



2026-27 Season Information

Registration Begins:

Date	Who May Register
July 23	In-District Skaters
July 24	2025-2026 Fall/Winter/Spring Panther Hockey Players and/or approved Jr Panthers
August 3	Open registration for new players who don't meet the above criteria *we reserve the right to withdraw your registration if registered prior to this date

- Panther Hockey registrations can be done online or in-person at the Ice Arena.
- A 2026-27 USA Hockey Insurance number is required in order to register. Go to membership.usahockey.com to register for insurance.
- A 20% deposit is required at time of registration.
- If paying a 20% deposit, you are required to leave a credit card on file which will automatically be charged 4 additional payments on 9/15, 10/15, 11/15 & 12/15.
- \$225 will be charged to anyone who cancels their registration after August 25. The only exception to this is for medical injuries. Physicians note required.

All Gold Mite thru Midget Panther Hockey teams are Tier III & participate in the Northwest Hockey League. Teams play a 20 game season, with 50% of games at Franklin Park and 50% at other area rinks. The Panther program also offers all-girl hockey teams who play in the Northern Illinois Hockey League (NIHL).

In-Person Registration Hours:

Thru July 31: Weekdays: 9am-8pm / Weekends: 8:30am-3:30pm

No in-person Aug 1 & 2. Starting August 3: Mon-Fri only, 9am-4pm

Online registration also available at fpparks.org



Important Dates:

Regular Practices Begin: September 14

Games Begin: Early October

Season Fees & Age Requirements:

Birth Year	Division	Fees
2018-2019	Gold Mite	Skater: \$1095 ID/\$1285 OD Goalie: \$300 ID/\$450 OD
2016-2017	Squirt	Skater: \$1325 ID/\$1520 OD Goalie: \$500 ID/\$650 OD
2014-2015	Pee Wee	Skater: \$1325 ID/\$1520 OD Goalie: \$500 ID/\$650 OD
2012-2013	Bantam	Skater: \$1325 ID/\$1520 OD Goalie: \$500 ID/\$650 OD
2008-2011	Midget	Skater: \$1380 ID/\$1580 OD Goalie: \$500 ID/\$650 OD

Fee includes: NWHL team & organization fees, referee fees, home & away jerseys, 2 pairs of socks, 1 practice + approx. 1 game per week and weekly goalie training (Goalies only). Additional ADM clinic ice slot will be offered. Most games are on weekends.

Pre-Season Skills Clinics Must be a registered Panther player to attend \$55 ID / \$65 OD

Division	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Gold Mite	9/1, 5:50-6:50pm	9/3, 5:50-6:50pm	9/4, 5:50-6:50pm
Squirt	8/31, 5:50-6:50pm	9/2, 6:10-7:10pm	9/4, 7:00-8:00pm
Pee Wee	8/31, 8:10-9:10pm	9/1, 7:00-8:00pm	9/3, 7:00-8:00pm
Bantam/Midget	9/1, 8:10-9:10pm	9/3, 8:10-9:10pm	9/4, 8:10-9:10pm

Evaluation Schedule: registered players are required to attend BOTH evaluations. We do not accept coaching requests, carpool requests, etc. If you believe you have a unique request that needs to be considered *before evaluations take place*, please contact our hockey director to discuss.

Division	Day 1	Day 2
Gold Mite	9/8, 5:50-6:50pm	9/12, 9:10-10:10am
Squirt	9/9, 6:10-7:10pm	9/12, 10:20-11:20am
Pee Wee	9/8, 8:10-9:10pm	9/11, 7:00-8:00pm* (<i>new time</i>)
Bantam	9/10, 7:40-8:40pm	9/12, 11:30am-12:30pm
Midget	9/10, 8:50-9:50pm	9/12, 12:40-1:40pm

Contact: Questions or concerns? Please contact our Hockey Director, Brandon Niedziela, bniedziela@fpparks.org or 847-671-4268, ext 218