



Goalie Training

Provided by Coach Stan Dubicki,
Chicago Wolves Goaltending Coach
Once a week on the Studio Arena

Day: TBA
Time: TBA

Fee: No charge, included in goalie fee

**equipment available for younger ages to borrow*

Panther Spring Evaluation Schedule

Must already be registered for
Panther Spring League in order
to attend evaluations.

Level	Date/Time
Gold Mite	3/10, 5:50-6:50pm
Squirt	3/11, 6:10-7:10pm
Pee Wee	3/9, 6:55-7:55pm
Bantam	3/9, 8:05-9:05pm
Midget	3/9, 9:15-10:15pm

Pre-Season Power Skates

Fee: \$20

Focus on fundamentals &
techniques of skating without
the use of the puck.

Level	Date/Time
Gold Mite	Sunday, 3/15, 9:10-10:10am
Squirt	Sunday, 3/15, 10:20-11:20am
Pee Wee	Sunday, 3/15, 11:30am-12:30pm
Bantam & Midget	Sunday, 3/15, 11:40am-12:40pm

Questions?
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Park District of Franklin Park PANTHER SPRING HOCKEY 2026



Important Registration Information Enclosed

- Gold Mite thru Midget teams will compete in the Northwest Hockey Spring League and play 4 home games, 4 away games, plus playoffs.
- All teams will have at least 8-10 practices/skills sessions in addition to their game slots.
- Goalies will have an additional training once a week.
- Per NWHL rules, players coming from Central States Red, White & Blue are allowed. Players from Major/ Minor, CUHL, & AAA Girls not allowed. Only JV & low level Varsity High School players allowed at Bantam/ Midget.
- Reversible game jersey included (no socks)
- NO refunds once registered unless for medical injury
- Spots are limited! Do not wait to register!

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WELCOME!

The Park District of Franklin Park Ice Arena invites you to participate in the 2026 Panther Spring Hockey Program. The season will consist of at least 8-10 practices/skills sessions, eight games, and an end of season tournament for all levels. These teams will participate in the Northwest Hockey Spring League (NWHSL).

All Teams will be picked based on the rules and regulations of the Fall Northwest Hockey League. The draft procedure will be utilized when more than one team exists at the same level. Please do not hesitate with your registration since space will be limited.

We are offering Goalie Training this spring. We aim to get new kids trying goalie at the younger levels and continue to develop our current goaltenders. See the back of this brochure for training information.

We look forward to another exciting season of fun & development. Please contact our Hockey Director, Brandon Niedziela, at 847-671-4268, ext 218 or by email at bniedziela@fpparks.org if you have any questions regarding Panther Spring Hockey (PSH).

Important Dates to Remember:

- Registration begins Feb 17 & 18 (see next page for specifics)
- Player Evaluations: March 9-11 (see back page for schedule)
- Spring Season: March 16-May 31 (games March 27-May 8)
- Playoffs and tournament: May 15-17 & May 29-31

Checking Clinic, Fee \$40

Per NWHL rules, a 2 hour checking clinic is required for players new to the Bantam level. All Bantam/Midget level players are eligible to attend.

Friday, March 20
6:30-8:30pm

It's Easy to Register

1. Register in person or online at fpparks.org on appropriate date 9am-8pm.
2. Pay in full at time of registration or put down a deposit of \$150, with remaining balance automatically withdrawn on 4/1/26. Valid Visa/Mastercard/Discover /Amex number required if not paying in full.
3. Registration will be denied or withdrawn if a past due balance is owed.
4. NO refunds except for medical injury with physicians note.
5. Game/Practice schedule available once teams are drafted.
6. Proof of USA Hockey insurance required by anyone who *did not play for the Panthers in the 2025-26 Fall/Winter season*.
New players who did not already purchase insurance for the 2025-26 season **must** register online at www.membership.usahockey.com on 4/1 & provide confirmation # to Carla at cdeak@fpparks.org by 4/2 in order to continue to participate. Do not purchase insurance prior to 4/1 or it will expire in August.

Registration Dates

FP Residents: **February 17**

Returning Players from Fall/Winter 2025-26 Season (this includes Jr Panthers & current Panther Paws): **February 18**

Open Registration: **February 26**

If you do not meet the above criteria & register before 2/26, we reserve the right to withdraw your registration & will contact you to re-register 2/26

Players register for the level they will play in the Fall of 2026 according to the birth years shown below:

Gold Mites 7 & 8 years (born in 2018 & 2019) (2020 w/ approval)

–Skater ID \$425/OD \$475 –Goalie ID \$220/OD \$240

Squirts 9 & 10 years (born in 2016 & 2017)

–Skater ID \$440/OD \$500 –Goalie ID \$220/OD \$240

Peewees 11 & 12 years (born in 2014 & 2015)

–Skater ID \$440/OD \$500 –Goalie ID \$220/OD \$240

Bantams 13 & 14 years (born in 2012 & 2013)

–Skater ID \$465/OD \$540 –Goalie ID \$240/OD \$260

Midgets 15 thru 18 years (born in 2008-2011)

–Skater ID \$495/OD \$575 –Goalie ID \$260/OD \$280