



Important Program Updates for the 2026–27 Season

Dear MTMHA Families,

As we prepare for the upcoming season, we want to share several important updates that will help our association continue to offer a strong, development-focused hockey experience for all players. These decisions reflect recent direction from the OMHA, changes to surrounding centers, and our commitment to long-term planning in a rapidly evolving hockey landscape.

1. U9 Program Structure

The **OMHA** has mandated that **MTMHA** will operate one **U9 MD1** team for the upcoming season.

The remaining U9 team will participate in the **Four County Loop** and we will be sure to add the necessary teams as per registration.

2. Confirmed “B” Teams for 2026–27

MTMHA will operate:

- **U10 B** team, and
- **U16 B** team

These teams will run within our standard “B” programming structure and in a Shamrock B Loop.

3. U10, U11 and U16 Structure Update

MTMHA **will not operate a U10, U11 or U16 B2 team, or U10 or U16 Four County teams** as the Shamrock League and Four County League has confirmed it will not run these loop for the upcoming season.

All other divisional structures will remain unchanged.

We remain fully committed to offering **travel-style hockey** and strong development opportunities for every player.

4. Open Borders & Player Access

Starting this season, MTMHA **will not place restrictions on the number of incoming players** joining any of our teams.

Any player who chooses to join MTMHA will have **full access to our programs**.

This approach allows us to adapt to the ongoing changes in our region, where many nearby centres are:

- amalgamating,
- adjusting classifications, or
- restructuring their organizations.

Remaining open and flexible ensures MTMHA stays strong and sustainable in the evolving hockey landscape.

5. MTMHA Classification Status

MTMHA will remain classified as a **“B” centre for the 2026–27 season**.

We have reviewed the possibility of applying to move to an **“A” centre classification for 2027–28**; however, we are not prepared to take that step at this time. We will continue to evaluate the impact of open borders and review future classification options when more information becomes available.

Regardless of classification, **all players will continue to have access to travel-style hockey** focused on development, meaningful competition, and fostering a love of the game.

6. Player-Purchased Jersey Program

We are pleased to share that MTMHA will **continue with the required player-purchased jersey program for the upcoming season with no price increase.**

In celebration of our upcoming milestone, we are also exploring the creation of a **50th Anniversary Edition jersey**, which we look forward to sharing more details about soon.

7. Tryout Process

Please take a moment to review the **included document outlining the updated tryout process.** This resource provides important details regarding evaluations, schedules, procedures, and expectations for players and families.

We appreciate your continued support and involvement in Mooretown Minor Hockey. If you have any questions regarding these updates, please contact your division representative or an MTMHA executive member.

Sincerely,

Mooretown Minor Hockey Association