



The Hockey Puck



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Youth ICE Hockey Clinic

Begins – March 15, 2026

The Staten Island Ice Hockey Association (SIIHA) and the New York City Department of Youth & Community Development (DYCD) welcomes Staten Island children ages 5 through 17 to their beginner's ice hockey program. This program will take place at the Staten Island Skating Pavilion, 3080 Arthur Kill Road, on Sunday mornings, from 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM.

This beginner's clinic was made possible by New York City Council Discretionary funds which were obtained by Joseph Borelli, David Carr, and The Staten Island Delegation. The grant is being managed and administrated by the SIIHA through the DYCD for the children of our borough. The SIIHA solicited this grant to give Staten Island children the opportunity to enjoy this sport of ice hockey. Our goal is to teach children how to ice skate and learn the game.

THE SIIHA ICE HOCKEY CLINIC

Is a complete ice hockey learning experience, divided into three, distinct phases of instruction

Phase 1 - The Skating Clinic (March 15th – April 26th)

This is the longest and most crucial phase, focusing on skating only. Skills such as learn-to-skate, posture, balance, agility, and power skating are highlighted. Ice Hockey is not included.

Phase 2 - The Hockey Clinic (May 3rd - May 24th)

Skaters will receive group instruction and must skate to keep up within their group's training level without independent instruction. Instruction focuses on ice hockey: covering opposition, advanced skating, positional play, puck handling, passing, and shooting skills.

Phase 3 -The Game Clinic (June 14th)

Game strategy, team concepts and positional play.

SIIHA INSTRUCTORS

SIIHA/DYCD hockey clinic will be administered by President John Donohue and his administrated staff Treasurer Louis Fraser, and Secretary Jack Hellman, on ice activities will be supervised by our Program Director Louis Coluccio. His staff of experiences instructors are Steven Wiatrak, Michael Scahel, Christopher McMahon, Joseph DeFilippo, Justin Knudsn, Michael Siano, and James Vassallo. Parent Coordinator Danielle Coluccio. Web Manager John Donohue III. SIIHA lost at the WTC: Instructors, Nick Rossomundo, Michael Cammarata., Frank Esposito, & Carl Paralta.

Equipment

The SIIHA requires all children to wear a SIIHA clinic hockey jersey. Parents provided personal equipment: Hockey ice skates, helmet with a face mask (HECC approved), shin guards, mouthpiece, neck protector, elbow guards, and gloves, boys must wear a cup. Tape the skater's first name on the front and back of the helmet.

We have been in existence since 1973, and it has been our experience that a dollar spent on equipment is a dollar well spent. When a skater falls on the ice there is less of a chance of injury if equipment is worn. Children learning to skate fall constantly, equipment allows children to fall without fear of pain or injury. We do not supply any personal equipment to skaters.

A PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST BE PRESENT AT THE CHILDS 1ST APPEARANCE AT THE CLINIC/RINK AND INDICATE A PERSON RESPONSIBABLE FOR THE YOUTH WHEN ABSENT

A limited number of vacancies still exist, skaters will be assigned a color-coded Hockey Jersey and assigned to a skating group by age, ability, or the number of children enrolled. It will determine by group size and ice schedule.

4 Month - Clinic Schedule

March:	15th – 22nd – 29th (No Clinic)
April:	5th (No Clinic) 12th -19th – 26th
May:	3rd – 10th - 17th – 24th (31st No Clinic)
June:	7th (No Clinic), 14th (Last Clinic Day)