Monitoring

- 20.4.1 UAHA has predictable and limited use of locker rooms and changing areas (generally 30 minutes before and following practices and games.). This allows for direct and regular monitoring of locker room areas. While constant monitoring inside of locker rooms and changing areas might be the most effective way to prevent problems, we understand that this would likely make some players uncomfortable and may even place coaches and parents at risk for unwarranted suspicion. It is the policy of USA Hockey/UAHA that all Member Organizations have at least one responsible screened adult present monitoring the locker room during all team events to ensure that only participants (coaches and players), approved team personnel and family members are permitted in the locker room and to supervise the conduct in the locker room. Acceptable locker room monitoring could include having locker room monitors in the locker room while participants are in the locker room or having a locker room monitor in the immediate vicinity (near the door) outside the locker room **that also regularly and frequently** enters the locker room to monitor activity inside. If the monitor(s) are inside, then it is strongly recommended that there be two monitors, both of which have been screened. (It is important that locker room monitors entering rooms are of the same gender as participants.)
- 20.4.2 Any individual meetings between a minor participant and a coach or other adult in a locker room shall require that a second responsible adult is present. A responsible, screened adult will check the condition of locker room (and shower room if accessible) before players enter and after players exit. Any damage or unacceptable conditions will immediately be reported to rink staff. Team personnel will also secure the locker room appropriately during times when the team is on the ice. For each team, the coach and/or team administrators shall be responsible for compliance with the locker room supervision requirements of this Policy.
- 20.4.2.1 No players shall be allowed access to the Locker Room unless a NCSI background screened/Safe Sport trained locker room monitor is present in the locker room.
- 20.4.2.2 If a single player is present, the Locker Room should be monitored, by at least two adults, until additional players arrive.
- 20.4.2.3 If there is only one adult present whether a coach or volunteer parent, they wait for multiple players to arrive before allowing access to the locker room.
- 20.4.2.4 The same strategies should be applied after practice/game with a monitor staying until the last player leaves, and at no time should one adult be alone in the locker room with one player, unless the player is their own child. This policy applies to all minor USA Hockey Participants up through the youth 18U level and through Girls 19U level.

20.5 Shower Rooms and Restrooms Adjoining Locker Rooms

- 20.5.1 Shower rooms and restrooms adjoining locker rooms are for player use only. Coaches, assistant coaches and team managers will not enter these rooms but will monitor them from the outside. Adults should only enter in the event of an emergency, and in those cases in multiples whenever possible.

20.6 Parents and Siblings in Locker Rooms

- 20.6.1 Except for players at the younger age groups (8U and younger), we discourage parents and siblings from entering locker rooms unless it is truly necessary, especially older siblings of the opposite gender. If a player needs assistance with his or her uniform or gear, if the player is or may be injured, or a player's disability warrants assistance then we ask that parents let the coach know beforehand that he or she will be helping the player. (Member Organizations have the discretion to determine the age groups for which parental assistance with dressing is permitted in the locker room.) We encourage parents to teach their players as young as possible how to get dressed independently. (We understand that younger players may need assistance in tying their skates. Players may seek help from a parent or guardian outside of the locker room.) In circumstances where parents are permitted in the locker room, coaches are permitted to ask that the parents leave for a short time before the game and for a short time after the game so that the coaches may address players. (This includes asking locker room monitors to step out during these types of discussion and there are at least 2 coaches remaining)

20.7 Co-Ed Teams - Locker Rooms

- 20.7.1 Many of our teams consist of both male and female players. It is important that the privacy rights of all our players are given consideration and appropriate arrangements made. The Co-Ed Locker Room policy attempts to balance the social integration and camaraderie of a team sport while providing a safe and respectful environment for all of our participants. It is not acceptable under USA Hockey's Sexual Misconduct Policy persons to be observing the opposite gender while they dress or undress. UAHA has chosen the following procedure(s) which allows us to remain in compliance with USA Hockey's Coed Locker Room Policy: 1. If only one locker room is available to the team, then the following is required:
- 20.7.1.1 Minimum Attire. All players should be required to arrive at the rink wearing their hockey base layers or shorts and t-shirts (in good condition – no holes or tears in clothing) under their street clothes. All members of the team must have this minimum attire before entering a co-ed locker room so that no player of one gender has an opportunity to view players of the opposite gender in a state of dress/undress. If a player is not wearing the required minimum attire, that player can be directed to a restroom or private area to change into his/her minimum attire before entering the locker room. (Recommended best practice in this scenario is having 2 locker room monitors in the locker room, at all times.)
- 20.7.1.2 If there is a locker room available to both genders (and both locker rooms have gender appropriate monitors,) then the following is acceptable:
- **Separate Locker Rooms.** Players of different genders change/ dress in separate, supervised locker rooms. Then approximately ten (10) to fifteen (15) minutes before each game/practice everyone is to be ready in gear in one designated locker room so the coach can address the entire team. If a player is not fully dressed by the time the coach arrives, then that player must go to a separate locker room or bathroom to finish dressing. The onus is on the players being properly dressed when the coaches begin preparing the team for the practice or game.

20.8 Trustee Responsibility – Locker Rooms

- 20.8.1 The team trustee shall be responsible for all activities in the dressing/locker rooms including any damages.

- 20.8.2 Any expense allocated to UHS by any arena management resulting from inappropriate behavior or damage to any dressing facility shall be charged to the team involved.
- 20.8.3 Any player(s) damaging dressing facility shall be subject to suspension from further participation in UHS-activities until such time as the appropriate disciplinary board can meet and determine such player(s) future participation options.
- 20.8.4 The team trustee shall be responsible for keeping the dressing room clean. The trustee should inspect the dressing facilities both before and after the game and indicate to the arena management if any damages are noted.

20.9 Cell Phones and Other Mobile Recording Devices

- 20.9.1 Cell phones and other mobile devices with recording capabilities, which includes voice recording, still cameras, and video cameras, increase the risk for some forms of abuse or misconduct. As a result, the use of mobile device's recording capabilities in the locker rooms is not permitted at any USA Hockey/UAHA sanctioned event. (It is permissible for coaches or team managers to collect and secure devices while utilizing locker rooms.)
Exception: It is acceptable to take photographs or recordings in a locker room in such unique circumstances as a victory celebration, team party, etc., where all persons in the locker room are appropriately dressed and have been advised that photographs or recordings are being taken. (Recommended Best Practice is that an Adult is the one taking the celebration photos.)

20.10 Prohibited Conduct and Reporting

- 20.10.1 UAHA prohibits all types of physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, bullying, threats, harassment and hazing, all as described in the USA Hockey Safe Sport Handbook. Participants, coaches, and other volunteers in UAHA may be subject to disciplinary action for violation of these locker room policies or for engaging in any misconduct or abuse that violates the USA Hockey Safe Sport Policies.
- 20.10.2 All sexual and child abuse violations must be reported to the US Center for Safe Sport and local law enforcement. <https://uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern/>
- 20.10.3 Reports of all other actual or suspected violations may be submitted to www.usahockey.com/makingareport

21 UHSB Prohibited Substances

21.1 Use, by Players, of Alcohol, Tobacco Products, E-cigarettes, Controlled Substances or Illegal Drugs

- 21.1.1 The use or sale, by any UHSB-registered player, of any alcohol-related product, mind, mood or physically altering substance, prescription or otherwise, (unless prescribed by a licensed physician for use during the UHSB-sanctioned activity) e-cigarettes or tobacco related product is strictly prohibited at all times.
- 21.1.2 Refer to USA Hockey Annual Guide for further information.

21.2 Use, by Coaches, Trustees or Other Assigned Responsible Adults, of Alcohol-related Products

- 21.2.1 Use of alcohol-related, controlled substances, illegal drugs products by coaches, trustees, volunteers or others during UHSB sanctioned events is prohibited.
- 21.2.2 All adults involved with a UHSB team shall refrain from use of alcohol-related products prior to, during or immediately after team events. This includes out of state team travel.
- 21.2.3 All trustees are responsible for understanding and enforcing safe practices and USAH alcohol use policy statements with team leadership.

22 UHSB First Aid Guidelines

22.1 First Aid

- 22.1.1 Each Coach and trustee should become familiar with basic first aid techniques and concepts. Trustees and coaches are responsible for the health, safety and welfare of the minors in their charge during practices, team events and games where injury can occur.
- 22.1.2 It is recommended that each head coach always have a first aid kit in his/her possession, during games and practices, regardless of the supplies available on the premises. For information concerning preparation of such first aid kit please review the “USA Hockey Catastrophic Excess Accident Liability Coverage Insurance Handbook” at USAHockey.com.
- 22.1.3 The trustee is responsible for the health, safety and welfare of the minor players while under his/her supervision as well as the other participants on other teams. The trustee is to make all determinations regarding the physical wellbeing of his/her charges. The trustee is to yield this authority only to a licensed physician, EMT or parent/guardian. If there is doubt as to the competency or authority of any person claiming to be a licensed physician or EMT, the trustee shall demand proof of competency prior to releasing an injured player to that person’s care.
- 22.1.4 In the absence of the trustee the head coach is to fulfill the duties and be bound by the obligations of UHSB First Aid Section

22.2 Parental Authority

- 22.2.1 Unless it is obvious that a parent/guardian is incapacitated or not under control, the head coach or trustee shall yield authority for the safety, health or welfare of minors under his/her supervision to the parent or guardian of an injured player if that parent or guardian is known to him/her or produces evidence that he/she is truly the parent or guardian. Yielding of such authority should be conspicuous, open and public, with witnesses available.

23 UHSB Injured Participant

23.1 Injured Players

- 23.1.1 The head coach or the trustee of a team with which a player is participating at the time of an injury should inquire with the rink/venue as to their injury reporting policies prior to leaving the venue.

23.2 Trustee's Responsibility

- 23.2.1 It shall be the responsibility of the trustee of the injured player, or the Head Coach in the absence of the trustee, to control the events on the ice while the injured player is being attended. The trustee of the team on which the injured player is participating at the time of injury shall subordinate this authority only to an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), licensed physician or parent of the injured player. If there is doubt as to whether a person is an EMT, or licensed physician ask to see some identification. If in doubt, do not take his/her word for it.

23.3 Moving Injured Players

- 23.3.1 Under no circumstances shall an injured player be moved from the ice unless the trustee in charge, an EMT, a licensed physician or the parent of the injured player determines the player can be moved without further injury or must be moved to prevent further injury or to transport the injured player to a hospital for emergency care.
- 23.3.2 Completing the game shall not be an issue in determining whether to remove a player from the playing area. If the game is delayed due to injury for more than 10 minutes, the game shall be completed, and curfew as required. If the game is delayed for more than 20 minutes the game shall be called and rescheduled where possible. If a reschedule is not possible, the team leading at the time of the cancellation shall be declared the winner. If the teams are tied both teams will be awarded one (1) point and the game recorded as a tie game. In all cases the health, safety and welfare of the injured player shall take priority.

23.4 Bleeding

- 23.4.1 In all cases where blood is evident on an injured player, if that player is ambulatory and able to leave the ice, he/she shall do so immediately and may not return to the ice area until the injury has been properly treated, and the blood flow stopped and properly covered per USA Hockey guidelines. If the player should be re-injured and blood should flow again, he/she shall be immediately removed from the ice and shall not be allowed to return for the duration of the game.
- 23.4.2 Coaches and trustees shall use reasonable judgment in permitting their players to participate on the ice when an injured player is bleeding, and in collaboration with referees or other game officials.
- 23.4.3 In all cases where blood is evident and copious on uniforms and/or equipment, a player must change that uniform or equipment prior to reentering the ice surface.
- 23.4.4 A jersey or other equipment covered in blood may be changed and the player allowed to return to the ice. Referees must allow a number change in this case and may not penalize the player or the team for adhering to this policy.

24 UHSB Team & Player Pictures and Video

24.1 Team Pictures

- 24.1.1 UHSB may take team and player pictures and video from time to time for its advertising purposes. Players who show gang signs or other hand or facial gestures of a detrimental nature shall be automatically suspended for the next varsity and JV game of that team.
- 24.1.2 The offending player(s) shall also be required to appear before the UHSB disciplinary committee with the possibility of further sanctions.
- 24.1.3 Upon Player, Coach, or Volunteer Registration, the participant is agreeing to allow UHSB to use their picture, video or likeness for UHSB promotional, celebratory, and media purposes.
- 24.1.4 Parents, Guardians or adult participants may request that their player or self be omitted from UHSB media use by UHSB. In these instances, UHSB will make reasonable effort to avoid the use of the participants image or likeness. It may not be reasonable to review, clip or alter game videos, team photos or similar assets due to time, ownership and costs of such editing.

Team Organization and Declaration

25 UHSB Team Declarations

- 25.1.1 All teams, including new teams, shall be declared by the sitting trustee, at the July Board of Trustee meeting.
- 25.1.2 Team composition, team leadership credentials and conduct and standing of all prospective and ongoing team participants shall be considered.
- 25.1.3 Eligible teams shall be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees at the July Board of Trustees meeting.

25.2 Prospective Trustee Role in Team Declaration and Formation

- 25.2.1 UHSB team must meet the minimum skater and goalie thresholds established by UHSB. Minimum thresholds support; long-term team presence in a geographic area, minimize disruption caused by player re-assignments due to frequent team boundary alterations and keep participation affordable. Maximum roster thresholds are established by USA Hockey and are published in the USA Hockey Annual Guide.
- 25.2.2 The current or prospective team trustee is responsible for knowing and abiding by the team boundaries as established by the UHSB board of trustees prior to and during all seasons.
- 25.2.3 The current or prospective team trustee is responsible for knowing and abiding by all eligibility rules affecting all UHSB participants.
- 25.2.4 The current or prospective team trustee shall ascertain parent commitments for player participation prior to the UHSB team declaration deadline but may not engage in conduct that could be considered recruitment of players outside of the team boundaries as established for the upcoming season.
- 25.2.5 A player who is rostered on an existing UHSB team, shall not be included in the team count of a prospective team except when ALL the following conditions are fulfilled:
 - the new UHSB team boundaries have been approved by a majority vote of the UHSB Board of Trustees and
 - the players and parents of the original boundary team have been notified of the change of boundaries and
 - the players and parents of the original boundary team have been provided the opportunity to stay with the player's original boundary team or opt to move to the new boundary team and
 - the players and parents opting to move to the new boundary team understand that the move to the new boundary team is permanent and they will not have the option to change back to their original boundary team and
 - the player and parent understand that should the new boundary team dissolve, at any time, players will be re-assigned to the UHSB program, by UHSB, that best allows continued participation for the most participants, results in the least disruption to the league and team rankings and strives to keep players in the nearest geographic area.

- The player and parent understand that in a situation where a boundary dissolves post-season, the new boundaries may or may not reflect the former boundaries and that the player will be re-assigned to a team by UHSB.
- 25.2.6 The trustees whose program would be affected by boundary changes shall be involved in boundary change discussions. The VP of the Affiliated or Independent sections are responsible for leading and including the respected trustees in boundary discussion for new programs and new boundaries
- 25.2.7 At no time does a trustee retain the authority to deny the rostering of players on their team after the Board of Trustees has adopted new team boundaries.
- 25.2.8 A UHSB program that previously existed and desires to reform the program/team shall identify a trustee candidate who shall abide by the new/prospective team declaration and formation policies herein.
- 25.2.9 UHSB reserves the right to deny team formation due to lack of resources to support a new team, history of conduct by team leadership including criminal prosecution or probation or suspension from USA Hockey or previous conduct that has placed UHSB or USA Hockey in a poor light.

26 UHSB Team Formation

26.1 Team Formation

- 26.1.1 UHSB programs may declare multiple teams in accordance with the policies herein.

26.2 Dual Rostering

- 26.2.1 A UHSB program may not dual roster players on two varsity division teams.¹
- 26.2.1.1 Maximum of 2 JV teams to be declared by a single program.
- 26.2.2 A UHSB program may not dual roster players on two JV division teams.²
- 26.2.3 A UHSB program may dual roster up to 10 UHSB eligible skaters while complying with the following conditions:
- “A skater or goalie competing in the UHSB Nationally Bound Tournament Varsity division, may also roster on up to one (1) JV team, in the same season, in the same UHSB program as a skater. A goalie is limited to appear on one UHSB varsity roster as a goalie/skater during the season. All other eligibility and rostering policies remain in effect.
 - A skater or goalie on a team competing in the non-NBT varsity division may also roster on a JV-1 **or** JV-2 team the same season but may not roster on two JV teams in the same season. A skater or goalie is limited to being on one UHSB JV roster during a season. All other eligibility and rostering policies remain in effect
 - A goalie who also rosters as a skater (goalie/skater), on any UHSB team shall count as one of the 10 dual-rostered players for that program.
 - No UHSB player or goalie shall roster on more than one UHSB program roster in the same season except when UHSB votes, by majority, to allow two JV teams, from different UHSB programs, to combine for the purpose of team building for a single season. Combining JV teams shall not be approved in lieu of the team trustee first undertaking team building efforts to meet minimum roster thresholds.

26.3 UHSB JV Division

- 26.3.1 The Junior Varsity Division will consist of both affiliated and independent teams.
- 26.3.1.1 UHSB Program trustees may declare a Junior Varsity team without having a Varsity team.
- 26.3.1.2 JV teams will be allowed to combine for the season based on board approval. Any two (2) teams wishing to combine for the season must discuss that intent with their division Vice President prior to declaring their intent at the July meeting of the UHSB Board of Trustees.
- 26.3.2 Each Utah High School Hockey programs may field **up to two Junior Varsity teams**. During the annual declaration meeting, each JV team must also identify its **scheduling designation** as either **JV1** or **JV2**.
- 26.3.3 Trustees in conjunction with team coaching staff are responsible for designating whether their program will field a **JV1 Competitive team** and or a **JV2 Developmental team** based on the overall experience level, readiness, and developmental needs of their athletes.
- 26.3.3.1 **JV1 – Competitive** is intended for players who have established hockey experience and are prepared for a faster pace of play. These teams typically include athletes who demonstrate stronger skating ability, game awareness, and consistency in competitive environments.
- 26.3.3.2 **JV2 – Developmental** is designed to support athletes who are newer to the sport or still build foundational skills. Developmental teams should have a **majority of players with limited hockey experience**, including those who are still learning core skating, positioning, and game flow concepts. The focus of JV2 is growth, confidence, and safe, meaningful participation.
- 26.3.3.3 Other JV groupings accommodate entry level players and teams with a majority vote approval of the Board of Trustees, when resources can accommodate an additional division, and in accordance with UAHA policy.
- 26.3.3.4 **Scheduling of Matchups:** When a team designates itself as JV1 or JV2, it remains fully part of the overall JV division. The designation does not separate teams into different leagues; rather, it serves as guidance to help the Scheduler create the highest number of equitable matchups throughout the season. While the scheduling process prioritizes pairing teams with similar designations, JV1 and JV2 teams should expect to face one another during regular season play.

¹ Review Girls League section for dual rostering criteria for the Girls League participants. See 26.14.

² Review Girls League section for dual rostering criteria for the Girls League participants. See 26.14.

26.4 JV Eligibility Table

26.4.1 This table serves as a quick reference guide for JV1 eligibility.

	Grade – JV1 Eligible				
	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
House/Rec	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Travel	N	Y	Y	N	N
TierII (AA)	N	Y	N	N	N
TierII AA National Championship Tournament participation	N	Y	N	N	N
TierI (AAA)	N	Y	N	N	N
TierI (AAA) National Championship participation	N	N	N	N	N
Billet Players	N	N	N	N	N
Jr's Players	N	N	N	N	N

26.4.2 This table serves as a quick reference guide for JV2 eligibility.

	Grade – JV2 Eligible				
	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
House/Rec	N	Y		N	N
Travel	N	N	N	N	N
TierII (A)	N	N	N	N	N
TierII AA National Championship participation	N	N	N	N	N
TierI (AAA)	N	N	N	N	N
TierI (AAA) National Championship participation	N	N	N	N	N
Billet Players	N	N	N	N	N
Jr's Players	N	N	N	N	N

26.5 JV Eligibility Requirements

- 26.5.1 To maintain fairness, competitive balance, and compliance with league and state guidelines, each skater may be rostered on **one** JV team.³
- 26.5.2 Skaters eligible for dual rostering may only dual roster on one varsity team and one JV team.⁴
- 26.5.3 9th Grade Tier Eligibility for JV Play
- 26.5.3.1 9th grade tier players who have played at a National Championship tournament are ineligible JV2 Play.
- 26.5.3.2 9th grade tier players are ineligible for JV2 teams
- 26.5.4 If a player's eligibility comes into question at any point, the **Registrar and Eligibility Committee** will conduct a full review to verify the player's status. This ensures all decisions are consistent, transparent, and aligned with league and USA Hockey requirements
- 26.5.4.1 All other eligibility requirements as defined in the UHS bylaws and P&Ps apply.
- 26.5.5 JV Rostering Limitations:
- 26.5.5.1 A UHS program may field two JV teams but may not roster the same player on more than one JV team.
- 26.5.5.2 Only 10 players per program can be dual rostered on one JV and one Varsity team in the same season.
- Dual roster submissions are declared for the season; however, If the team requires a change to their dual rostered listing as a result of an injury or player progression prior to December 20th, the trustee will notify the UHS registrar and submit the change no later than 72 hours prior to game play.
- 26.5.5.3 JV goalies are subject to UHS goalie rostering requirements (see goalie substitution language and rostering guidance, 28.1)
- 26.5.5.4 A **single roster cannot be used to form multiple teams**. Each team must have its own independent, complete, and eligible roster.

26.5.6 JV COED Double Rostering Visual Guide

Skater Dual Rostering Scenarios	NBT Coed	Non-NBT Coed	JV1 Coed	JV2 Coed
Option 1	•		•	
Option 2	•			•
Option 3		•	•	
Option 4		•		•
See Girls Visual Guide, paragraph 26.14				

³ Review Girls League section for dual rostering criteria for the Girls League participants. See 26.14.

⁴ Review Girls League section for dual rostering criteria for the Girls League participants. See 26.14.

26.6 JV Player Advancement

- 26.6.1 In line with the USA Hockey Athlete Development Model (ADM), some JV players may need to advance to the **Varsity** roster during the season. Advancement can occur for several reasons, all of which help ensure players are placed at the level that best matches their skill, growth, and eligibility status.
- 26.6.2 The head coach and trustee shall consider the following factors when assessing JV player movement:
- 26.6.2.1 **Performance warrants advancement** — A player demonstrates the skill, consistency, and competitiveness required for Varsity play.
 - 26.6.2.2 **The player expresses a desire to compete at a higher level** — When an athlete is ready and motivated to take on Varsity responsibilities.
 - 26.6.2.3 **The player has earned too many points to remain JV-eligible** — Once a player exceeds the JV point threshold, they must be moved to Varsity to remain compliant with league rules.
- 26.6.3 When a player earns advancement, the following procedure must be followed:
- 26.6.3.1 the roster must be updated formally and accurately with an email to registrar@utahhighschoolhockey.com requesting the change.
 - 26.6.3.2 The player is not eligible to participate in a game, on their newly rostered team, until the player appears on the new team's USA Hockey Approved 1-T roster.
 - 26.6.3.3 The trustee is responsible for initiating the roster changes.
 - 26.6.3.4 The head coach is responsible for assuring the player is on the approved USAH 1-T roster prior to the player participating on any UHSB team.
 - 26.6.3.5 A player cannot remain rostered on both JV2 and JV1.
 - 26.6.3.6 Once a player advances, they must be removed from the JV2 roster and added to the JV1 roster.
 - 26.6.3.7 Players may not be called up on an ad-hoc or temporary basis. All movement must follow the UHSB policies and procedures for roster changes.
 - 26.6.3.8 The JV1 and JV 2 rosters changes must be approved and final no later than the date determined by the UHSB Registrar and prior to the date determined by the UAHA Board of Directors.
- 26.6.4 JV Advancement to *NBT*
- 26.6.4.1 A JV player—whether from JV1 or JV2—**may advance to an NBT team**
 - 26.6.4.2 If the player cannot meet the **minimum five-regular-season-game requirement** for the National Tournament, they will not be allowed to participate in the UHSB playoffs or the National Championship tournament.
 - 26.6.4.3 Trustees should ensure that any player being considered for advancement is on track to meet this requirement before initiating roster changes.
 - 26.6.4.4 Roster changes from JV to Varsity that will result in a player falling short of meeting the minimum 5-game requirement, for participating in the UHSB playoffs tournament, shall be clearly communicated to the player and the parent/guardian as soon as reasonable, preferably in advance of requesting the roster change.

26.7 UHSB Varsity Division

- 26.7.1 All Varsity teams will declare an intent to compete in either the UHSB Nationally Bound Tournament (NBT) Varsity division or the UHSB non-NBT Varsity division by the deadline determined by the UHSB Board of Trustees but no later than the deadline published by UAHA or USA Hockey whichever is earliest.
 - 26.7.1.1 Varsity division placement will be governed by eligibility criteria established by the UHSB Board of Trustees.
 - 26.7.1.2 A UHSB program may field up to two Varsity teams.
 - 26.7.1.3 A UHSB program may declare one varsity team in each of the varsity divisions offered.
 - 26.7.1.4 A varsity team may compete in only one UHSB division during a season.

26.8 USA Hockey High School National Tournament Designation

- 26.8.1 For purposes of the National Bound Tournament, the *UHSB* teams will be *declared* as 1A. The 1A division requires minimum game length and ice make criteria for all state high school playoff tournaments. In Utah, the high school state playoffs determine the state champion and the candidate to represent Utah at the USA Hockey High School National Championships Tournament.
 - 26.8.1.1 The USA Hockey High School Championships National Committee reserves the right to change the division of play for any team participating in the NBT Championships.
- 26.8.2 The UHSB Executive Committee in consultation with the UHSB state champion team head coach and trustee may elect to declare a higher designation division entry for the Utah High School Hockey Champion in the USA Hockey High School National Championships Tournament, if the opportunity is available and appropriate.
- 26.8.3 The UHSB Executive Committee may consult with the UHSB Championship team trustee and head coach for the purpose of electing a higher division of play for the USA Hockey national championships tournament but is not required to consult the championship team leadership.

- 26.8.4 The UHSB Scheduler shall craft a UHSB player tournament schedule in accordance with the USAH NBT guidelines for minimum game length, ice makes and other criteria based on the USAH national tournament championships guidebook.

26.9 NBT Declaration and Reclassification

- 26.9.1 The scheduling process for NBT teams is intentionally structured to ensure they meet USA Hockey's standards for game counts, opponent classifications, and competitive criteria. Allowing reclassification may compromise this alignment and jeopardize a team's ability to qualify for the National Tournament; therefore
- 26.9.1.1 NBT teams, once declared, must compete under the declaration for the full season and are not eligible to reassign as non-NBT.
- 26.9.1.2 UHSB teams must declare their intent to participate in the UHSB regular season as a NBT team by the deadline established by USA Hockey National Championship Tournament Committee or the Utah Amateur Hockey Association, whichever date is earlier.
- 26.9.1.3 The UHSB Registrar will build a NBT Varsity division roster for each UHSB team that has declared their intent to compete for the UHSB state title and represent Utah at the USA Hockey High School National Championships Tournament.
- 26.9.2 UHSB NBT teams must declare NBT status at the UHSB July Trustee meeting.
- 26.9.3 NBT teams may not reclassify after the July declaration, as their schedules are built with specific attention to the requirements needed to maintain National Tournament eligibility.

26.10 Rostering requirements/Team formation

- 26.10.1.1 Each team must have a minimum of registered 15 skaters and one goalie to be eligible to form a team.
- 26.10.1.2 Skaters eligible for dual rostering may only dual roster on one varsity team and one JV team but may not dual roster on two Varsity teams, except for Girls League participants whose dual rostering policies are governed in section 26.14.
- 26.10.1.3 Dual roster submissions are declared for the season; however, If the team requires a change to their dual rostered listing as a result of an injury or player progression prior to December 20th, the trustee will notify the UHSB registrar and submit the change no later than 72 hours prior to game play.
- 26.10.1.4 NBT goalies are subject to UHSB goalie rostering requirements (see goalie substitution language and rostering guidance paragraph 28).

26.11 Non-NBT Team Formation

- 26.11.1 Each Utah High School Hockey (UHSB) program is permitted to field one Non-National Bound Tournament (Non-NBT) team.
- 26.11.1.1 Each team must have a minimum of registered 15 skaters and one goalie to be eligible to form a team.

26.12 Non-NBT Rostering requirements

- 26.12.1 Skaters eligible for dual rostering may only dual roster on one varsity team and one JV team but may not dual roster on two Varsity teams (except for Girls League participants whose dual rostering policies are governed in section 26.14):

- 26.12.1.1 Only 10 players per program can be dual rostered on one JV and one Varsity team in the same season.
- 26.12.1.2 Dual rostered skaters must be identified at the beginning of the season and submitted to the registrar.
- 26.12.1.3 Dual roster submissions are declared for the season; however, If the team requires a change to their dual rostered listing as a result of an injury or player progression prior to December 20th, the trustee will notify the UHSB registrar and submit the change no later than 72 hours prior to game play.
- 26.12.1.4 Non-NBT goalies are subject to UHSB goalie rostering requirements (see goalie substitution language and rostering guidance paragraph 28.)

26.13 NBT & Non-NBT Varsity Team Eligibility Table

26.13.1 This table serves as a quick reference guide for NBT and Non-NBT Varsity eligibility.

	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
House/Rec	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Travel	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
TierII (AA)	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
TierII AA Championship participation	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
TierI (AAA)	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tier1 (AAA) National Championship participation	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Billet Players	N	N	N	N	N
Jr's Players ⁵	N	N	N	N	N

⁵ Players registered with a juniors program or equivalent are not eligible in the same season; players may regain eligibility in a subsequent season per UHSB policies.

26.14 Girls League Divisions

26.14.1 UHSB may authorize a Girls League Division.

26.14.1.1 Girls team rosters will have USA Hockey classification as High School/Girls Division

26.14.1.2 Each team must have a minimum of 15 skaters and one goalie to be eligible to form a team.

26.14.2 The Girls League Division may host teams as follows:

26.14.2.1 Varsity Division

26.14.2.2 Jr Varsity Division as allowed in accordance with UABA policies and procedures.

- Girls' Junior Varsity hockey will utilize a cross-ice format to support the developmental stage of the Girls' division.
- The cross-ice format allows Girls JV division players to be combined into multiple teams during cross-ice competitions. This strategy provides the greatest amount of ice time and potential for puck touches for the entry level player thus achieving the goal of maximum skill development and enjoyment for the player. Coaches and trustees will work cooperatively to create equitably skilled player groupings
- The cross-ice competitive play format, for the Girls JV division, will remain in place until six UHSB Girls' programs are fielded, at which point the UHSB Girls trustees may implement a full-ice competitive play format for the Girls' JV division.

26.15 Girls League Eligible participants

26.15.1 Eligible participants include Girls who fulfill the player participant requirements herein.

26.15.2 Girls League Team Declarations

26.15.2.1 Girls League teams shall be declared at the July Board of Trustee Meeting. Such declarations shall comply with all requirements required of UHSB team declarations and noted herein.

26.16 Girls League Team Trustee Appointment and Responsibilities

26.16.1 Trustees for Girls teams shall be elected in the same manner as coed team Trustees and shall be bound by the same rules, regulations and expectations of the coed Trustees and set forth herein.

26.16.1.1 The exceptions granted to Girls League participants and teams are those indicated in these policies and procedures and are provided for the purpose of facilitating the growth and stability of the UHSB Girls League.

26.17 Girls League Team Formation

26.17.1 Girls League teams shall be formed using the minimum player requirements as set forth herein.

26.17.2 Expansion of Girls teams will be granted after Board of Trustee review of demand; available resources are identified; and resources are allocated to support Girls League teams. All team expansions are subject to a majority vote of the board of Trustees.

26.17.3 Girls will remain eligible to participate in Utah High School Hockey coed programs until six independent Girls' programs have been formally organized. Once six programs have been established, Utah High School Hockey will perform an assessment of co-ed and Girls rostering; in order to determine whether or not dual rostering rules need to be addressed.

- Changes to dual rostering policy affecting female skaters shall be communicated to all UHSB registrants between the end of the regular season and prior to team declarations for the following season and must be in compliance with USA Hockey and UAHA rostering policies.

26.18 Girls League Roster

26.18.1 Girls may roster on coed and Girls League teams, in the same season. Refer to the roster guidelines below:

26.18.1.1 Until UHSB can support six (6) Girls teams at which time dual rostering on a coed UHSB team and Girls team will be prohibited.

26.18.1.2 All Girls may join up to two UHSB teams for participation in the same season; players may not participate in two coed programs or two Girls programs at same time. See 26.20.

26.18.1.3 Girls playing Tier 1, Tier II and Girls Travel may participate in the UHSB Girls League but are subject to roster limitations noted herein.

26.18.1.4 25-mile radius exception: when UHSB reaches six (6) teams, Girls who live 25 miles or more from a Girls program will be allowed to roster on a Girls program and a Coed UHSB program in the same season.

26.19 Girls Eligibility Tables

These tables serve as a quick reference guide for Girls JV and Varsity Eligibility

	Grade - JV Eligible					Grade - V Eligible				
	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
House/Rec	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Travel	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
TierII (AA)	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
TierI (AAA)	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Billet Players	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Jrs ⁶ Players	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

26.20 Girls Double Rostering Visual Guide:

26.20.1 This table serves as a quick reference guide for Girls dual rostering scenarios.

Skater Dual Rostering Scenarios	NBT Coed	Non-NBT Coed	JV1 Coed	JV2 Coed	Girls Varsity	Girls JV
Option 1		•			•	
Option 2			•		•	
Option 3				•	•	
Option 4		•				•
Option 5	•					•
Option 6					•	•
Option 7	•				•	
Option 8		•			•	
Must meet JV eligibility requirements for any double rostering scenario.						

27 UHSB Player Equipment & Uniforms

27.1 Player Equipment

- 27.1.1 All players will wear and use protective equipment and team gear in accordance with USA Hockey rules and regulations for youth recreation players.
- 27.1.2 Alterations to player equipment is prohibited except as explicitly allowed in the USA Hockey Annual Guide and playing rules.
- 27.1.3 Player and goaltender equipment may not be removed while on the ice surface, in the Penalty Box or on the playing bench excepted as allowed in the USA Hockey playing rules where a repair is needed, treatment for an injury, adjustment of equipment, administration of medication.
- 27.1.4 Players removing equipment for the above-mentioned reasons must replace the equipment immediately upon conclusion of the action. Game officials have the authority to issue penalties for failure to follow equipment regulation guidelines.

27.2 Player Game Jerseys

27.2.1 A. Jersey Colors

- 27.2.1.1 Uniforms may be any color which does not trivialize or make a travesty of the game.
- 27.2.1.2 School colors are recommended where possible.
- 27.2.1.3 In cases where current team colors are deceptively similar to those of other teams, the team noted as the “visiting” team or “guest” team on the schedule will be responsible for providing jerseys which are not deceptively similar to those worn by the team designated as the “home” team. Failure to do so may result in game forfeiture by the “guest” team.
- 27.2.1.4 USA Hockey playing rules and procedures for changing jerseys shall be in force.

27.2.2 Authorized Markings

- 27.2.2.1 Except for manufacturer’s labels, teams shall be authorized to place only the following markings on jerseys:
 - a. Team logo and/or team name (front only).
 - b. Large numbers (any style, back of jersey only). The number of numbers may not exceed two (2) and except for 00 no number may begin with a 0.
 - c. Small numbers not to exceed 4” - either or both sleeves or front of jersey.
 - d. Player last names, (one single initial may be added if players have the same last name), (back of jersey only) (above or below numbers). (nicknames, etc., are not authorized)
 - e. Designation of a “C” for one team captain per team and “A” for two team assistant captains per team. (letters not to exceed 4” and to be over the left breast).
 - f. American flag.

27.2.3 Advertising

- 27.2.3.1 Except for manufacturer's labels, no advertising of any kind shall be authorized on any team game jersey or other game equipment

28 Substitute Goaltender Policy

28.1 Substitute Goalie Authority and Limitations

- 28.1.1 **Authority** -Each year UHSB will vote to administer a Goaltender substitute process.
- 28.1.2 **Limitations** - The UHSB substitute goaltender process is available for single team game assignments and unforeseen circumstances resulting in unavailability of the team goaltender. Each UHSB team is required to start the season with at least one goaltender whose is available to serve in the goaltender position for all regular season and playoff games.
 - 28.1.2.1 In addition to limiting the use of a substitute goalie for the purposes noted herein **NBT** division teams shall utilize their rostered goaltender(s) for at least 5 games or no less than approximately 30% of regular season games. Failure to do so may result in ineligibility for playoffs.
 - 28.1.2.2 In addition to limiting the use of a substitute goalie for the purposes noted herein **Non-NBT and JV** division teams shall utilize their rostered goaltender(s) for at least 60% or regular season games. Failure to do so may result in ineligibility for playoffs.
- 28.1.3 **Intent** - The UHSB Goaltender substitution process is intended for occasional or emergency use to meet an unforeseen need. The Goaltender substitute process is not to be used to fill repeated goaltender vacancies caused by unavailability of a goaltender due to their Travel/Tier team obligations or to improve team odds of winning a game. Teams facing a season long goaltender vacancy are expected to develop goaltenders from among their registered players to maintain the team's minimum roster thresholds as outlined in the UAHA minimum roster size policy. Trustees whose team is facing a goaltender deficit shall be proactive in accessing resources to develop a goaltender from among the rostered players, in their program. UHSB is not responsible for recruiting players for individual teams including the goaltender position.

28.2 Requesting a Substitute Goalie*

- 28.2.1 All requests for a substitute goalie shall be submitted to the UHSB Executive Director or their designee at least 24 hours prior to game time. *Refer to the UHSB playoff rules regarding use of substitute goalie during the UHSB state championship playoff tournaments.
- 28.2.2 Except as described herein, a team may not use a goalie that is not on their approved USA Hockey 1-T Roster as that would be USA Hockey a roster violation and subject to sanctions per USA Hockey and UAHA regulations.
- 28.2.3 UHSB teams may choose to start or continue a sanctioned game using six skaters following USA Hockey rules for game play with 6-men. Refer to USA Hockey Official Rules #201 for details.

28.3 Substitute Goaltender Administrator

- 28.3.1 The UHSB Executive Director may assume the duties and responsibilities of the administering the Substitute Goaltender process or appoint an administrator to assist with Goaltender Substitution management. Goaltender Administrator candidates will be required to disclose existing or potential Conflicts of Interest. A current trustee may serve in the role of Goaltender Administrator with full Board of Trustee approval.
- 28.3.2 The UHSB Board of Trustees may consider a reasonable compensation package for the Goaltender Administrator but is not required to compensate this position. Any such compensation shall be discussed and voted upon by the full Board of Trustees. Should the Executive Director choose to administer the goaltender substitute process, such arrangement will not include additional compensation.
- 28.3.2.1 The Goaltender Administrator serves in the position at the pleasure of the board.
- 28.3.2.2 The Goaltender Administrator is bound by the rules and regulations of USA Hockey, UAHA and UHSB regarding use of UHSB substitute goaltenders.
- 28.3.2.3 The Goaltender Administrator is answerable to the UHSB Executive Director and UHSB Executive Committee.

28.4 Requesting a Goaltender –

- 28.4.1 A trustee may request a goaltender for a single game. A head coach may request a goalie if the trustee is incapacitated or unavailable. A request submitted by a parent or volunteer will not be processed.
- 28.4.1.1 Goaltender requests shall be submitted at least 24 hours in advance of the game where the goaltender is needed.
- 28.4.1.2 Goaltender requests shall be submitted by the team trustee via the UHSB website goaltender request portal located on the Trustee-Only webpage or via email to the UHSB Executive Director.

28.5 Assigning a Skill Appropriate Goaltender

- 28.5.1 The Executive Director or Goaltender Administrator shall utilize the Goaltender 1-T roster to identify goalies that are eligible to be assigned to a UHSB team for a single game.
- 28.5.1.1 Goalies interested in being called-up as a substitute goalie shall register as a substitute goalie using the UHSB Goalie Pool registration. This “pool” of goalies shall be the sole source of goalies eligible to participate as a substitute for another team.
- 28.5.2 Prior to the start of the season, the Goaltender Administrator shall work with other trustees to verify the skill level of each Goaltender participant and organize the goaltenders into three to five skill categories related to their division of play and/or skill/experience:
- Nationally Bound skilled
 - Varsity skilled
 - Mid to entry level Varsity skilled
 - JV, non-tier level skilled
 - JV, beginner skilled

28.6 Blind Pool Goalie Assignment

- 28.6.1 The Goaltender Administrator shall organize the skill-based lists in order of registration date. Goaltenders will be pre-assigned to a list where the division matches the estimated skill of the goaltender.
- 28.6.2 The Executive Director will work with the Goaltender Administrator, if utilized, upon receipt of a request for a substitute goaltender. The Division of the game will be noted to assist with placement of a skill appropriate substitute goaltender.
- 28.6.3 The Goaltender Administrator, if utilized, will inform the Executive Director of the next goaltender on the list in the division that matches the skill/division goaltender roster.
- 28.6.4 The Executive Director and the Goaltender Administrator will refrain from assigning a goalie based on any other criteria. The intent of the Blind Pool Assignment is to assign the next goaltender on the list.
 - 28.6.4.1 A goaltender may decline the game. The goalie declining the assignment will go to the bottom of the availability list. This is intended to reduce the practice of the goaltender gaming the system by declining offers until their preferred game is available.
 - 28.6.4.2 The Goaltender Administer, if utilized, informs the Executive Director of the next goaltender on the list and offers the game. This same pattern will be followed until a goalie is located and confirmed to fill the request.
 - 28.6.4.3 Should there be no goalie available in the division, the Goaltender Administrator may go to the next lower level to provide a goaltender name to the Executive Director and extend an offer.
- 28.6.5 At no time should the Executive Director or Goalie Administrator assign a goalie two divisions away from the division of the team that is requesting the goalie. Rather, the team should consider dressing one of their skaters as a goaltender or play with six men.

28.7 Requests within 24-Hours

- 28.7.1 Requests submitted with less than a 24-hour's notice may not be filled. In these cases, the team should be prepared to play with 6 men per USA Hockey rules. Forfeiture rules apply.

28.8 Unresponsive Executive Director or Goaltender Administrator

- 28.8.1 Should the ED or Goaltender Administrator not respond to a request, and the trustee is within 8 hours of the game, the trustee should reach out to the UHSB VP of Affiliated who will first use the guidance herein. If efforts fail to locate a goaltender using the policies herein the team should be prepared to play with 6 men per USA Hockey rules.

28.9 Fees

- 28.9.1 There shall be no additional fee assessed to Goaltenders called upon, per UHSB policy, to serve as a substitute goalie.

28.10 Back Up Goalie, Bench Goalie

- 28.10.1 A substitute Goaltender may not be used as a back-up goalie for a game where another team goaltender is available, or lesser skilled team goaltender is available, dressed or participating. A substitute Goaltender may not be used as an extra bench goalie.

28.11 UHSB Boundary Team Eligibility

- 28.11.1 Substitute Goaltenders may participate on any UHSB team as assigned per UHSB policies and utilizing the substitute process herein. Goaltender participation on a team that is not one's assigned and rostered team and outside of this policy is subject to sanctions to the goalie, trustees, and coaches.

28.12 Goaltenders & Nationally Bound Teams

- 28.12.1 Refer to the USA Hockey National Tournament Championships Guidebook for qualifying games and roster eligibility for NBT and State Playoffs.

28.13 Playoff Goalie Use

- 28.13.1 For the UHSB state playoffs, the substitute goaltender process may be defined and published in a supplemental UHSB Playoff Rules document and/or herein.

Regular Season Play

29 Regular Season Game Rules

29.1 Warm-up

- 29.1.1 Each team shall be allowed a three (3) minute coincidental warm-up prior to each game. Warm-ups shall not be extended to allow late goaltenders a warm-up.

29.2 Game Forfeiture

- 29.2.1 Each team must have enough players on the ice to begin the game as per USA Hockey rules or the game will be forfeited to the opposing team.
- 29.2.2 Upon determining a game is forfeited the referees and linesman shall immediately leave the ice and not attempt to officiate a non-sanctioned game. [Revised May 2021]. USAH playing rules for a forfeiture shall be in effect.
- 29.2.3 If, at the start of the game, a certified coach is not available on the bench, the team without the coach shall forfeit the game. If neither team has a certified coach on the bench at game time, the teams will take a 0-0 loss.
- 29.2.4 The teams may remain on the ice and conduct a practice if, and only if, there is at least one USAH certified coach present, and he/she runs the practice for both teams. If no certified coach is present, both teams must immediately exit the ice and may not return.
 - 29.2.4.1 The non-forfeiting team may use the ice upon which the game was to be played in the event the forfeiting team is not present and a certified USAH coach is available to oversee play or practice.
- 29.2.5 A team forfeiting a game will pay for the game in full including ice, referees and scorekeeper and will be subject to the following.
 - 29.2.5.1 The score for a forfeited game will be entered as 10 for the non-forfeiting team and 0 for the forfeiting team.
 - 29.2.5.2 If a varsity team forfeits two or more games in a season the team will pay a fine of \$400.00.
 - 29.2.5.3 If a varsity team forfeits two or more games in a season, the team will no longer be eligible for playoffs.
 - 29.2.5.4 If a JV team forfeits two or more games in a season, the team will pay the fine for forfeiting the games plus a \$250.00 fine for every subsequent game left on the team schedule
 - 29.2.5.5 Teams forfeiting games may be considered by the UHSB board of trustees for removal from the league for the remainder of the season and risk not being approved the subsequent season.

29.3 Period Length

- 29.3.1 NBT Varsity division game periods shall be no less than that required in the USA Hockey NBT Annual Guide with the third period being shortened to end the game within the time allocated for the game per the UHSB ice contract with the venue and the time confirmed by the UHSB scheduler.

- 29.3.2 UHSB Non-NBT Varsity division game periods shall be no more than *three*, 16-minute, stop-time periods, with the third period being shortened to end the game within the time allocated for the game per the UHSB ice contract with the venue and the time confirmed by the UHSB scheduler.
- 29.3.3 UHSB JV division game periods shall be no more than *three*, 13-minute, stop-time periods, with the third period being shortened to end the game within the time allotted for the game, per the UHSB ice contract with the venue and the ice time confirmed by the UHSB scheduler.

29.4 Run Time Rule

- 29.4.1 If the goal differential in the third period is equal to or greater than seven, the timing will switch to run time except to record penalties and goals.
- 29.4.2 If the goal differential is reduced to less than seven goals, the timing shall return to stop time.

29.5 Between Period Length

- 29.5.1 Time between periods will be sixty (60) seconds for all division of teams.

29.6 Time Outs

- 29.6.1 In all UHSB sanctioned games, varsity, JV, Coed, Non-Coed: one sixty-second timeout shall be allowed per team, per game in

29.7 Minor Penalties

- 29.7.1 For all UHSB games, all minor penalties will be two (2) minutes. All USA Hockey Playing rules apply.
- 29.7.2 UHSB retains the authority to add supplemental penalty guidelines but at no time shall UHSB apply penalties lesser than that outlined in USAH guidelines.

29.8 Fighting Penalties

- 29.8.1 UHSB shall impose penalties and sanctions regarding “Fighting” in accordance with USA Hockey playing rules.
- 29.8.2 UHSB reserves the right to impose additional penalties for a violation of USA Hockey playing rules for “Fighting”.

29.9 Tied Games

- 29.9.1 Regular season games ending in a tie shall be recorded as a tie on the official scoresheet.

29.10 Black Out Dates

- 29.10.1 . Each season UHSB has the option to establish blackout dates. Blackout dates will be decided before or at the July trustee meeting. No games or practices will be scheduled by the UHSB Scheduler during blackout dates. Teams may elect to schedule sanctioned activities during these time periods, on their own.
- 29.10.2 Each season teams may submit three blackout dates, individual days only, that their team will not be scheduled for games or practices. These team blackout dates must be provided to the scheduler by a date to be determined by the Board of Trustees and scheduler. There is no guarantee that the requested blackout dates will be honored.

29.10.3 No individual team blackout dates will be granted during the playoffs.

29.10.4 Blackout dates may not be offered during seasons where ice availability affects the completion of the season schedule in a timely manner.

29.11 Senior Nights

29.11.1 Prior to each season, teams may request two possible dates to organize a Senior Recognition night. The requested dates must be submitted to the UHSB scheduler by the deadline date set by UHSB each season. The UHSB scheduler will schedule an extra 15 minutes of ice time for approved Senior Recognition Night games provided that the rink can accommodate the additional time. The team(s) requesting the additional time will be billed for the cost of the additional ice time.

29.12 Announcing or Playing of Music at Games

29.12.1 Other than games where the UHSB board of trustees specifically provides announcers and as a matter of policy announces games and/or provides music, such as all-star games, championship games, etc., the head coach or team trustee of either participating team may determine to eliminate either the playing of music, announcing the game or both. This determination may be made known to the referee at any time during or prior to the game, who shall inform the official game scorekeeper of the decision.

29.13 Gamesheet Scoring App

29.13.1 UHSB teams shall use the Gamesheet Scoring App for the recording of all sanctioned team competitions.

29.13.1.1 Gamesheet, Inc. may provide software tools, in addition to its Scoring App, for teams, parents, fans, etc. UHSB programs are not required to use Gamesheet software beyond the Scoring App until such time that the UHSB Board of Trustees makes such use mandatory

29.13.1.2 UHSB Board of Trustees may vote to purchase one or more iPads and accompanying accessories for each UHSB program. The Trustee shall be the primary custodian of all such devices and accessories.

29.13.1.3 The Trustee is responsible for assuring the iPad devices and accessories are present at all games where the Trustee's team is the Home team and should endeavor to have the devices at all games as the Visiting team.

29.13.1.4 UHSB Webmaster and Treasurer will retain administrative access to all devices for the purpose of providing software upgrades, tracking and securing the devices as needed.

29.13.1.5 Lost or stolen devices shall be reported by the Trustee to the UHSB Executive Director and Treasurer immediately.

29.14 Game Security

29.14.1 Security for all UHSB games will be determined by the UHSB Board of Trustees and in accordance with the policies and regulations of the venues.

29.14.2 Security plans shall be established at least 30 days prior to the start of the UHSB season games, playoff tournaments or other UHSB events.

29.14.3 Security measures, rules and regulations apply to all UHSB events involving spectators including Girls league competitions.

29.15 Utilization of Ice Sheets

29.15.1 Programs should expect that some statewide travel as part of their game schedule during the season. UHSB strives for an equitable game schedule, balanced competition, and reasonable season length for all participating teams. Each team's game schedule involves many factors that affect the ability to deliver a high school hockey schedule and playoff tournament declaring a state champion and consolation tournament winner.

29.15.1.1 Game Series Ice Scheduling

- Statewide ice limitations will require flexibility from teams. Teams should anticipate long-distance travel one or more times as part of their regular season schedule.
- For long distance travel, outside of the Wasatch Front, an effort will be made to schedule more than one game for the team(s) making the trip. In such cases, such scheduling may be referred to a game series weekend to reflect the scheduling of multiple games and potentially multiple teams meeting up at a facility for several games on a weekend.

30 UHSB Penalties

30.1 Games Counting Toward Suspensions

- 30.1.1 All games suspensions issued during UHSB sanctioned games must be served at a subsequent UHSB-sanctioned game or events, in the division where the suspension was assessed and in accordance with USAH playing rules.
- 30.1.2 Sanctioned games shall be those games that are regularly pre-scheduled UHSB games.
- 30.1.3 Pick-up games, exhibition games, games scheduled specifically to avoid serving suspensions or for any other reason or games scheduled after the penalty was assessed, shall not count toward serving game suspensions nor games scheduled with entities other than UHSB member teams (non-USAH Sanctioned games).
- 30.1.4 If the suspension is due to a Match penalty, all provisions under the USA Hockey Annual Guide, the playing rules for Match penalties, the UAHA discipline and any UHSB supplemental discipline shall apply.
- 30.1.5 UAHA, the USA Hockey Affiliate for Utah, may impose Affiliate -wide suspensions.

30.2 Definition of a Sanctioned Game

- 30.2.1 For purposes of defining a sanctioned game under this section - “A game shall begin at the time the players enter the ice until the completion of the game and
 - in which two (2) UHSB sanctioned teams are competing,
 - the game was scheduled by the UHSB Scheduler prior to the suspension being assessed,
 - the game is the same division of play where the suspension was assessed,
 - the game is played with WIHOA officials.
 - If a game is officially recorded as a forfeit, the suspension will be considered served but must be documented on the signed scoresheet before the individual serving the suspension is cleared.

30.3 Game Misconduct Penalties

- 30.3.1 Game Misconduct Penalties shall be served in accordance with the provisions in the USA Hockey Playing Rules and USA Hockey Annual Guide.
- 30.3.2 Any player, coach, volunteer found to be engaging in conduct to assist a person in circumventing the Game Misconduct penalty shall be subject to discipline issued by the UHSB Discipline Committee.

30.4 Match Penalties

- 30.4.1 In all cases, players, coaches or volunteers receiving a Match penalty shall be immediately suspended from further participation in any UHSB activity (including practices with any UHSB team).
- 30.4.2 Match Penalties shall be served in accordance with the provisions in the USA Hockey Playing Rules and USA Hockey Annual Guide.

- 30.4.3 Any player, coach, volunteer found to be engaging in conduct to assist a person in circumventing the match penalty shall be subject to discipline issued by the UHSB Discipline Committee and/or UAHA Discipline authority.

31 UHSB Out of State Travel

31.1 Travel Policy

- 31.1.1 A UHSB-registered team may leave the State of Utah, *as a team*, at any time during the regular season, (September 1st through 48 hours after the start of the USAH High School NBT championship game and, under the following conditions:
- 31.1.1.1 All participating players and coaches are members of the team and are registered and in good standing with UHSB, UAHA and USA Hockey.
 - 31.1.1.2 All participating players and coaches are members of the team and are currently rostered on that team's USAH approved I-T roster.
 - 31.1.1.3 Teams desiring to travel out of state as a UHSB in the Off Season shall consult the UHSB Registrar for roster rules and regulations that will apply to such traveling teams.
 - 31.1.1.4 The team is not under any travel restrictions imposed by UHSB, UAHA or USA Hockey.
 - 31.1.1.5 No adult(s) may occupy a room with one and only one minor player to whom he/she is not the parent/guardian.
 - 31.1.1.6 Unrelated players of the opposite sex may not share a room. unless the other person is the accompanying adult(s) **and** is the parent/guardian of each minor-aged occupant.
 - 31.1.1.7 Sharing of sleeping rooms, between non-family members is not authorized by UHSB.
 - 31.1.1.8 All UHSB teams, players, coaches and referees participating in the sanctioned event in which travel is intended must be USA Hockey registered, have completed all USA hockey trainings, credential verifications, screenings and the event must USA Hockey sanctioned.
 - 31.1.1.9 It is recommended that the Trustee and Coach review and abide by the recommendations of overnight travel as outlined in the USA Hockey Annual Guide and USA Hockey SafeSport policies. Trustees and head coaches are responsible for enforcing safe travel practices.
 - 31.1.1.10 The team trustee has submitted a Travel Permit to UAHA in accordance with UAHA policy and has received an approved UAHA Travel Permit with an authorized signature prior to travel.

31.2 Excessive Travel by UHSB Teams

- 31.2.1 UHSB teams are limited to out of state travel no more than three times during a season. Teams traveling out of state more than three times in a season shall be considered as a travel team as defined by UAHA and therefore subject to review and potential dissolution.
- 31.2.2 No player shall be required to travel out-of-state as a condition of his/her participation on any UHSB team.

31.3 Adult Supervision during UHSB Team Travel

- 31.3.1 It shall be the policy of UHSB that the trustee for the team traveling out of state shall be in total charge of the team, team members and coaching staff. The team trustee may assign supervision responsibilities to other competent, responsible adults during the period of travel as the trustee sees fit. However, regardless of who is assigned responsibility, the trustee shall remain ultimately responsible to the UHSB board of trustees for actions and activities of the team, coaches, supervising adults or team members during the period of travel.
- 31.3.2 All adults involved in the transport of any unrelated minor, whether the operator or a passenger, by motor vehicle shall always operate the vehicle in a safe and lawful manner. All adults transporting an unrelated minor shall ensure the vehicle is maintained in a safe and reliable condition to cause the unrelated player no harm and to deliver him/her to the destination and home again safely and on time. All adults are cautioned to exercise extreme care in such transportation, including allowing sufficient travel time to compensate for traffic congestion, adverse weather and unsafe road conditions to arrive at the destination without disobeying local traffic laws and to operate the vehicle in a safe manner.
- 31.3.3 It shall be the responsibility of the trustee to ensure the following in a manner where reasonable and prudent care is possible:
 - 31.3.3.1 Acceptable mode and method of travel to and from out-of-state lodging quarters to arenas, airport transportation, etc.
 - 31.3.3.2 All players are always accounted for and in the company of responsible adults while traveling.
 - 31.3.3.3 Individual players or groups of players obey and adhere to the rules, regulations and policies of the hotel, tournament and UHSB during out-of-state travel.
 - 31.3.3.4 Trustee reviews and adheres to USAH SafeSport recommendations regarding transporting and overnight lodging of an unrelated minor aged athlete and utilize the recommended parent agreement forms on the usahockey.com website page for Resources.
 - 31.3.3.5 No consumption of alcohol, use of illegal drugs or other controlled substances, or use of tobacco products occurs during the period of travel.
 - 31.3.3.6 Imposition and enforcement of a legitimate curfew for all players.

31.4 Discipline and Out of State Travel

- 31.4.1 Players, teams, coaches and trustees traveling out of the State of Utah for competition shall be subject to all USA Hockey disciplinary sanctions and shall be subject to UHSB sanctions as published herein-and/or as determined by the appropriate UHSB or UAHA governing body, in addition to sanctions which may prevail in the area traveled to for the team event.
- 31.4.2 Failing to secure a UAHA Travel Permit in advance of out of state travel may result in discipline for the head coach, trustee and team.

31.5 Players Under Suspension

- 31.5.1 No player, coach or trustee who is under suspension with UHSB at the time of travel shall be permitted to participate in any out of state travel game activity, including being on the bench or in the locker room in any capacity until such time as he/she has completed the terms of his/her suspension.

31.6 Out of State Game Play - Scoresheets Requirement

- 31.6.1 It shall be mandatory that a copy of scoresheets for competition completed by a UHSB sanctioned team, during out-of-state travel, be submitted to the UHSB secretary immediately upon return from any travel activity. The scoresheet may be provided in paper or digital format.

32 Game Officiation

32.1 Wasatch Ice Hockey Officials Association (WIHOA)

- 32.1.1 The Wasatch Hockey Officials Association (WIHOA) is an independent association of game officials, all of whom are registered and certified with USA Hockey.
- 32.1.2 Fees are negotiated with WIHOA approximately every 4 seasons or as determined by WIHOA.
- 32.1.3 A UHSB sanctioned JV games shall be played with a minimum of two WIHOA officials.
- 32.1.4 UHSB Varsity games shall be played with a minimum of 4 WIHOA officials.
- 32.1.5 The WIHOA officials shall remain on the ice at all times that players are present on the ice.
- 32.1.6 All officials on the ice must be USA Hockey registered, certified and assigned by WIHOA for a game to be sanctioned. If no WIHOA or other USA Hockey approved official can be present for any reason, the game may not be played. All instances where WIHOA officials were a “No Show” shall be reported to the UHSB scheduler, UHSB Treasurer and UHSB Executive Director for rescheduling. Effort will be made to reschedule such games but is not guaranteed.
- 32.1.7 WIHOA will schedule all officials for all scheduled games. Except for playoff games, it is the policy of UHSB not to request certain referees for certain games. Only the UHSB Scheduler in collaboration with the UHSB Executive Committee may request specific WIHOA officials for playoff games.

32.2 WIHOA Complaints

- 32.2.1 Complaints against individual WIHOA officials shall be made in writing using the “referee complaint” form located on the WIHOA website.
 - 32.2.1.1 Complaints concerning judgment calls shall not be changed except through WIHOA and utilizing the WIHOA form to initiate challenges to the official call(s) or through the UHSB Executive Director or their appointee.
- 32.2.2 The Executive Director, or the UHSB Executive Committee appointed member, may request that a review of the complaint to be conducted by the WIHOA representative to UHSB.
 - 32.2.2.1 The purpose of such requests/challenges may result in additional education or sanctions to the officiating staff but may not necessarily result in a change in the call(s). WIOHA and UAHA retain authority to educate and sanction officials.
- 32.2.3 If the complaint involves physical or sexual abuse of a player, the complaint shall be reported to USA Hockey SafeSport and remanded to the UAHA SafeSport Coordinator for guidance. Criminal offenses shall be reported to local law enforcement by those involved.

Post-Season Play

33 UHSB Playoffs

33.1 Playoff Eligibility – Players

- 33.1.1 All players must be registered with USA Hockey prior to the published registration deadlines determined by USA Hockey and UAHA and UHSB and:
 - 33.1.1.1 have completed their UHSB player registration prior to the date determined by the UHSB Registrar for the season and
 - 33.1.1.2 have paid all applicable fees to UHSB and the team prior to the date determined by the UHSB Registrar for the season and
 - 33.1.1.3 have been submitted required documentation to the UHSB Registrar prior to the deadlines determined by UHSB and UAHA and enforced by the UAHA Registrar and
 - 33.1.1.4 appear on the approved USA Hockey 1-T roster for their UHSB team, as an eligible player, prior to the USAH and UAHA 1-T roster deadlines and
 - 33.1.1.5 have completed all certifications and training required by USA Hockey, UAHA, and UHSB in accordance with deadlines.
- 33.1.2 The player must have participated in at least five (5) UHSB sanctioned, regular season, Varsity games, as an eligible team member, for the team entering the UHSB Playoff tournament, to be eligible for UHSB playoffs participation. All games must be eligible UHSB games to count toward player eligibility for playoffs. Eligible games are confirmed with the official game scoresheet. Games where the player is serving a suspension do not count toward the player's 5-game playoff eligibility count.
- 33.1.3 The player must meet all other player eligibility requirements for UHSB playoffs herein, to be eligible to participate in UHSB playoffs. Should the player fail to meet one of the requirements, the limited appeal process, for playoff eligibility, is available.
- 33.1.4 A limited appeal process may be available to players who for some reason do not meet the playoff eligibility requirements herein. An ineligible player may be considered for participation in the UHSB playoffs, by initiating an appeal at least 10 days prior to the start of the UHSB playoffs tournament and as follows:
 - 33.1.4.1 A written appeal must be submitted to the UHSB eligibility committee.
 - 33.1.4.2 The appeal must include the reasoning as to why the player failed to meet the UHSB Player Eligibility policy requirements herein.
 - 33.1.4.3 The written appeal must include why their case should be considered for review.
- 33.1.5 The UHSB Eligibility Committee is not required to hear an appeal regarding a player who is deemed ineligible for UHSB playoffs.
- 33.1.6 UHSB may not overrule or reinstate a player whose ineligibility is determined by USA Hockey Annual Guide, Playing Rules or other State, National or Regional governing body rules and regulations

33.2 Playoffs Seeding

- 33.2.1 Varsity division teams will be seeded for playoff competition based upon the MyHockeyRankings.com or other ranking system approved by the Board of Trustees to establish scheduling ranking.

- 33.2.2 JV division teams will be seeded for playoff competition in the season when a JV playoff tournament is hosted. The ranking system will be approved by the Board of Trustees.
- 33.2.3 Girls league teams will be seeded for Girls league playoff competition when a Girls league playoff and championship is hosted. The ranking system to be used will be approved by the Board of Trustees.
- 33.2.4 The coed Varsity and the Girls league playoffs format will be subject to the USA Hockey National Championships Tournament Guidelines regulations.

33.3 Playoffs Warm-Up

- 33.3.1 Each team will be allowed a 5-minute coincidental warm-up period prior to each game. Warm-ups shall not be extended to allow late goaltenders additional time. A reasonable amount of additional time will be allowed for teams to have sufficient players to arrive in the playing area. Teams without sufficient players after the expiration of the additional time shall record the game as a forfeit.

33.4 Playoffs Game Forfeiture

- 33.4.1 Each team must have enough players on the ice to begin the game as per USA Hockey Rules or the game will be forfeited to the opposing team.

33.5 Utah High School Hockey Certified Coaches for Playoffs

- 33.5.1 If, at the start of the game, (not the warm-up period), a UHSB Certified coach is not available on the bench, the team without the coach shall forfeit the game. If neither team has a certified coach on the bench at game time, the teams will take a 0-0 loss.
- 33.5.2 In the event of forfeiture, the teams may remain on the ice and conduct a practice if, and only if, there is at least one certified coach present, and he/she runs the practice for both teams. If no certified coach is present, both teams must immediately exit the ice until such time as a certified Coach is present on the ice.

33.6 Playoffs Period Length

- 33.6.1 All periods will be no more than sixteen (16) minutes unless required by USA Hockey National Championships Guidelines for the NBT bound teams and will be stop time. Games will NOT be curfewed.

33.7 Playoffs - Between-Period Length

- 33.7.1 In between periods there will be a 1-minute rest period.

33.8 Tie Games – Other than for a Championship

- 33.8.1 The winner of a game ending in a tie during playoffs, other than a game which could determine a championship, will be determined by a sudden death five (5)- minute overtime, with the first team scoring deemed the winner. If at the end of the sudden death overtime the game is still tied the game will go to a five-man shootout.
- 33.8.2 Five-man shootout rules for games other than a potential championship game:
 - 33.8.2.1 The coach of each team will present to the referee in writing his/her first five (5) shooters and place them in the order of participation.
 - 33.8.2.2 The team denoted as the “Guest” team on the official scoresheet will shoot first.

- 33.8.2.3 Each team will take 1 shot at a time. After all five (5) shot attempts, the team with the most goals awarded will be deemed the winner.
- 33.8.2.4 If, at the conclusion of the first shootout, the teams are still tied and a winner has not been determined, an additional sudden death shootout will be held and the steps from paragraphs 33.8.1-33.8.3 will be repeated until a winner is determined. Each coach will hand a written list of his/her next five (5) shooters, in the order they are to shoot, to the referee. Again, the team designated as “Guest” on the official scoresheet will shoot first. The first team to score a goal which is not matched by an equal number of shots by the opposing team will be declared the winner.
- 33.8.2.5 If the score is still tied, repeat steps from paragraphs 33.8.1-33.8.3 until there is a winner. Different shooters will be selected each round until one team has used all available shooters. At that time each coach may use players that have already participated in prior shootouts.
- 33.8.3 Any player who has left the ice for any reason and who is not serving a penalty when regulation time ends, shall be allowed to participate in any shootout play. If a team has only four eligible players remaining on the ice with no additional eligible players on the bench at the end of regulation time, the first shooter shall be eligible to shoot again as the fifth shooter.
- 33.8.4 The number of players on a team will determine at what point a coach may start over again with his/her roster in designating the shooters. (If Team A has 13 players and 2 goaltenders on the roster with one player in the penalty box at the end of regulation, and Team B has 14 players and 1 goaltender on the roster with 3 players in the penalty box at the end of regulation, the Coach of team B must use his/her entire roster of 11 available shooters, (goaltenders don’t count). The Coach of Team A must also use his/her first 11 players. When Team B is out of original shooters (11), both Team A & B may start through their rosters again. Team A shall not be required to use its last available shooter.

33.9 Goaltenders for Shoot-outs

- 33.9.1 Goaltenders may be substituted at the beginning of any five-man shootout.

33.10 Shootout Rules for Championship Games

- 33.10.1 There shall be NO sudden death shootout in any game which could determine a Championship regardless of the time it takes to complete the game. All shoot-outs shall be regulation 5-man shoot-outs.
- 33.10.2 The coach of each team shall indicate to the referee, in writing, his/her first five (5) shooters in their order of participation.
- 33.10.3 The team denoted as the “Guest” team on the official scoresheet will shoot first.
- 33.10.4 The first team to gain an advantage in scoring that cannot be overcome by the remaining shooters on the opposing team will be declared the winner and will have one 1 point added to the score.
- 33.10.5 Credit for the goal shall be given to the last winning team player to score during the shootout
- 33.10.6 If, at the conclusion of the shootout, the teams are still tied, an additional shootout will be held following the same format indicated above in paragraph 33.10.

- 33.10.7 The coach may select only players who have not already shot to shoot in the next five (5) man round.

33.11 Playoffs Time Outs

- 33.11.1 Each team will be allowed one (1) 30-second time out during each playoff game.

33.12 Playoffs Game Uniforms

- 33.12.1 No player shall be on the ice in a uniform that is deceptively similar to the uniform worn by the opposing team. (If Team A is in red, then all players on Team A must be in a red uniform. No player from Team B shall be allowed to wear any uniform with the predominate color being red).
- 33.12.2 In situations where uniforms of both teams are similar, referees must ensure that no player from one team is wearing a color deceptively similar to the colors of the other team. If, in the referee's judgment, there exists a situation where a player or team is wearing a uniform(s) deceptively similar to that of the other team, the referee may do one of the following:
- 33.12.3 Prohibit an offending player from participating until he/she has replaced the offending jersey.
- 33.12.4 Allow five minutes for the offending team to change uniforms and assess a two (2) minute delay of game penalty at the start of the game on the offending team, or
- 33.12.5 If no change of uniform is available, the referee may forfeit the game and award the win to the home team.
- 33.12.6 Coach may request a player from the opposing team to change uniform by notifying the opposing head coach or trustee that, in his/her judgment, the opposing player's uniform will be confusing to his/her team. If the opposing coach refuses to comply, the final decision as to this issue will rest with the referee.

33.13 Playoffs - Minor Aged Officials

- 33.13.1 Whenever possible, no minor aged official shall work the scorer's box who represents either participating team.
- 33.13.2 In games which may determine a championship, no minor aged officials are to serve as the game scorer, scorer's assistant, timekeeper, penalty box minder, assistant to the penalty box attendant or in any game management capacity for either team.

33.14 Other Rules & Regulations Governing Playoff Games

- 33.14.1 All other aspects of championship games shall follow USA Hockey guidelines for sanctioned games.
- 33.14.2 UHSB shall establish a Playoff committee consisting of members from the UHSB Board of Trustees who have been approved by the Board of Trustees.
- 33.14.3 The UHSB Playoff Committee shall be charged with responding to issues not already covered by these policies and procedures, or other governing policies.

33.15 Playoffs Game Gate

- 33.15.1 A gate fee may be charged for all games. The amount of which shall be determined from time to time by the UHSB board of trustees.
Collections of the gate fee shall be conducted under the direction of the UHSB Treasurer.
- 33.15.2 Proceeds from the gate will be deposited into the main UHSB account and shall be used towards UHSB operating business and furthering the purposes of the organization.
- 33.15.3 Gate Volunteers – Each team is required to provide at minimum one volunteer to help collect gate fees at their respective playoff games and in accordance to the time schedule established by the UHSB Treasurer. If a team is unable to fulfill the minimum number of volunteers requested at least eight hours prior to game time the team will be charged a \$50 fine. If another team can fill the volunteer spot the \$50 fine shall be applied as credit to the team providing the volunteer

33.16 Playoff Ice Scheduling

- 33.16.1 In the event of statewide ice constraints, including excessive game cancellations, facility closures, or other disruptions, the Board of Trustees reserves the authority to modify playoff programming to align with available ice.
- 33.16.2 Adjustments to the tournament format, number of guaranteed games, locations, and elimination criteria, to ensure playoffs can be completed safely and within the limits of statewide rink availability and the need to declare a champion.
- 33.16.3 Priority will be given to NBT playoff scheduling to ensure compliance with National Tournament qualification requirements.

Discipline and Eligibility Reviews

34 UHSB Discipline and Eligibility Committees

34.1 UHSB Discipline Committee

- 34.1.1 The disciplinary committee will consist of up to three (3) members including the chairperson. An odd number is recommended. Non-trustees may be committee members. The chairperson is responsible for selecting committee members. The Chairperson shall ensure that all committee members are able to remain impartial and shall determine which members to excuse, if any, to maintain this impartiality. The chairperson shall excuse committee members who have direct team benefit or loss with the outcome of voting for that situation. The composition of the Committee may be reviewed at the request of any Trustee or the Executive leadership.
- 34.1.2 The primary responsibility of the Chairperson is to assist UHSB in tracking of suspensions and other discipline of its participants; to convene the committee for hearings including discipline, supplemental discipline, other violations; prepare the materials needed for committee deliberations regarding a hearing, facilitate deliberations, call for a vote, maintain committee records and provide reports and recommendations to the board of trustees and others as appropriate.
- 34.1.3 . The Chairperson may vote.
- 34.1.4 The Chairperson may appoint interim members if a member has a conflict, is unavailable, is suspended or has failed to maintain good standing with the UHSB Board of Trustees, as needed to conduct business.
- 34.1.5 Should a player, coach or parent come into question that is on one of the committees member's teams, the Chairperson shall excuse the member from voting for that situation.
- 34.1.6 The UHSB Discipline Committee chairperson shall not hear appeals of supplemental discipline. Discipline Appeals are made to and heard by the UHSB Board of Trustees.
- 34.1.7 All discipline other than UHSB supplemental discipline shall be issued in accordance with USAH playing rules, by game officials, the UAHA Discipline Committee or other hockey governing authority.

34.2 UHSB Discipline Hearings

- 34.2.1 The UHSB Discipline Committee Chairperson shall hold a Discipline Hearing when considering supplemental discipline including discipline not covered by USA Hockey or other governing entities. The Chairperson shall hold a discipline hearing as soon as practical, after the incident. It is essential that all parties directly related to the incident, (including referees, linesmen, coaches, etc.), be informed of the hearing, allowed to submit materials pertinent to the incident and be allowed to be in attendance during the presentation portion of the hearing.
- 34.2.2 The committee is allowed to deliberate in closed session, after the hearing presentations are completed.
- 34.2.3 Once the committee has reached a decision, the committee chairperson shall issue a UHSB discipline notification letter, including the violation, decision and steps for appeal, if any, and shall send copies of the letter to the following parties:
 - The offending player, coach or official.
 - Head Coach and Trustee of the offending player/participant.

- At least one parent or guardian of the offending player.
- Referee assigned to UHSB by WIHOA (if involved)
- Executive Director of UHSB,
- Vice President of Affiliated or Independent should the offending participant be a Trustee or other team official, and,
- The UHSB webmaster or person assigned to update the UHSB discipline tracking document on the Trustee Only online location, if in use at that time.

34.3 Appeals related to UHSB Issued Discipline

- 34.3.1 The disciplinary committee chairperson shall notify each player, coach or trustee receiving a UHSB discipline action, of his/her right of appeal, in writing, and with steps for appealing the decision.
- 34.3.2 The player, coach or trustee who chooses to appeal a UHSB discipline decision issued, must do so in writing to the Executive Director of UHSB within 15 days of receipt of notification of the discipline decision. Match Penalties and Summary Suspensions are appealed to the UAHA Discipline Committee. Game calls are appealed to WIHOA. SafeSport violations are managed by UAHA SafeSport representative and USA Hockey.
- 34.3.3 All appeals to be heard by the UHSB board of trustees must be accompanied by a \$500 nonrefundable check for each infraction related to the appeal requesting a hearing.
- 34.3.4 All suspensions shall remain in force during any appeal.
- 34.3.5 No suspended player or participant will be allowed to return to the ice or participate with a UHSB program until his/her appeal has been heard and a decision handed down by the UHSB board of trustees or, the suspension has been completely and properly served and documented.
- 34.3.6 Appeals heard by the UHSB Board of Trustees shall render a decision within 14 days of the conclusion of the appeals hearing.

34.4 Records/Court Reporters during a UHSB Hearing

- 34.4.1 The Executive Director of UHSB may decide that a court reporter is necessary. In all such cases the cost of the reporter shall be borne by UHSB. Cost of copies of transcripts shall be borne by the party requesting such copies. Should the appellant request the court reporter, that cost shall be borne by the appellant.

34.5 Referees Use of Video Use of Video Tapes in Disciplinary Matters

- 34.5.1 Use of a video by a referee to make a penalty call is prohibited by USA Hockey, at any time, under any circumstances. All referee calls must be made during or immediately after the game.
- 34.5.2 The use of video for supplemental review by the WIHOA President or USA Hockey Officiating Appointee is allowed. Recommendations for supplemental discipline may be made by either officiating body/individual to UHSB as a result of, but not limited to, video review.

34.6 Use of Video during Appeals

- 34.6.1 A. In the event a player, coach or official wishes to appeal an action of the UHSB Disciplinary Committee he/she may use unedited video in its entirety or clips to exonerate himself/herself if that evidence was provided during the initial Hearing phase. It shall be the sole responsibility of the penalized player, coach or official to provide a copy of the video to the appropriate Appeal body at least one week prior to any appeal session. (This video shall remain the property of UHSB and shall not be returned). (At no time shall it become the responsibility of UHSB to secure copies of any video for the Appellant).
- 34.6.2 It is understood that the tape MAY NOT necessarily exonerate the player but may indicate guilt. It is also understood that under Section 4, Rule 10 - Supplementary Discipline, of the Official USA Hockey Playing Rules 1999-2000 or as thereafter published from time to time, the UHSB board of trustees, upon hearing the appeal, may choose to leave the original punishment intact, may decide to reduce it or may decide to increase the original punishment with supplemental discipline.

34.7 Utah High School Hockey, Inc., Authority

- 34.7.1 The UHSB Board shall not be prohibited from using video at any time to protect the health and safety of all its players and officials. The governing body may review any tape, at any time, if, in its discretion, it believes a player, coach or official has acted in a manner that may jeopardize the future health or safety of other players or officials. (It is not necessary that the referees note such behavior on the official scoresheets). The Board shall act if, in its opinion, the player or official in question presents a hazard to the safety or health of other players or officials or exhibits conduct detrimental to UHSB or its participants.

35 UHSB Eligibility Committee

35.1 Eligibility Committee Formation, Primary Responsibilities,

- 35.1.1 The Eligibility committee will consist of up to three (3) members including a chairperson. Multiple committee members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest, or should they be unavailable. Non-trustees may serve on the eligibility committee. The committee chairperson is responsible for selecting committee members. The Chairperson shall endeavor to select committee members who are knowledgeable of USA Hockey, UAHA and UHSB eligibility policies and are able to remain impartial and have the willingness to learn governing eligibility policies/rules. The chairperson shall determine which members to excuse, if any, to maintain impartiality where a conflict of interest may be present. The Eligibility committee must have a minimum of two members to conduct a vote. An odd number of voting members is preferred. The chairperson may appoint alternate members as needed to conduct business.
- 35.1.2 The primary responsibility of the Chairperson is to convene the committee, prepare the materials needed for committee deliberations, facilitate discussion, call for a vote on eligibility issues, maintain committee records and provide recommendations and reports to the board of trustees.
- 35.1.3 The chairperson shall excuse committee members who have a direct team, player or personal benefit or loss with the outcome of voting for that situation. The Chairperson may choose to appoint an interim voting committee member to serve for this situation.
- 35.1.4 The decision of the eligibility committee will be made available to involved parties immediately. A decision may be appealed to the UHSB board of trustees with a majority vote from the UHSB board of trustees determining the outcome of the appeal.

35.2 Eligibility Penalties

- 35.2.1 It is the responsibility of the trustee and head coach to monitor player, coach and volunteer eligibility upon registration and including declaration of team(s).
- 35.2.2 Each trustee shall communicate accurate team boundary information to prospective players and the parent/guardians. Upon request, the trustee shall assist the UHSB Registrar or executive leadership with the collection of school registration or other proof of eligibility for all players who are planning to register with the team or those listed on the 1-T roster by the date deadline determined by the UHSB Registrar. The trustee shall provide the requested information, in electronic format, to the eligibility committee and UHSB Registrar. The parent/guardian may be required to provide this information during the player registration process. Failure to produce eligibility documentation as requested will result in removal of the player from the 1-T roster resulting in the player's ineligibility for continued participation in UHSB.
After the start of the season and for any subsequent player added to the team, The player is not deemed eligible until such information is provided to the eligibility committee and UHSB Registrar and the player appears on the team's UAHA approved USA Hockey 1-T roster.

35.3 Penalty for the play of an ineligible player includes:

- 35.3.1 Sanctions from UAHA and UHSB

- 35.3.1.1 The team will record all games in which the ineligible player participated as a forfeit. The team with the roster violation will record a loss for each game where the ineligible participant was confirmed. The opponent shall be issued a 10-0 win in the game score.
- 35.3.1.2 Roster violations shall be subject to the sanctions in the playing rules of USA Hockey.
- 35.3.1.3 Roster violations shall be subject to the policies and sanctions of UAHA in addition to UHSB discipline.
- 35.3.1.4 A player, participating on a team determined to be a team for which the player was not eligible to participate, shall be reassigned to the appropriate team, forfeiting any funds given to the originally registered team, and will be responsible for paying any fees/dues to the new team.
- 35.3.1.5 The head coach and trustee will be subject to the sanctions in USAH and UAHA policies and rulebooks. The UHSB disciplinary committee may impose education or supplemental disciplinary action for any and all player eligibility violations.
- 35.3.1.6 Teams found in violation of player eligibility and roster violations will be subject to UAHA discipline policies and supplemental discipline and/or sanctions by the UHSB executive board and/or the UHSB discipline committee. If the violations are extensive or pervasive, the program or team could be deemed ineligible for UHSB state playoffs or disbanded by a majority vote of the board of trustees.
- 35.3.1.7 UHSB provides a program that encompasses fairness to the participants, promotes fair play and sportsmanship, and endeavors coaches and officials to provide eligible high school students with a place to play, regardless of skill or ability. Team officials are expected to promote this sense of sportsmanship while adhering to USAH, UAHA and UHSB player eligibility rules.
- 35.3.1.8 Failure to know and properly apply all player, coach, volunteer and team eligibility rules does not exempt any team personnel or participant from discipline due to eligibility or roster violations.

ALL STARS

36 UHSB ALL STAR TEAMS

36.1 Purpose of the UHSB All-Star Teams

- 36.1.1 The Purpose of the UHSB All-Star Event offering is to showcase the UHSB program and honor skilled players who also demonstrate team leadership, team spirit, fair play, etc.
- 36.1.2 Each program shall be guaranteed one player to be selected to participate in the annual UHSB All Star Game. The trustee shall nominate an eligible player in accordance with UHSB policies and submission deadlines herein and determined by the All-Star Committee.
- 36.1.3 Selected players will be assigned to a team according to their regular season division. If a nominated or selected player is suspended by USAH for any reason, moves away or transfers to another program prior to the All-Star game, the All-Star Committee shall select the first available and eligible alternate, to fill the open position.

36.2 All-Star Selection Committee

- 36.2.1 The UHSB Board of Trustees shall appoint an All-Star committee chairperson at the start of the season. The committee chairperson shall select additional committee members.
- 36.2.2 The All-Star selection committee must select all players for the all-star teams from among the candidates nominated in accordance with the nomination policies herein. The All-Star selection committee may not select players who have not been nominated by a UHSB head coach/team trustee.
- 36.2.3 To ensure equitable team representation, the All-Star selection committee will follow all eligibility and All-Star team placement requirements herein.
- 36.2.4 As the All-Star team rosters are filled by the committee, it is possible that the available positions (forward, defense, goalie) may not match a team's next nominee. (Example: only defensive positions are available and the next nominee for Team X is a forward.) When this happens, the All-Star selection committee will give the head coach/team trustee the option of having their nominee play a different position in the all-star game or the head coach/trustee may direct the All-Star committee to skip to the next nominee.

36.3 All Star Player Eligibility/Non-Eligibility

- 36.3.1 UHSB players registered by the Player Registration Deadline set forth herein or declared by the UHSB Registrar for the season and in good standing with their program and in good standing with UHSB shall be eligible to be nominated for participation on a UHSB All-Star team.
- 36.3.2 Players under suspension for any reason at the time of the game may not participate in the All-Star game or related events.
- 36.3.3 Any player issued over 50 penalty minutes or 2 game misconducts throughout the combined JV and Varsity regular season (pre-season games do NOT count toward disqualifiers) is ineligible for All-Star game participation.
- 36.3.4 Any player that participates in what is considered the "final all-star game" will no longer be eligible to play on a UHSB JV team. Loss of JV eligibility, due to participation in the UHSB final All-Star game, excludes Girls and goalies, unless exempted from JV participation by decision of the UHSB eligibility committee.

- 36.3.5 UHSB players meeting UHSB All-Star eligibility requirements and selected for an All-Star team spot may not be denied participation except in the case where:
- 36.3.5.1 the player is serving a game suspension, or discipline issued in accordance with these policies and procedures or USA Hockey playing rules or USA Annual Guide rules.
 - 36.3.5.2 The UABA Discipline committee may, as part of its disciplinary decision, deny the player the privilege of participating in any UHSB All Star activity including games.

36.4 All-Star Player Nominations

- 36.4.1 To be considered for membership on the UHSB all-star team, a player must be nominated by his/her head coach/team trustee using the mechanism provided by the All-Star Committee and prior to the established deadline.
- 36.4.2 Players not so nominated shall be ineligible to participate.
- 36.4.3 Coaches/team trustees are not required to nominate players. If the skill level or behavior of team players is such that a coach feels there are no acceptable nominees, he/she may opt out of the All-Star nominations process but retains the privilege to nominate eligible players in a subsequent season.
- 36.4.4 A deadline will be imposed for nominations to facilitate a timely selection process.
- 36.4.5 For what is deemed to be the “final all-star” game, each UHSB team is not guaranteed a roster spot.

36.5 Guaranteed Player Selection

- 36.5.1 Per the UHSB All Star Nomination section herein, each eligible registered UHSB varsity program shall be entitled to have one player, per varsity division team, selected to participate in a UHSB All-Star game. The eligible player shall participate in the All-Star division in which the player participated during the regular season
- 36.5.2 The program head coach and team trustee are responsible for selecting and submitting their player nominations in the preferred order of consideration, with their top nominee listed as the #1 submission.
- 36.5.3 The selection committee will select from among the players submitted.
- 36.5.4 The #1 submission of a program must be selected before the #2 submission, etc. (exception listed in 36.2.4)
- 36.5.5 The head coach/ team trustee shall determine which player shall have the team’s automatic berth (#1 submitted player) on the team by listing that player as the #1 submission.
- 36.5.6 All other players nominated by the head coach/team trustee shall be placed in a pool and shall be selected by the all-star selection committee. All eligibility criteria apply

36.6 Building the All-Star Teams

- 36.6.1 The All-Star Committee retains full authority to form teams from eligible UHSB players, when possible, each team shall be comprised of three forward lines, three defensive pairs and three goaltenders.

- 36.6.2 The total number of players on each team is not to exceed USA Hockey game rules for number of players on the bench. It shall be the responsibility of the All-Star selection committee to place players on teams with an eye toward parity and before varsity team affiliation.
- 36.6.3 A tie All-Star game score should be viewed as the ultimate goal of team formation.
- 36.6.4 Players from the same team should be kept together whenever possible.
- 36.6.5 The player assignments are subject to the All-Star selection committee's desire to balance teams.
- 36.6.6 If, in the opinion of the All-Star selection committee it is necessary to place players from the same program on different teams, in order to balance the teams, the committee is empowered to unilaterally do so.

36.7 All-Star Coaches

- 36.7.1 All-Star head coaches will be determined by league standings.
 - 36.7.1.1 For the NBT Division I vs NBT Division I game, the team that finished first in regular season standings, per MyHockeyRankings (MHR), will be the source of the head coach of one team and the team that finished second using the same standings, will be source of the head coach of the second team. Six more coaches, 3 for each team, will then be selected, by the All-Star selection committee, based on MHR end-of-season league standings for the teams finishing in ranking 3 through X in the regular season standings per MHR.
 - 36.7.1.2 For the non-NBT Division vs non-NBT Division-game, the team that finished first will be the source of the head coach of one team and the team that finished second will be the source of the head coach of the second team. Six more coaches, 3 for each team, will then be selected based on MHR end-of-season league standings, from among teams finishing 3 through X in regular season standing per MHR.
 - 36.7.1.3 For what is deemed the "final All-Star" game, the team that finished first in each All-Star game division (NBT All Star game & Non-NBT All Star game) will be selected as the 2 head coaches for the final All-Star game. The remaining 6 coaches (3 per each final All-Star team) will be selected as per MHR league standings, i.e. first, second, third, four place, etc. for each division.
- 36.7.2 The Girls League All-Star coaches will be selected by the All-Star selection committee.

36.8 All-Star Alternate Players

- 36.8.1 The All-Star selection committee shall select at least two alternate players at each position (forward and defense) in case players are injured, opt not to participate or are suspended.
- 36.8.2 The All-Star committee, through the team trustees, shall ensure that alternate players are apprised of their Alternate Player status and confirm that the Alternate Players will be available to participate if called upon.

36.9 All-Star Games

- 36.9.1 There shall be a NBT division I and a non-NBT division and Girls League All-Star game held in which each registered eligible UHSB varsity team is represented.
- 36.9.2 There will be a "final all-star game" in which team selection will be determined by the All-Star committee and utilizing the impartial evaluators input.

- 36.9.3 Each Girls League team head coach/trustee will submit their nominations to the All-Star selection committee using the same submission process, deadline, and eligibility criteria provided to the UHSB coed programs and noted herein.
- 36.9.4 The games shall be a minimum of three sixteen (16) minute periods.
- 36.9.5 The coaches shall make every attempt to play each line equally.
- 36.9.6 Each goaltender shall play one period.
- 36.9.7 Ties will go to 5-minute sudden death overtime period. If tied after the 5-minute overtime period, a 5-man shootout shall follow. If tied after the 5-man shootout, then a sudden death shootout shall determine the game winning team.
- 36.9.8 Players receiving a "Fighting" misconduct penalty as noted on the official scoresheet as such, shall be immediately suspended from the remaining All-Star games and events. All other USAH penalties for a Fighting Penalty shall be in force.
- 36.9.9 Each team may have a sixty-second time-out.
- 36.9.10 All game misconducts will be served at the next UHSB All-Star game or next regular season game, whichever is first. The player receiving the game misconduct may be subject to further discipline.

37 UTAH HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY ACADEMIC ALL STARS

37.1 Purpose of the UHSB Academic All Stars Honor

- 37.1.1 UHSB players who earned a GPA of 3.5 or above, during the current season, will be honored with a certificate of accomplishment.
- 37.1.2 The team trustee shall submit a request for this honor using the UHSB online submission form located on the UHSB Website > Trustee Only page.
- 37.1.3 The UHSB Trustee is responsible for verifying the player GPA.
- 37.1.4 The UHSB Trustee shall use good judgement in submitting names of players whose academic course of study is reasonably aligned with a schedule that is equivalent to a full course load and not indicative of an academic schedule with minimal coursework, multiple release times, solely comprised of electives, etc.
- 37.1.5 The UHSB Academic All-Stars will be acknowledged on a banner displayed at the UHSB All-Star games.

Awards/ Scholarship and Other Programs

38 Jeffrey Glass Robinson League MVP Award

38.1 History/Purpose

- 38.1.1 The “Jeffrey Glass Robinson Most Valuable Player” awards are honors awarded each year to the most valuable player, in the position of Forward, in up to two UHSB Varsity coed divisions.
- 38.1.2 The awards were established by Claire Gaylord in memory of her son Jeff who was killed in a one car rollover, in North Salt Lake, on the way to hockey practice for the Judge Memorial High School hockey team.
- 38.1.3 Jeffrey moved to Salt Lake City from Rochester, New York in 1981. Though he enjoyed skiing, tennis and sailing, his real love was hockey. Always a sportsman and gentleman, Jeffrey’s dedication to the game of hockey will be rewarded through the efforts of others who emulate his memorable qualities and contributions. Perseverance, commitment, team spirit, positive attitude, pride and above all, sportsmanship were the qualities and characteristics that Jeff brought to the game of hockey during his seven years with S.L.A.H.A. (1981- 1988). Jeff participated in hockey as he did at school and in life, with a gentle nature and great attitude. All who knew him will always think of his warm smile. He will be missed but never forgotten. This award will be presented annually to the high school offensive player who best exemplifies the spirit and quality which Jeff brought to the S.L.A.H.A. program.

38.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- 38.2.1 Eligible players include UHSB participants registered as members of UHSB prior to the 31st of December of the current season and are nominated by their respective head coaches regardless of year in school.
- 38.2.2 Eligible candidates are those who meet the criteria in herein and nominated by their head coach or team trustee using the UHSB online nomination form located on the UHSB website.
- 38.2.3 Candidates may be eliminated based on playing record or penalty infractions or for an incomplete nomination submission. For example, a player may be eliminated if their game penalties, as noted in their UHSB statistical record, for the current season, is deemed excessive relative to other players that season, in the same division. Excessive penalties could be defined as when a player’s PIM exceed the average PIMs for the season, for players in their division of play. A player may be eliminated if the type of penalties accrued include game misconducts, game ejections, game suspensions. A player may be eliminated for USAH zero tolerance infractions. A player may be eliminated for violation of other conduct standards including discipline assessed to the player by any governing hockey body (USAH, UAHA, RMD, UHSB other Utah hockey entity). A player may be eliminated for other UHSB penalties or conduct that demonstrate the player does not exemplify the spirit and quality which Jeff Robinson brought to Utah High School Hockey. The Awards Committee may include other criteria for elimination but must apply that criteria to all candidates during the review, ranking and elimination of candidates.

38.3 Cash Award

- 38.3.1 No Cash Award for the Robinson MVP Award.

38.4 Trophies

- 38.4.1 Each winning candidate will receive a personal plaque as well as have his/her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case.

38.5 Nominations

- 38.5.1 Each program trustee or head coach is responsible for nominating their team's eligible players for the Robinson MVP award, by completing the online nomination located on the UHSB website. The Awards Committee has the authority to submit a nomination.
- 38.5.2 All applications must be submitted at the end of the 1st academic term but no later than January 15 of the current season.
- 38.5.3 The nomination form must be completed in its entirety by the trustee or head coach. Failure to answer all questions, on the online nomination form may be the sole grounds for elimination as a candidate.
- 38.5.4 The UHSB Executive Committee will be provided with the list of nominated candidates for the purpose of review.
- 38.5.5 The UHSB Executive Committee reserves the right to eliminate candidates but must apply the criteria equally to all candidates.

38.6 Candidate Selection Criteria

- 38.6.1 In reaching a consensus of finalists, the UHSB Awards committee shall review the UHSB hockey history of each candidate. Criteria from the eligibility section shall be considered during the selection phase.
- 38.6.2 Other objective criteria to be used to evaluate candidates may include:
- A player whose status indicates graduation during the season.
 - A player who did not participate in a full UHSB hockey season.
 - A player's goals earned in their division as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's assists earned their division as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's game winning goals statistics as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's point accumulation during the season as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's other player game statistics gathered by UHSB.
 - A player's penalties in minutes as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's discipline record as verified by UHSB and UAHA Discipline Committees or other discipline body or public safety authority.
- 38.6.3 Subjective criteria that will be used to evaluate candidates includes the following:
- Nomination narrative submitted by the head coach, trustee or other supporting documents submitted as part of the candidate's nomination.
 - Answers to questions provided as part of the online nomination for the Robinson MVP award.

- The Scholarship and Awards Committee may reach out to the persons submitting nominations for more information or clarification.
- 38.6.4 The UHSB Board of Trustees may, at their discretion, impose additional criteria for the Scholarship and Awards committee to consider.
- 38.6.5 All candidates must be held to the same criteria.

38.7 Method of Selection

- 38.7.1 The Scholarship and Awards Committee shall apply objective criteria to all candidates. This process is intended to reduce the field of finalists to five or six players based purely on objective criteria including completeness of requested information, timeliness of the nomination, lack of letters of recommendation, serious penalties accrued during the season, player statistics, etc.
- 38.7.2 After identifying the top 5-6 candidates, an intensive review of the nominations shall be conducted by the Scholarship and Awards Committee. The decision may be primarily subjective from this point forward.

38.8 What must be considered in the Selection Process

- 38.8.1 In making its selections, the Scholarship and Awards committee must consider a player's skill level. The skill level is defined as the player's performance based on
- game statistics and
 - the nomination narrative that describes how the player applies their skill in the game, with the team and against various opponents.
- 38.8.2 This award is for the most skilled UHSB player. To break a tie, other criteria may be used if the committee determines that two or more candidates are equally skilled.
- 38.8.2.1 For example, if two players are equally skilled and one is a 12th grader and one is an 11th grader, the committee may choose to award the older player.
- 38.8.2.2 In the event a finalist is a 9th or 10th grader who is equally skilled to an older player, the committee may seek additional input from the trustee and head coach to help identify a distinction between the candidates.
- 38.8.2.3 The committee reserves the right to solicit character references from other players on the finalist's team to assist when there is a tie in committee voting.

39 TIM HIXSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

39.1 History/Purpose

- 39.1.1 The “Tim Hixson Memorial Scholarship” Awards include honors and cash scholarships awarded each year to the UHSB defenseman and the UHSB goaltender/forward selected as the most well rounded UHSB participants by the scholarship and awards committee.
- 39.1.2 The awards were established by Ray and Vivian Hixson in memory of their son Tim who was killed by a drunk driver in Salt Lake City in 1982.

39.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- 39.2.1 All 12th grade high school participants registered as members of UHSB, prior to December 31 of the current season, who submit a complete application, shall be considered. Fifth-year seniors are not eligible. Graduated players are not eligible.
- 39.2.2 Candidates must apply for the award at the position he/she played for during the majority of games of the current season
- 39.2.3 The trustee of each applicant must submit a nomination for applicants under their jurisdiction.

39.3 Cash Award

- 39.3.1 A trust account has been established at a local Utah financial entity. Eighty percent (80%) of the interest earned each year from this trust account will be distributed equally, (subject to some use restrictions), to the educational institution identified by each winning candidate, in the form of a scholarship. The scholarship award shall be sent to any higher center of education or bona fide educational center for teaching a trade.

39.4 Trophies

- 39.4.1 In addition to a cash scholarship, each winning candidate will receive a personal plaque as well and have his/her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case.

39.5 Candidate Selection Criteria

- 39.5.1 The scholarship and awards committee shall review the UHSB hockey history of each candidate. Gross misconduct penalties, match penalties and/or fighting penalties may be used by the committee to exclude players from consideration but it is not required that this criterion be used.
- 39.5.2 Other objective criteria may be used to “short-list” potential candidates as the scholarship and awards committee sees fit.
- 39.5.3 All candidates must be held to the same criteria.

39.6 Application

- 39.6.1 Each program trustee is responsible for notifying their team’s eligible players about the scholarship. The scholarship application shall be posted on the UHSB website.
- 39.6.2 All applications must be submitted before the 15th of January of the current season.

- 39.6.3 The application form must be completed in its entirety by the candidate. Failure to answer all questions may be the sole grounds for elimination of a candidate. Failure to submit transcripts or letters of recommendation, in a timely manner is grounds for elimination.

39.7

Scholarship Administration

- 39.7.1 The scholarship shall be administered by the UHSB Treasurer and the financial institution which controls the Hixson Trust. Distributions shall be facilitated by the UHSB Treasurer and issued to the educational institution.

39.8 Scholarship Use Restriction

- 39.8.1 The scholarship funds may be used for pursuing any higher education degree or trade school certification. Room & board, tuition, school fees, lab fees, etc., are accepted expenses. Transportation to and from school, phone calls, computer equipment, social fraternity/sorority fees, etc., are not accepted expenses. Trade schools may include any legitimate school providing training in a trade. This may include pilots license, truck driving school, heavy machinery operation school, beauty school, etc.
- 39.8.2 If questions arise as to the legitimacy of the academic or trade school, the final determination as to whether the school meets the definition of an academic school or trade school as implied in the award shall be resolved by the UHSB board of trustees.
- 39.8.3 The funds shall be distributed directly to the school. At no time is the recipient to have funds distributed directly to him/her.
- 39.8.4 The funds shall be distributed up to 5 years from the date of the award. Unused funds after that period shall be forfeited back to the Trust. If funds are distributed and the award winner fails to complete the course for which the funds were intended the funds shall be returned by the educational institution to the Trust.
- 39.8.5 The Trust fund does not pay taxes on the distribution. Payment of all taxes shall be the responsibility of the recipient.

39.9 Scholarship & Awards Committee Membership & Voting

- 39.9.1 The scholarship and awards committee shall be comprised of a minimum of 3 members including a chairperson. More members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest.
- 39.9.2 The chairperson may not vote except to break a tie or if another member has a conflict of interest.
- 39.9.3 The committee chairperson must be a trustee, but other volunteers can be appointed by the committee chairperson. All committee members must be members in good standing of the UHSB board of trustees.

39.10 Method of Selection

- 39.10.1 The scholarship and awards committee shall short list candidates to five or six based purely on some form of objective criteria including neatness of submittals, answers to questions, lack of requested information, lack of letters of recommendation, serious penalties, late submissions, etc. The committee reserves the right to interview more than 5-6 candidates.

39.10.2 After short listing the candidates, in-person interviews and intensive review of the applications shall be conducted. The decision shall be generally subjective at this time.

39.11 What May Not be Considered in the Selection Process

39.11.1 In making its selections, the scholarship and awards committee may not consider a players skill level. This award is for the most well-rounded 12th grade player who also happens to play ice hockey. Skill may not be factored into the decision.

40 GARY JONES MEMORIAL COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

40.1 History/Purpose

- 40.1.1 UHSB shall establish an award for the coach of the year, from each varsity division, in memory of Gary Jones.
- 40.1.2 The UHSB Coach of the Year Award was renamed after Gary Jones for his contribution to hockey in Utah.

40.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- 40.2.1 Only varsity head coaches shall be eligible for this award.
- 40.2.2 Names of potential candidates may be submitted by any person, by completing the application on the UHSB website.
- 40.2.3 A determination shall be made based on objective criteria such as team won-loss record, least penalized team, etc., as well as subjective criteria such as team demeanor, team attitude, team on-ice behavior, team neatness, etc. These criteria shall apply to all nominees and may not be selectively applied.
- 40.2.4 UHSB prohibits co-head coaches so no two coaches from the same program can be selected.
- 40.2.5 The awards committee shall facilitate voting among the UHSB varsity head coaches for the current year for the purpose of selecting the UHSB Coach of the Year recipient. Ranked-choice voting may be used to avoid a tie. If the voting methodology used ends in a tie, the chairperson will break the tie. Should the chairperson have a conflict of interest, another member of the committee shall cast the vote to break the tie. The committee shall determine which member shall cast the tie breaking vote. This will give the committee member two votes.

40.3 Trophies

- 40.3.1 A. Each winning candidate will receive a personal trophy as well as have his/her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case.

40.4 Eligibility

- 40.4.1 To be eligible, a nominee must meet the following requirements:
 - be registered and in good standing with UHSB and USA Hockey
 - be listed as head coach on the official USA Hockey registration form for a UHSB varsity team.
 - have coached from the bench a minimum of 75% of the scheduled varsity games, for the team from which he/she is nominated.
 - be registered with USA Hockey as a “head coach” for a UHSB varsity team.
 - nomination has been submitted by the nomination deadline established by the UHSB Awards Committee.

40.5 Application

- 40.5.1 Any person who is a member of UHSB may nominate a coach for this award by completing the nomination form on the UHSB website.
- 40.5.2 All nomination forms must be submitted no later than the 15th of January.
- 40.5.3 The nomination form must be completed in its entirety. Failure to answer all questions may be the sole grounds for elimination as a candidate.

40.6 Scholarship & Awards Committee Membership & Voting

- 40.6.1 The scholarship and awards committee shall be comprised of a minimum of 3 members including a chairperson. More members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest.

41 GARY JONES MEMORIAL COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

41.1 Nomination and Voting

- 41.1.1 A slate of nominated candidates will be provided to each UHSB head coach. Each UHSB head coach, from the current season, is eligible to submit one vote for a candidate. Only coaches on the slate of candidates, provided by the scholarship and awards committee, are eligible candidates for this award.
- 41.1.2 If voting ends in a tie, the chairperson will break the tie. Should the chairperson have a conflict of interest, another member of the committee shall cast the vote to break the tie. The committee shall determine which member shall cast the tie breaking vote. This will give the committee member two votes.
- 41.1.3 The committee chairperson must be a trustee, but other volunteers can be members of this committee. All committee members must be in good standing with the UHSB board of trustees.

42 “ART TEECE” LADY MVP AWARD

42.1 Purpose and History

- 42.1.1 The Utah Grizzlies and Utah High School Hockey established this award to recognize a female high school hockey player. The honor is designated this as the “Art Teece Lady MVP Award”.
- 42.1.2 The late-Art Teece is well known for pioneering professional sports in Utah including hockey. Teece believed in the value that sports brought to participants and reminded athletes of the importance of their contributions to their community. Administrators, owners and athletes of all sports held him in high regard. His hockey teams won two league championships in the 1970s and 1980s. He was highly respected as a sports executive. He was a determined business owner while always being a nice guy and gentleman who treated everyone with respect. Teece played an important role that paved the way for the first NHL team in Utah.

42.2 Candidate Eligibility

- 42.2.1 All female UHSB participants properly registered as UHSB members prior during the current season and who fulfill the following conditions:
- the candidate’s UHSB registration is properly completed by December 31 of the current season and,
 - the candidate is rostered and participating in games on a UHSB team during the current season and,
 - The candidate has accrued game statistics as reflected in the UHSB game stats recognized by UHSB (for example, UHSB website stats, MyHockeyRankings, GameSheet, Inc. or similar) and those statistics are available to the awards committee for evaluation purposes.
 - are nominated by their respective head coaches or trustee using the UHSB online nomination submission tool.
- 42.2.2 Eligible candidates are those who meet the criteria in section herein regardless of year in school.
- 42.2.3 Candidates may be eliminated based on playing record, penalty infractions, suspensions, conduct or for an incomplete nomination submission.
- 42.2.4 The awards committee may impose additional criteria but must apply such criteria equally across the candidates.

42.3 Cash Award

- 42.3.1 No Cash award for the Art Teece “Lady” MVP Award

42.4 Trophies

- 42.4.1 The winning candidate will receive a personal plaque as well as have his/her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case.

42.5 Nominations

- 42.5.1 Each program trustee or head coach is responsible for nominating their team's eligible players for the Art Teece "Lady" MVP award, by completing the online nomination located on the UHSB website.
- 42.5.2 All nominations must be submitted no later than January 15.
- 42.5.3 The online nomination form must be completed in its entirety by the trustee or head coach. Failure to answer all questions, on the online nomination form, may be the sole grounds for elimination as a candidate.
- 42.5.4 The UHSB Executive Committee will be provided with the list of nominated candidates for the purpose of review. The UHSB Executive Committee reserves the right to eliminate candidates but must apply the elimination criteria equally to all candidates for this award.

42.6 Candidate Selection Criteria

- 42.6.1 In reaching a consensus of finalists, the Scholarship and Awards committee shall review the UHSB history of each candidate. Criteria herein shall be considered during the selection phase.
- 42.6.2 Other objective criteria to be used to evaluate candidates may include the following:
 - A player whose status indicates graduation during the season.
 - A player who did not participate in a full UHSB hockey season.
 - A player's goals earned in their division as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's assists earned their division as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's game winning goals statistics as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's point accumulation during the season as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's other player game statistics gathered by UHSB.
 - A player's penalties in minutes as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's discipline record as verified by UHSB and UAHA Discipline Committees or other discipline body or public safety authority.
- 42.6.3 Subjective criteria that will be used to evaluate candidates:
 - 42.6.3.1 Nomination narrative submitted by the head coach, trustee or other supporting documents submitted as part of the candidate's nomination.
 - 42.6.3.2 Answers to questions provided as part of the online nomination for the Teece "Lady" MVP award.
 - 42.6.3.3 The Scholarship and Awards Committee may reach out to the persons submitting nominations for more information or for clarification.
- 42.6.4 The UHSB Board of Trustees may, at their discretion, impose additional criteria for the Scholarship and Awards committee to consider. The awards committee may choose, at their discretion, to award more than one female for this honor. In those cases, the awards will read as co-MVPs on plaques and other notices.

42.6.5 . All candidates must be held to the same criteria.

42.7 Method of Selection

- 42.7.1 The Scholarship and Awards Committee shall apply objective criteria to all candidates. This process is intended to reduce the field of finalists to five or six players based purely on objective criteria including completeness of requested information, timeliness of the nomination, penalties accrued, discipline issued during the player's history with UHSB, player statistics, etc.
- 42.7.2 After identifying the final slate of eligible candidates, an intensive review of the nominations shall be conducted by the Scholarship and Awards Committee. The decision may be primarily subjective from this point forward.

42.8 What must be considered in the Selection Process

- 42.8.1 In making its selections, the Scholarship and Awards committee must consider a player's skill level. The skill level is defined as the player's performance based on
- UHSB game statistics and
 - the nomination narrative that describes how the player applies their skill in the game, with their team and against various opponents.
- 42.8.2 This award is for the most skilled female UHSB player. Other criteria may be considered if the committee determines that two or more candidates are equally skilled.
- 42.8.2.1 For example, if two players are equally skilled and one is a 12th grader and one is an 11th grader, the committee may choose to award the older player.
- 42.8.2.2 In the event a finalist is a 9th or 10th grader who is equally skilled to an older player, the committee may seek additional input from the trustee and head coach to help identify a distinction between the candidates.
- 42.8.2.3 The committee reserves the right to solicit character references from other players, coaches, etc., on the to assist when there is a tie in committee voting.

43 Dave Brown Volunteer of the Year Award

43.1 History/Purpose

- 43.1.1 UHSB shall establish an award for the volunteer of the year in memory of Dave Brown.
- 43.1.2 The UHSB Volunteer of the Year Award was established after the passing of Dave Brown, for his contribution to hockey in Utah. Dave was a Murray High Hockey program trustee. He lost his life while volunteering his time with a hockey program.

43.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- 43.2.1 Volunteers for outstanding contribution and dedication to UHSB shall be eligible for this award.
- 43.2.2 Names of potential candidates may be submitted by any person by completing the application on the UHSB website.

43.3 Trophies

- 43.3.1 The winning candidate will receive a personal plaque. His/her name will be inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case.

43.4 Eligibility

- 43.4.1 To be eligible, a nominee must be registered and in good standing with UHSB and USA Hockey.

43.5 Application

- 43.5.1 Any person who is a member of UHSB may nominate a volunteer for this award by completing the nomination application on the UHSB website.
- 43.5.2 All nominations must be submitted before January 15.
- 43.5.3 The nomination form must be completed in its entirety ~~by the candidate~~. Failure to answer all questions may be the sole grounds for elimination ~~as~~ of a candidate.

43.6 Scholarship & Awards Committee Membership & Voting

- 43.6.1 The scholarship and awards committee shall be comprised of a minimum of 3 members including a chairperson. More members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest.
- 43.6.2 The chairperson may not vote except to break a tie or if another member has a conflict of interest.
- 43.6.3 The committee chairperson must be a trustee, but other volunteers can be members. All committee members must be members in good standing with the UHSB board of trustees.

44 GOALIE OF THE YEAR AWARD

44.1 History/Purpose

- 44.1.1 The “UHSB Goalie of the Year” award is given to the league’s most valuable and skilled goalie.
- 44.1.2 The award will be given to one goalie each season.
- 44.1.3 The award was established during the 2022-23 season.

44.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- 44.2.1 All UHSB varsity goalies, registered as members of UHSB, prior to the 31st of December of the current season and are nominated by a current trustee, shall be eligible for this award regardless of year in school and per other eligibility criteria herein.
- 44.2.2 Varsity goalies must be on the team’s official USAH 1-T roster, for a UHSB varsity team, during the season they are being nominated.
- 44.2.3 Eligible goalies must have played 85% of their game time in the goaltending position.
- 44.2.4 Nominations will be accepted via the UHSB Awards page located on the UHSB website.
- 44.2.5 Candidates may be eliminated based on playing record or penalty infractions, disciplinary record or violations of USA Hockey rules, regulations, codes of conduct violations, school-related infractions, withdrawal from school, player ineligibility as deemed by a hockey governing entity or for an incomplete nomination submission.
 - 44.2.5.1 For example, a goalie may be eliminated if their UHSB game penalties are deemed excessive relative to other goalies that season. Excessive penalties could be defined as when a goalie’s PIM exceed the average PIMs for the season, for a goalie.
 - 44.2.5.2 A goalie may be eliminated if they type of penalties accrued include game misconducts, game ejections, game suspensions.
 - 44.2.5.3 A goalie may be eliminated for USAH zero tolerance infractions.
 - 44.2.5.4 A goalie may be eliminated for violation of conduct standards including discipline assessed to the goalie by any hockey governing entity (USAH, UAHA, RMD, UHSB, hockey facility or other Utah hockey entity.
 - 44.2.5.5 The Awards Committee may include other criteria for elimination but must apply such criteria to all candidates during the review, ranking, elimination, and the final selection stages.

44.3 Cash Award

- 44.3.1 No Cash Award for the UHSB Goalie of the Year Recipient.
 - A goalie’s “Save Percentage” as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A goalie’s penalties in minutes as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A goalie’s discipline record as verified by UHSB and UAHA Discipline Committees or other discipline body or public safety authority.
- 44.3.2 Subjective criteria that will be used to evaluate candidates:

- 44.3.2.1 Nomination narrative submitted by the trustee and/or other supporting documents submitted as part of the candidate's nomination.
 - 44.3.2.2 Answers to questions provided as part of the online nomination for the UHSB Goalie of the Year award.
 - 44.3.2.3 The Scholarship and Awards Committee may reach out to the trustee submitting the nomination, the trustee of the candidate, the goalie's UHSB head coach or others for more information or clarification.
- 44.3.3 The UHSB Board of Trustees may, at their discretion, impose additional criteria for the Scholarship and Awards committee to consider.
- 44.3.4 All candidate evaluations shall be held to the same criteria.

44.4 Method of Selection

- 44.4.1 The Scholarship and Awards Committee shall first apply objective criteria to all candidates. This process is intended to reduce the field of finalists to five or six goalies based on objective criteria including a player's UHSB game statistics, completeness of requested information, timeliness of the nomination, documented history of penalties accrued during the season, other infractions and other UHSB data, previous season disciplinary data may be used, etc.
- 44.4.2 After identifying the top 5-6 candidates, the UHSB Scholarship and Awards Committee shall engage in an intensive review of the finalists. The decision may be primarily subjective from this point forward.

44.5 Considerations for Selection Process

- 44.5.1 In making its selections, the Scholarship and Awards Committee must consider a goalie's skill level. The skill level is defined as the goalie's performance based on game statistics and the nomination narrative that describes how the goalie applies their skill in the game, with the team and against various opponents.
- 44.5.2 This award is for the most skilled and valuable UHSB goalie. Other criteria may be applied if the committee determines that two or more candidates are equally skilled.
- 44.5.2.1 For example, if two goalies are equally skilled and one is a 12th grader and one is an 11th grader, the committee may choose to award the player in the higher academic grade.
 - 44.5.2.2 b) In the event a finalist is a 9th or 10th grader who is equally skilled to an older goalie, the committee may seek additional input from the trustee and head coach to help identify a distinction between the candidates.
- 44.5.3 The committee reserves the right to solicit character references from other UHSB participants, coaches, and trustees to assist when there is a tie in committee voting.

45 UHSB DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

45.1 History/Purpose

- 45.1.1 The “UHSB Defensive Player of the Year” award is given to the league’s most valuable and skilled defensive player for the current season.
- 45.1.2 The award will be given to one player each season.
- 45.1.3 The award was established during the 2022-23 season.

45.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- 45.2.1 All UHSB varsity players, registered as members of UHSB, prior to the 31st of December 31 of the current season and are nominated by a current trustee, shall be eligible for this award regardless of year in school.
- 45.2.2 Varsity players must be on the team’s official USAH 1-T roster, for a UHSB varsity team, during the season they are being nominated.
- 45.2.3 Nominations will be accepted via the UHSB Awards page located on the UHSB website. Candidates may be eliminated based on playing record or penalty infractions, disciplinary record or violations of USA Hockey rules, regulations, codes of conduct, school-related infractions, withdrawal from school, player ineligibility as deemed by a hockey governing entity or for an incomplete nomination submission.
- 45.2.4 For example, a player may be eliminated if their game penalties, as noted in their UHSB statistical record, for the current season, is deemed excessive relative to other players that season. Excessive penalties could be defined as when a player’s PIM exceed the average PIMs for the season, for players in their division of play.
- 45.2.5 A player may be eliminated if they type of penalties accrued include game misconducts, game ejections, game suspensions.
 - 45.2.5.1 A player may be eliminated for USAH zero tolerance infractions. A player may be eliminated for violation of other conduct standards including discipline assessed to the player by any hockey governing entity (USAH, UAHA, RMD, UHSB, hockey facility or other Utah hockey entity).
 - 45.2.5.2 The Awards Committee may include other criteria for elimination but must apply such criteria to all candidates during the review, ranking, elimination of candidates and during the final selection stages.

45.3 Cash Award

- 45.3.1 No Cash Award for the UHSB Defensive Player of the Year Recipient.

45.4 Trophies

- 45.4.1 The winning candidate will receive a personal plaque as well as have his/her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case.

45.5 Nominations

- 45.5.1 Each UHSB program will be allowed to nominate one candidate, each season, for the Defensive Player of the Year award. UHSB programs may submit a nomination from among their current USA Hockey varsity 1-T Roster members, or they may nominate a player from another team. However, each UHSB program is limited to one nomination for the UHSB Defensive Player of the Year, each season.
- 45.5.2 Only players participating in the current season are eligible for consideration for the Defensive Player of the Year award.
- 45.5.3 The program's trustee or head coach may submit a nomination. It is the expectation that each UHSB Trustee will consult with their head coach to determine which player they will nominate, if any.
- 45.5.4 All nominations must be submitted by the deadline published on the Awards page section of the UHSB official website.
- 45.5.5 The nomination form must be completed in its entirety. ~~by the trustee.~~ Failure to answer all nomination questions, during the online nomination process, may be the sole grounds for elimination of the candidate.
- 45.5.6 The UHSB Executive Committee will be provided with the list of nominated candidates for the purpose of review. The UHSB Executive Committee reserves the right to eliminate candidates but must apply the determination criteria equally to all candidates.

45.6 Candidate Selection Criteria

- 45.6.1 In reaching a consensus of finalists, the Scholarship and Awards committee shall review the UHSB hockey playing record and behavioral history of each candidate. Criteria from section 45.2 shall be considered during the selection process. The committee may reach out to the head coach, the team trustee, or others for additional information.
- 45.6.2 Other objective criteria to be used to evaluate and rank candidates may include the following:
- A player whose status indicates that they graduated during the season.
 - A player who did not participate in a full UHSB hockey season.
 - A player's goals earned in their division as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's assists earned in their division as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's game winning goals statistics as documented in UHSB statistics.
 - A player's point accumulation during the season as documented in UHSB statistics per official scoresheets, Myhockeyrankings.com, GameSheet or similar statistical collection tools.
 - A player's penalties in minutes as documented in UHSB statistics. i) A player's discipline record as verified by UHSB and UAHA Discipline Committees or other discipline body or public safety authority.
- 45.6.3 Subjective criteria that will be used to evaluate candidates includes the following:
- 45.6.3.1 Nomination narrative submitted by the trustee or head coach, other supporting documents submitted as part of the nomination.

- 45.6.3.2 Answers to questions provided as part of the online nomination for the UHSB Defensive Player of the Year award. c) The Scholarship and Awards Committee may reach out to the trustee submitting the nomination, the trustee of the candidate, the player's head coach or others for more information or clarification.
- 45.6.4 The UHSB Board of Trustees may, at their discretion, impose additional criteria for the Scholarship and Awards committee to consider.
- 45.6.5 All candidates must be held to the same criteria.

45.7 Method of Selection

- 45.7.1 The Scholarship and Awards Committee shall apply objective criteria to all candidates. This process is intended to reduce the field of finalists to five or six players based on objective criteria including a player's UHSB game statistics, completeness of requested information, timeliness of the nomination, documented history of penalties accrued during the season, other infractions and other UHSB data, etc.
- 45.7.2 After identifying the top 5-6 candidates, the UHSB Scholarship and Awards Committee shall engage in an intensive review of the finalists. The decision may be primarily subjective from this point forward.

45.8 What must be considered in the Selection Process

- 45.8.1 In making its selections, the Scholarship and Awards Committee must consider a player's skill level. The skill level is defined as the player's performance based on game statistics and the nomination narrative that describes how the player applies their skill in the game, with the team and against various opponents.
- 45.8.2 This award is for the most skilled and valuable UHSB defensive player. Other criteria may be applied if the committee determines that two or more candidates are equally skilled.
 - 45.8.2.1 For example, if two players are equally skilled and one is a 12th grader and one is an 11th grader, the committee may choose to award the player in the higher academic grade.
 - 45.8.2.2 In the event a finalist is a 9th or 10th grader who is equally skilled to an older player, the committee may seek additional input from the trustee and head coach to help identify a distinction between the candidates.
 - 45.8.2.3 The committee reserves the right to solicit character references from other UHSB players, coaches, and trustees to assist when there is a tie in committee voting.

46 OTHER UHSB AWARDS

46.1 Other Awards

- 46.1.1 UHSB may establish other awards to recognize teams, programs or individuals, to recognize behavior, achievements, or milestones.
- 46.1.2 The “Joe Rogers Memorial” trophy shall be awarded to the winner of the final championship game of the top affiliated division. This trophy may be presented to the UHSB Varsity state champion at the conclusion of the state championship game. It is a “Perpetual” trophy and must be returned to UHSB immediately after the completion of the final playoff game. It shall be on display in the UHSB trophy case located at the South Davis Recreation Center facility in Bountiful, Utah. A second trophy shall be awarded for the same achievement which shall remain the property of the UHSB State Championship winning team.
- 46.1.3 Trophies will be awarded to the top finishing teams in each varsity division in which a championship game is conducted. (Awarding of individual player trophies, medals, caps or other memorabilia shall be at the discretion of the board of trustees).

Forms & Revision History

47 Utah High School Hockey Forms & Location

- 47.1.1 Injury Report UHSB website - **archived**
- 47.1.2 Travel Authorization UHSB website - **archived**
- 47.1.3 Consent to Treat and Travel UHSB website – in UHSB Registration, part of NBT Book, on USAH website > Resources
- 47.1.4 Out-of-State Travel Team Rules and Regulations UHSB website - **archived**
- 47.1.5 Freshman (9th Grader) Letter of Commitment - **archived**
- 47.1.6 UHSB registration process Travel Authorization - archived
- 47.1.7 UAHA Out of State Travel Permit – UHSB and UAHA websites



48 UHSB P&P Revision History



Rev	Date	Approved By	Remarks
00	04/12/2016	UHSB Board of Trustees	Policies and Procedures were sent to all trustees prior to April's meeting for review. P&P's reorganized and updated to include table of contents, player eligibility approved, awards that were previously not included, three division formats.
01	06/07/2016	UHSB Board of Trustees	A motion in May meeting and voted on in June for the following: First. Remove from the P&P's section 27.2.A, 2 "The State Champion of Division II will be required to go to Division I the following season regardless of their upcoming team's composition." Second. Change periods in a varsity game from fifteen (15) to sixteen (16) minutes. This will better utilize the current ice time and closer reflect the playing time of Nationals.
02	10/11/2016	UHSB Board of Trustees	A motion in September meeting and voted on in October for the following: Add Section 7.2.B All trustees' participation in the monthly board of trustees meeting was inserted.
03	12/13/2016	UHSB Board of Trustees	A motion in November meeting and voted on in December for the following: Change Section 44.4.B to change the all-star selection committee to the scholarship and awards committee.
04	No Record		



05	08/01/2017	UHSB Board of Trustees	A motion was made in the April 2017 meeting and voted on in the May meeting for the following: Change Section 30.3 to eliminate curfew in certain playoff games Amend dates in Section 27.2 to one month earlier to allow for efficient production of season schedule. A motion made in the June meeting and voted on in the July meeting to: Amend Section 18.9 to establish procedures for the goaltender pool Add Section 28.8 to deal with weather related game postponements.
06	4/10/2018	UHSB Board of Trustees	Section 18.1(D) added to state: D. A player must register and be added to the roster of the team prior to the date which the Utah Amateur Hockey Association determines that rosters are frozen for that season.
07	6/15/2018	UHSB Board of Trustees	Section 18.3 was changed to modify JV eligibility. Section 27 was amended to make stylistic changes and add provision for preseason games.
08	7/10/2018	UHSB Board of Trustees	Section 27.7 was added to include a Division II for JV
09	8/18/2018	UHSB Board of Trustees	Section 18.9 was changed to add sections I and J and make revisions to F
10	10/17/2018	UHSB Board of Trustees	Section 28.3 was changed a few years ago to reflect 13 minute periods for JV games.
11	6/1/2019	UHSB Board of Trustees	9.2 edited to add provision for failure to pay invoices, 46.0 amended to make stylistic changes. 18.13 amended to note Girls on travel teams eligible to play JV during all grades. 42.4 and 42.5 amended to reflect selection of All-Stars.
12	6/14/2019	UHSB Board of Trustees	Added 28.9, 28.10 and 23.5



13	7/20/2019	UHSB Board of Trustees	Eliminated 27.7 (JV Division II); amended 27.2 to allow 3 Tier players plus goalies in D2;
14	9/8/2019	UHSB Board of Trustees	27.5 amended to allow self-selection of D2 teams and review Team Evaluation Committee, 18.13 to allow freshmen to play regardless of Tier status, 34.2 amended to make fighting revisions.
15	11/13/2020	UHSB Board of Trustees	27.6 amended, 28.2 amended to reflect procedure for forfeiture of a game, eliminated 28.9 (Run Time)
16	11/X/2020	UHSB Board of Trustees	18.12 and 18.13 amended to reflect discipline for eligibility violations, 31.1 amended to add volunteer requirement, 18.11, 27.7, 38.1, 44.6 and 50.1 amended to clarify committee memberships
17	2/5/2021	UHSB Board of Trustees	27.2 amended
18	No Record		
19	No Record		
20	No Record		
21	No Record		
22	08/11/2026	UHSB Board of Trustees	Major revision including eligibility tables, UABA dual roster restrictions, increases to fines to account for inflation, Substitute goalie policies, roster minimums, etc.

