

# FutureBlues

## U8 Developmental Hockey League



One Goal - One Kid at a Time

Winter League **2022**

### Scope

**Players born from 1/1/2013 to 12/31/2016** are invited to join the best developmental hockey league in the country. We will be following the USA Hockey Athletic Development Model (ADM) to provide the best possible experience for your up and coming hockey player. At ages 6-8 years old, our objective for physical development is to refine fundamental movement skills and begin to acquire basic sports skills. This is the time when the foundation is laid for future acquisition of more advanced skills. As far as psychological development goes, we will be focusing on providing FUN, motivating practices and games, developing reasoning skills through unstructured competition, building confidence by creating competitive groups which will allow for a high rate of success and promoting individual and group participation as well as introducing the participants to simple rules and sports ethics (fair play).

### Facility

**The Edge Ice Arena** is owned and operated by the Village of Bensenville. We pride ourselves on providing a clean, safe and well-maintained family friendly facility.

735 East Jefferson Street, Bensenville, IL 60106  
545 John Street, Bensenville, IL 60106

### Did you know?

**FutureBlues Program Develops: Skills, Self-Confidence, Determination, Perseverance and Teamwork**

### What does it cost?

The cost to join the league is **\$266**.

Please register for this program on [chicagoblueshockey.org](http://chicagoblueshockey.org).

No walk-in registration will be accepted.

The Chicago Blues is a non-profit youth hockey organization.

### Format

Practices will be split into 4 groups based on ability. We recognize that each player is unique and develops at a different rate. By creating parity within each group, we feel we can better serve the needs of each player on a more individualized basis. Players will have more fun practicing at their own level and coaches are able to create a competitive atmosphere in both games and practices. Games will consist of half ice games with the new hard board system splitting the ice in two. Competitive matching will be the rule to create parity amongst teams. By splitting the ice into two we will be creating more opportunity for each young player to get involved in the game and thus use their skating, puck-handling, agility, and shooting on a more frequent basis. For maximum development, we recommend registering for Wednesday pre-hockey to add more repetitions in skills training.

### Registration & Session Schedule

#### Saturdays & Sundays

Jan. 2, 2022 – Mar. 20, 2022

See Schedule for Times

- Registration is on a first come, first serve basis, as space is limited.
- All participants must register at least one week prior to the start of the session.

### Want more info?

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