



FHBC U15 & U18 PROVINCIAL PROGRAM INFORMATION 2018

Version 1 - January 2018

Version 2 (March 2018)

Version 3 (May 2018)

For T2T & T2C Regional Program (2017-18) athletes & parents,

Below provides preliminary information on the 2018 Provincial Program for male and female U15 and U18 athletes. Three versions will be issued (dates above), providing updated information when it becomes available.

For further questions, please contact the [Athlete Program Manager](#).

***Important note – Spring Regional Tournament and Provincial Selections**

Provincial selections take place at the spring Regional Tournament. FHBC expects provincially-selected athletes to be available for training (30 hours from May to July) and the National Championship in Toronto (July). Athletes who know they are going to be away for the training block and/or the National Tournament must notify FHBC in advance of the spring Regional Tournament. Please contact us with any questions.

1. PROVINCIAL PROGRAM

- May 12 to July 8; 30 hours of training (includes on-field, fitness testing, and education)
- Based on a similar travel itinerary, the approximate levy per athlete is anticipated to be: **\$3500 per athlete**
- Levy covers 30 hours training (competition/education/fitness testing), honoraria (coach/manager), flights, accommodation, equipment, Kukri uniform, ground transportation (TBC), tournament entry, and more.
- Deposit of **\$1000** per athlete due by given deadline. Remainder of levy must be paid by **July**. A payment plan will be available.
- Does NOT include the cost of food

FAQ chart 1

FAQ	Response	Timeline
How many teams will be selected?	TBC. Multiple U15/U18 teams will attend Nationals. The number is subject to competitive depth and regional tournament performance.	April/May 2018 after Regional Tournaments
Will teams be selected based on regions again in 2018?	Yes. Teams will be selected to represent FHBC REGIONS: Mainland (Rams); Island (Stags); and all BC (Lions)	April/May 2018 after Regional Tournaments
What is the expectation of me (athlete) if I am selected?	Selected athletes will be expected to commit to 30 hours of training and attend/compete at the National Tournament. Athletes will be asked to confirm their commitment by signing an Athlete Agreement and submitting the deposit by the given deadline.	DEADLINES: U18: Friday, April 27 U15: Friday, May 18

2018 FHC National Championship Tournament – Under 15, Under 18, Under 23
University of Toronto, Ontario
July 12-22, 2018

- Chaperone to athlete ratio: 1 adult to 6 athletes
- Food budget: \$ tbc per day
- # of days away: tbc
- Itinerary (travel dates, practice day, tournament dates per age group): tbc

2. THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

FAQ	Response	Timeline
When is the tournament?	July 12-22. This includes all age groups (U15, 18, 23)	n/a

Where is the tournament?	University of Toronto, Ontario	May 2018
Will there be different start dates per age divisions?	TBC. Dependent upon the number of participating provinces and teams competing in the tournament.	TBC
How many days will my athlete compete?	TBC. Typically 5-6 days of competition.	n/a
Will there be a social event during the competition?	Yes. Details will be confirmed in 2018.	June 2018

2.1 FLIGHTS

FAQ	Response	Timeline
How will my athlete get to the airport on the departure date and home from the airport upon his/her return?	Parents are responsible for arranging transportation for their child between their home and the airport (on both departure and return dates). Carpooling is always encouraged and Team Managers will be able to help coordinate.	n/a
What are the flight details (date, time, airline, etc.)?	TBC. This is based on a number of factors, not limited to cost, the competition schedule, practice times, and the last day of competition for each age group.	TBC
Which BC airport will my athlete depart from?	Vancouver Island athletes: depart from Victoria International Airport (YYJ) Mainland athletes: depart from Vancouver International Airport (YVR) Interior athletes will travel to Vancouver to depart with their team from YVR. Specific travel arrangements will be made based on individual needs. Overnight billeting with teammates may be required.	n/a
Which Ontario airport will I arrive at?	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	n/a
Can parents fly with the team?	Yes, parents are welcome to book the same flights; however, travel arrangements must be managed independently. FHBC only manages flights for athletes, coaches, managers and support staff.	n/a
Can FHBC secure a special rate for parents to fly to Toronto?	Our travel partners at Flight Centre will be happy to assist FHBC parents in booking flights. Rates can be discussed with the travel agent.	n/a
Can parents apply personal travel points to pay for athlete flights?	No. Flights are booked in advance of selections in order to secure the required number of seats at an optimal rate.	n/a
Can my athlete change the date or time	No. it is mandatory for athletes to travel as a team on the departure flight from	n/a

of the outgoing flight from BC to Ontario?	BC to Ontario.	
Can my athlete change the date and/or time of the return flight from Ontario to BC?	Yes, athletes and families often extend their stay and change the return date to a later date, as long as it falls after the final day of competition and is within 7 days of the scheduled return flight. There may be cost implications associated with changing your ticket. Any changes and associated costs will be managed between the travel agent and parents.	n/a

Travel Agent: Ryan Phillips ryan.phillips@flightcentre.ca

2.2 GROUND TRANSPORTATION

*Ground transportation is **TBC**. It may include: airport transfers and/or tournament transportation. Please note that volunteer parent drivers may be required to help transport athletes between the tournament accommodation and the competition field.

2.3 ACCOMMODATION

FAQ	Response	Timeline
Where is the tournament accommodation?	TBC . It is anticipated that teams will stay in hotel accommodation as near as possible to the University of Toronto. Provisions for team accommodation are managed by the tournament host (Field Hockey Ontario).	May 2018
Can parents stay with the team?	Accommodation will be booked for athletes, coaches, managers and FHBC staff. If parents would like to book rooms at the same location, they may do so independently.	n/a
Can parents use personal points to pay for athlete accommodation?	No. Accommodation is booked in advance of selections in order to secure the required number of rooms at an optimal rate.	n/a

2.4 MEALS

FAQ	Response	Timeline
Is the cost of food included in the levy?	No. Team managers will collect cash from athletes to manage the budget and meal preparation each day.	n/a
Can I take my athlete out for meals away from the team, during competition?	Typically, teams must stay together for meals each day, however, there may be opportunities for athletes to join their family. This will be managed by the coaches and manager.	

3. OTHER IMPORTANT INFO!

- **Team Activities**

Depending on the competition schedule, teams may have opportunities to take part in off-field activities such as team-building or site seeing. These events will have cost implications outside of the levy. As such, parents should be prepared to provide athletes with additional spending money over and above the cost of food/snacks/laundry. Team coaches and managers will oversee the detail and inform parents of cost, ahead of time.

- **Team Clothing/Uniform**

It is mandatory for athletes to wear their travel uniform when traveling with the team from BC to Ontario. Please provide your athlete with laundry bags with your athlete’s name on the bag. Team Managers will set a daily budget to include food/snacks/hydration and laundry.

More information will be provided as it becomes available. Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact:

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