

“No skipping hockey for in-season sports anymore”

Exceptional 3 on 3 “Bubble Kid” Hockey Leagues Since 2004

*** It's ESP's “Combined Spring / Fall” Girls Bubble “10” U8 League**

Who: More than a decade ago, ESP Hockey became the true champions of fringe players. Our 2016 3 on 3 “Bubble Kid Hockey Leagues” will feature for the second year a level for athletes who last winter were **Solid U8 players on their winter club teams and who aspire to become impact players at U10 next winter...** Early move up U8's who played U10 along with true U10 first year **role players** especially players newer to the game who are looking to leap ahead skill wise are also welcome to play which can help fill teams...

Where: The Cottage Grove Ice Arena – Studio Rink... This is not some inferior split ice 3 on 3 “touch up deal”. The unique 130' x 65' fully enclosed ice sheet shown below is the real thing. It's the centerpiece of the developmentally superior venue that we've perfected over the past several years.



When: The league is split into **two seasons**. It's **six 1 hour games** in the spring commencing week 3 in April & ending week 3 in May. **The final six 1 hour games** for fall will begin week 3 in July & will end week 3 in September. Each team should expect 3 to 5 games starting at 5PM on varying weeknights & 7 to 9 games on weekend mornings or early afternoons as a typical game day mix. League approved player substitutions are allowed with signed waivers.

Why: 3 on 3 hockey creates quick hands, quick feet, and quick thinking. It also builds a more creative player & enhances ice vision & instincts. These are true separators between similarly skilled athletes. This is your player's chance to have their “Ah Ha” moment... Big ice 5 on 5, or even full size sheet 4 on 4 can't offer that?

What: We will look to field 4 or 5 teams per level from all parts of the metro. A few from out-state are likely as well. The teams will generally play each other two to four times over the entire year. We understand how to create team & player skill parody & are quite fanatical about it. Competitive games create additional developmental value. A tight range of player ability team by team creates numerous individual battles that either player can win. This creates **Elevated Skill Progression**. Our **Leapfrog Effect** is unmatched. The NHL has now gone to 3 on 3 in overtime & at the all-star game further showcasing 3 on 3's speed and excitement.

Cost: The team fee is **\$1590** (Less than \$14 per hour per player) based on the bare minimum 9 skaters & 1 goalie we'll allow. But we **strongly recommend 11 skaters and 1 goalie** so in season sports, and or summer vacation conflicts are covered with enough remaining players for at least 2 lines each game. The fee is just \$133 per player with 12 per team. The fee includes jerseys for all rostered players. **Either way, 3 on 3 games provide over 40% more player puck time than 5 on 5.** If you have a few players but can't field a full team, we'll work to place them on a team in need of players so they won't miss out on a unique hockey opportunity!!

Format: Full 1 hour games. 2 minute timed shifts. Penalty shots for rules violations. USA Hockey Referees.

Stature: The ESP Hockey “Bubble Kid” 3 on 3 leagues, 3 on 3 tournaments, & round robin events have hosted over 450 teams & over 4500 players since 2004. **Please visit our website at EspSelectHockey.com** to gain some additional valuable perspective. The NHL has certainly concluded 3 on 3 is a great game with the All-Star 3 on 3 Challenge and its new overtime format adopted during the 2015-16 season. If you believe your athlete can benefit from authentic 3 on 3 let your coach know right away as teams will fill up quickly...

*The 10 - U8 level is explained in detail as to player skill in a coach's only attachment that can be found on our website. The sheet's designed to assist coaches in building a competitive 3 on 3 team no matter what community they're from. If you received this brochure from your coach, your player is considered properly skilled to play at this level, regardless of what winter team he was placed on.

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