

Subject: 2026-27 MCHL Competition and Regional Format Update

Dear Parents,

The Metro Region Presidents would like to provide an update on the proposed competition structure and regional format for the 2026-27 season.

U11 MCHL Pilot

- A two-tier pilot model (Tier I and Tier II) is proposed for U11 only.
- Team placement will be based on pre-season evaluations, team strength, Association projections, and competitive balance.
- The pilot will be reviewed at the end of the season to determine future direction.

Regional Participation

- **U11 regionals:** All MCHL teams will participate in Regionals as their existing teams.
- **U13 and U15 regionals:** Regional participation will be through Select Teams formed specifically for regional competition.
 - Associations will determine the selection process, roster requirements, and evaluation criteria for U13 and U15 Select Teams.

Regional Tournaments

- All MCHL teams will have end of year playoffs within the MCHL.
- Year-end Regional tournaments will take place following Easter at metro-area arenas.
- Additional tournament details will be provided once finalized.

Thank you for your continued support of minor hockey.

Sincerely,

The Metro Region Presidents

