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SMHA Underage Player Criteria

1. A player who wishes to try out as an underage player for a (A / AA) Team must first inform in writing (prior to the tryouts) the SMHA President and also the convenors for that age group.
2. The player must concurrently try out for their own age group team. The player must attend at least the first tryout from their own age group. The player has to tryout at the highest level of their own age group and also the highest level of the older age group.
3. To qualify to play up an age group the underage player must be deemed as one of the top 3 forwards, top 2 defenseman, or the top goalie on the team they are trying out for at the older age group.
4. Evaluation of the player will be performed by a committee comprised of a minimum of 3 SMHA board members.
5. Player movement up an age group will be further discouraged if there is a shortage of players/goalies at the lower age group.
6. All decisions regarding player movement between age groups must be approved by the SMHA board based on recommendations from the evaluation committee.