



## South Side Athletic Club U11 AA Hockey Announcement

Exciting news for our community! Starting in the 2025-2026 season, the South Side Athletic Club (SSAC) will proudly host two U11 AA teams as part of Edmonton's Elite Hockey program. This change follows Hockey Edmonton's decision to have U11 AA teams operated by the city's Athletic Clubs, aligning with the existing Elite Hockey boundaries.

### Why This Matters for U11 Families

- **A True Elite Hockey Experience:** U11 AA is the first step on the Hockey Alberta Elite player pathway, emphasizing skill development and fostering a true competitive environment.
- **Hockey Canada Alignment:** The program follows Hockey Canada's player development model, which prioritizes skill development, ensuring a strong foundation for young athletes.
- **High-Performance Alternative:** The SSAC U11 AA program will offer an exceptional, high-performance alternative to non-sanctioned leagues.

### Why Choose SSAC U11 AA?

- **Proven Development Model:** Aligned with the Long Term Player Development Model (LTPD), focusing on a positive hockey experience.
- **Elite Competition:** Play against top talent while staying within Hockey Canada's sanctioned system.
- **Community & Connection:** Join a supportive, development-focused community which focuses on the whole athlete.

### Key Details:

- **Eligibility:** Players must reside within the [SSAC Elite draw zone](#).
- **Information Sessions:** We will host parent information sessions to discuss program details, costs, and benefits of Hockey Canada Elite programming.
- **Google Form:** Please fill out [THIS GOOGLE FORM](#) to ensure you receive future information about SSAC U11 AA programming directly.

### Learn More:

- **Hockey Alberta U11 AA Program:** [Hockey Alberta U11 AA Pathway](#)

We are excited to bring the U11 AA program into the SSAC family, and look forward to sharing more information with you soon!