

TORNADO WATCH

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October 2009

Up and Coming Events

2009

October

10/4 – 10/8 Learn to Hockey Skate for FREE!
10/2 – 10/4 Back Alley 3 on 3 Tournament
10/8 – 10/10 Robby Glantz Power Skating Clinic
10/12 October TYH Board Meeting
10/16 – 10/17 TRYOUT WEEKEND
10/30 3rd Annual Skate-a-thon

November

11/9 November TYH Board Meeting

December

12/14 December TYH Board Meeting

2009 – 2010 Tornado Tournaments

The Tornado Invitational Tournament Schedule has been posted on the website:

<http://www.tornadoyouthhockey.org/tournaments.cfm>

| Team Level | Dates | Entry Fee |
|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| "Back Alley" 3 on 3 | 10/2 – 10/4 | \$160/Team \$30 Goalies |
| Pee Wee B | 12/11 – 12/13 | \$625 |
| 2010 | Dates | |
| Bantam A | 1/8 – 1/10 | \$675 |
| Girls U10, U12, U14 | 1/16 – 1/17 | |
| Bantam B | 1/22 – 1/24 | \$675 |
| Squirt B | 1/29 – 1/31 | \$575 |
| Mite A | 1/29 – 1/31 | \$575 |
| Pee Wee C | 2/5 – 2/7 | \$625 |
| Squirt C | 2/5 – 2/7 | \$575 |
| Pee Wee A | 2/19 – 2/21 | \$625 |
| Squirt A | 2/26 – 2/28 | \$575 |

These tournaments will feature the following:

- All are 8 Team Bracketed Tournaments
- Trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Consolation
- All tournaments are USA Hockey Sanctioned
- 3 Games Guarantee
- 15 minute stop time (12 min. for Squirts/Mites)
- All Teams must be USA Hockey Registered

Message from Board President

Proverbs 22:6: "Teach a youth about the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it."

Our children are mostly influenced during their childhood, and the most influential people in a child's life are their parents. Those words in Proverbs 22:6 are a good reminder for me and hopefully all of the parents involved in Tornado Youth Hockey that our responsibilities as parents are important ones. Our coaches certainly have an impact on the boys and girls that play hockey in our association, but ultimately it's the parents who have the greatest impact on their child's happiness and the success of Tornado Youth Hockey. I'm about two weeks into the job as Board President, and I'm already amazed at all of the hard work that goes into running a successful youth hockey program. I want to thank everyone that has set aside time in their already busy schedules to give their time and talents towards making this season one of the best ever. We have many challenges ahead of us this season. As with most non-profit organizations, raising the necessary monies to run a top-notch program will be a priority. Given our national and local economic downturn, raising those funds will more difficult than ever before. Our goal as always is to keep the skater fees as low and affordable as possible. In order to do so, we will need help from everyone in the organization. It's not just the responsibility of a few individuals on the Fund Raising Committee, or those who have graciously given in the past, but we all must help in this effort. Many of us know of individuals or businesses that would be happy and able to donate to the association.....we just need to ask.

We are already off to a fantastic start to the season based on registration numbers and the enthusiastic volunteers at registration this past Saturday. Once again, I would like to thank all of the parents, coaches and volunteers for making Tornado Youth Hockey one of the premier hockey associations in the Midwest. Lastly, let's make a special effort this hockey season to focus on what's best for the kids. Because when our children are years removed from Tornado Youth Hockey, they probably won't remember how many games they won or who scored the most goals. They will remember the examples we as parents set for them, and the fun they had playing hockey.

Sincerely,
Ty E Earp
Tornado Youth Hockey Board President



Executive Board

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| President: | Ty Earp |
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The Executive Board can be reached by email at ExecBoard@tornadoyouthhockey.org.

The Board of Directors can be reached by email at Board@tornadoyouthhockey.org. Or, you can contact any individual director by looking up their contact information on the official web page of the Tornado Youth Hockey Association at <http://www.tornadoyouthhockey.org/contact.cfm>.

State Tournament Director, Sucker Pull Sales and Extravaganza Coordinator still needed

TYH is still in need of a State Tournament Director, Sucker Pull Sales and Extravaganza Coordinator. If you are interested any of these positions, which will fulfill your Service Hours, please contact one of the Executive Board members.

Register ONLINE with USA Hockey

USA Hockey would like all associations to have their members register online. It is a simple process which requires a credit card.

- <https://www.usahockeyregistration.com>
- Choose member type: Ice Player/Coach
- You must be 18 years old to register online so click the box to acknowledge YOU (not your child) are 18 or older.
- Select the season 2009-10
- Follow the prompts, filling in all required data fields completely and accurately.
- Process payment... The fee is \$30.00 for players 7yrs and older. Players younger than 7 still need to register with USA Hockey but you will not be assessed the fee. For ages 6 and younger, the USA Hockey registration fees are waived.

Print your confirmation page(s) and send with your registration packet. We will need to scan the barcode from that page to confirm your registration.

Board of Directors

League Rep. (WMHL) – Chris Hawkinson
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Mite Rep. – Shannon Wells
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Coach Rep. – Mike McCaffrey
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Extravaganza Coordinator – *vacant*
New Skater Program Coordinator – Tanya Hefti

Schedule Calendar

After teams are formed, the website calendar will become team-specific. The calendar will contain all events for all teams and age groups. You will then be able to filter the contents and view a calendar specific to your needs.

Article submissions should be sent to
LeAnn Dirks at
leanndirks@tornadoyouthhockey.org .



Power Skating Clinic Details

We have had to change the dates for the Robbie Glantz Power Skating Clinic that was slated for October 10th, 11th and 12th. The new dates have been just backed up 2 days due to a scheduling conflict on the clinics end. The new dates are October 8th, 9th and 10th. The times are as follows:

Mites and Squirts:

Thurs 8th: 7-8:20pm
Fri 9th: 5-6:30pm
Sat 10th: 10:20- 12pm

Pee Wee/ Bantams:

Nothing on Thursday
Fri 9th: 6:40-8:10pm
(2 sessions on Saturday)
Sat 10th: 8:40-10:10am
Sat 10th: 3:30-5pm

High School:

Thurs 8th: 8:30-9:50pm
Fri 9th: 8:20-9:50pm
Sat 10th: 1:40-3:20pm

Learn to Skate Program

Try Hockey for FREE!!!!

Tornado Youth Hockey will be offering our Third annual Learn to Skate Program at the Onalaska Omni Center. It is a **FREE** program designed to teach kids 4 and older how to skate and allow them to try the sport of Hockey. Tornado Youth Hockey provides the kids with all of the equipment that they will need for this 3 day program. If you find out that your child loves Hockey you will have the opportunity to sign them up for our regular hockey season which will start the end of October or early November.

Session 1: Sunday Oct. 4th 4pm-5pm, Monday Oct.

5th 6pm-7pm, and Wednesday Oct. 7th 6pm-7pm.

Session 2: Sunday Oct. 4th 6pm-7pm, Tuesday Oct.

6th 6pm-7pm, and Thursday Oct. 8th 6pm-7pm.

What participants have said about the program...

"We really liked that he could try it first before making the commitment, he would not have tried otherwise."

"...the coaches had great interaction with all of the kids!"

"The coaches were great! Very patient and encouraging."

"Thank you so much my son loved it."

If you would like to attend our **FREE** Learn to Skate Program please contact Tanya Hefti @ (608)783-0779 or e-mail tanyahefti@tornadoyouthhockey.org

Space in this program is limited due to the availability of equipment.

2009 -10 Tryouts

To TYH Parents and Skaters,

I hope everyone had a great summer and are now settled back into the school routine. With that being said, it's time to start looking forward to the upcoming hockey season. Yes, it will be here very soon.

This year we will be handling the team tryouts a little differently than we have in the past couple of years. We will not use evaluators brought in from the Twin Cities. We will be using a combination of local coaches who are outside TYH, and some of our own coaches to do the evaluations. Our goal is to have between five and seven evaluators. There will also be two coaches on the ice to run the drills and scrimmage. In addition, there will be a TYH Executive Board Member in the arena to oversee the tryout process. Along with the normal on-ice tryout procedure, we will have a dry land warm up for the kids just before they go out on the ice.

The tryouts will be closed again this year to the parents and we will also cover the window in Rink 2. Last year the kids were better able to focus on the tryouts without parents lined around the rink watching. By covering up the windows this year, the kids will not be distracted by the fifty faces peering through the glass windows. We want to give the kids the most stress free environment for tryouts as possible.

In the past, TYH has paid out over \$2,000.00 a year to bring in outside evaluators. As the Coaching Director, I feel this money could be better spent on other programs for our skaters such as the upcoming Robbie Glantz Power Skating Clinic and other things such as summer ice in Rink 2. Our goal is to improve our kids as hockey players, and afford them every possible opportunity to achieve the goals they have set for themselves. I think this is a step in that direction.

Please watch the TYH Website for further updates and information regarding tryout dates and times.

Thank you for your support of Tornado Youth Hockey. I look forward to seeing you and your children this season.

Sincerely,
Mike McCaffrey
TYH Coaching Director



Do not make tryouts a trying experience

eteams.com - Submitted by: Val Belmonte

Here we are again, it is that time when all youth hockey players, parents and coaches are gearing up for tryouts.

It is that time to prove yourself to a coach or selection committee, whether you are beginning hockey for the first time as a Mite or getting ready to make the AAA Midget Team.

The key element to having a successful tryout is to be properly prepared – that goes for both the parents and players. Players need to be prepared mentally as well as physically and parents play an important role in assisting their child in the preparation stage.

There are as many different styles of tryouts as there are coaches in the country. But there is one common element-- players will be evaluated on the basic skills of the game: skating, puck control skills, shooting, passing and an understanding of the game.

Here is a list of helpful hints to remember before and during tryouts.

Players Checklist:

- Get on the ice a few weeks before the tryouts. Even if you are active during the summer, you need to get your "hockey coordination" tuned up.
- Get yourself into skating shape, no matter what age level you play.

Do:

- Present your best effort during all activities.
- Remain calm and pay close attention to instructions.
- Make sure your equipment is in great shape.
- Always be on time and ready to go.
- Be relaxed, go out and have a lot of fun.

Don't:

- Be nervous or anxious.
- Enter tryouts without being in skating shape.
- Be afraid to ask questions.
- Forget that an all out effort is important.
- Forget to have fun.
- Forget it is truly only a game.

Parents Checklist:

- Find out the organization's policies and procedures at tryouts.
- Assist your child in getting some ice time well before tryouts begin.
- Ask how the players will be evaluated.
- Keep expectations realistic.
- Know your child needs to enjoy himself/herself and be relaxed.
- Remind your child this is not a matter of life or death.

Do:

- Keep the tryouts in the proper perspective.
- Keep everything positive.
- Have fun with your child.
- Stay calm for your child.

Don't:

- Create additional pressure for your young players.
- Get uptight during the tryout process.
- Create a negative environment.
- Set unrealistic expectations.

Activities in Preparation for Tryouts

- Get on the ice and skate. Concentrate on quick stops and starts; change of direction and tight hockey turns.
- Puck Control: handle the puck while skating; use your skates; front to back as well as side to side dribbles.
- Off Ice: stick handle in your driveway using a tennis ball; wiffle ball or street hockey puck. Get on roller blades to get the rhythm of skating. Practice shooting the puck.

Both parents and players must remember it is not a matter of life and death. It is supposed to be a game all of us enjoy to play and watch. Pressure and unrealistic expectations are the biggest problem that a player has to deal with during the tryout process. Be calm, go out and have a ball!

Hockey Dynamics Tryouts

eteams.com - Submitted by: Bob O'Connor

We at the USA Hockey Coaching Education Office have had an unusual amount of anonymous letters this year from parents from all over the country claiming bias, nepotism, favoritism, totalitarianism, aristocratic authority and good old political favoritism on the part of the administrators and coaches in hockey tryouts.

This is the most stressful time of the season for even the most successful and experienced coaches. They are making judgments, choices and decisions on the most precious people in parents' lives.

It is a traumatic and tense time for many players and their parents, who value the selection to the higher level teams as a prize, an ego boost and a levitation in social standing in their local hockey community.

At the same time, it challenges the integrity of the hockey boards and administrators who are empowered to shepherd a democratic process that must be fair. The process of selecting players is an art rather than a perfect science; it is a subjective exercise based on the premise that "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder." This is the essence of the problem.

But we can be more objective like many successful associations have been by having published guidelines for policies and procedures and tryouts that are available to all.

This is the key to successful tryouts in any association.

Advice to prepare for tryouts

Hockeyplayertips.blogspot.com

Coaches of all age levels were approached to pick their great hockey minds about tryouts. We posed this question to them.

“What advice would you give to the players to prepare themselves mentally and/or physically for tryouts?”

This is what they had to say:

- Hockey is a game & it is fun. So relax & have fun. Stress=anxiety=poor performance. Fun=relaxed=good performance.
- If you haven't already taken some time off from skating since last hockey season ended, do so now. Skating 52 weeks a year will lead to burn out late in the season when you need to be the most energetic and enthusiastic. If NHL and Division 1 college players can take off weeks or even months at a time from skating during the off-season, youth players can certainly take a few weeks off as well. Continue to work on the off-ice things, and as tryouts get closer, that is when you'll want to start getting back on the ice for more skating sessions.
- Develop a goal to shoot pucks in your basement or driveway. Set a high but achievable goal for the # of pucks to shoot per week. Make a calendar and record your progress to help hold yourself accountable. Also, buddy up with a friend or two and shoot together to make it more fun and so you can hold each other accountable for sticking to your goals. Working on this consistently will help to improve your shot!
- Get a stick-handling ball of some sort (you can use anything, but even a golf ball or waffle ball stuffed with a cut-up tennis ball inside of it works great), and go through a stick handling routine in your driveway, garage or basement. Work on wide reach, toe-pulls, figure 8's around your gloves, etc... Also, be creative – imagine/visualize game-type situations and stickhandle your way around/through the opponent.
- Work on your strengths and weaknesses because you will never get better if you only work on your strengths.
- Be sure to come into tryouts in good cardiovascular shape. This can be achieved through many avenues, including skating, rollerblading, running, etc...
- Be sure to come into tryouts in good hockey shape but also rested. Hockey shape can be achieved in

many different ways (stick handling in the garage, shooting pucks, stretching hockey muscles, Fall clinics etc).

- For older players (mainly bantams), continue working to improve strength through work in the weight room. Focus on high repetitions and good form, not on lifting lots of weight. For players who are not yet physically ready for the weight room, pushups and sit-ups definitely do the trick too!
- **DON'T BE THE PLAYER THAT FORGETS A PIECE OF EQUIPMENT.** If you forget an item, it's your fault not Mom & Dad's fault.
- Equipment check. Make sure your skates are sharp; equipment is all set etc well before tryouts.
- Don't stress about things you can't control. Your jersey # or jersey color won't matter, nor does who you will be skating with, tryout format, who is evaluating etc.
- Work hard. Hard work is something you can control.
- Yes, it's ok to be nervous. In fact, everyone else is also nervous so figure it is perfectly normal.
- Ask yourself what your strengths are & then go show them off.
- Understand that it's not all about goals & assists. Little things like a good backcheck, blocked shot or hustle play often get noticed more than goals & assists.
- Make sure you are getting plenty of fluids/food/rest throughout tryouts. They can be both physically & mentally draining so eat, drink & rest up.
- Get ahead of your schoolwork before tryouts. If you have a presentation or exam during tryouts it will be difficult to do well at both. Get ahead.
- If all of the above fails, just have fun & work hard, the rest will take care of itself.
- Just remember to do the best you can because during tryouts you are showing the coaches what you can do and doing your best is all that we can ask for.
- Don't get discouraged; move forward and look at the positives.



Training for Tryouts is All About Attitude

With Erik Johnson of the St. Louis Blues

By: [USA Hockey Magazine](#)

Defenseman Erik Johnson's hard work paid off when he was the first overall pick of the 2006 NHL Entry Draft by the St. Louis Blues

For some of you, tryouts are just around the corner. Some players find tryouts to be a nerve-wracking time, but if you take the time in the offseason and prepare yourself there's no reason you won't hear your name called when it comes time to pick the team.

Tip #1

You want to be in shape when you show up at tryouts. That doesn't mean you have to knock yourself out during the summer, but you shouldn't be out of breath or hanging over the boards after the first drill. There are a lot of fun activities you can do in the summer away from the rink to improve your conditioning, such as soccer, lacrosse, swimming, bike riding or inline/street hockey.

Tip #2

Don't let tryouts be the first time you've stepped on the ice since last season. Get on the ice a few times before tryouts so you can regain the feel of the puck and condition the muscles needed for skating. Playing shinny or pick-up hockey is a great way to practice your hockey skills and get in shape. It's also a great chance to make sure your equipment is in good condition and still fits.

Tip #3

Go out and play your game. Do what you do well and don't be distracted by who's evaluating or what other players are doing on the ice. Be assertive, be hungry and be at the front of the line for every drill. Pay attention and listen to what the coaches' instructions. Show them that you're excited to be there and you're ready to do whatever it takes to make the team.

Tip #4

Remember that hockey is a game of mistakes. If you miss a pass, lose an edge and fall or overskate the puck, don't dwell on it. Get back up and keep working hard. Keep a positive frame of mind, and look forward to your next opportunity to do something well.

Remember This

It's up to you to earn a spot on the team. Don't look to blame anyone else if you don't succeed. Hopefully you'll make the team you're trying out for. If things don't work out, it's important to learn from the experience and continue to work hard on all aspects of your game.

How to Stand Out During Tryouts

Sports – Hockey – Our Game by Kim McCullough

Here are three simple tips players can use to stand out in the eyes of the coaches and give themselves the best chance to make the team.

1. Go to the front of the line. This seems simple enough, but it can also be really scary for players. The coach explains the drill, and you are pretty sure that you get it, but does that really mean that you should go first?

Definitely. Coaches notice little details like this.

Trust me on this one -- going first and messing up the drill a little bit is much better than hiding in the back of the line because you are worried about making a mistake. Show some initiative and confidence in yourself and your ability to do the drill right.

2. Don't be afraid to ask questions. If you have a question as the coach is explaining the drill on the board, ASK! Odds are that at least four or five other people have the exact same question and were probably scared to ask. Sometimes coaches don't always do a great job of explaining the drills perfectly. By asking the question, you are actually showing that you are being a team player, because you are giving every player on the ice the opportunity to see it again and feel more confident in their ability to do the drill properly.

3. Out-hustle everybody. Every single coach out there wants players who are willing to compete in every drill and will push themselves and their teammates to be the best. Be first to the puck, be the first player back on the backcheck, be first in everything.

And if you get beat 1-on-1, turn the puck over at the blueline or let in a weak goal, be the player that recovers the fastest from their mistakes. Hockey is a game of mistakes -- it's the players that recover quickest and capitalize on the mistakes of others that stand out from the rest.

You don't need to be the best player on the ice to stand out and get noticed. Make a great impression by following these tips and always remember that hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard.





Tornado Youth Hockey Newsletter

As the new season is fast approaching, I want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to share news about each level.

If you have any news you want to share in the Newsletter, you can send this to me via e-mail. There will be four seasonal newsletters throughout the year. If you have news you would like to put into the newsletter, please contact me. I can add additional information to the newsletter as needed. GOT PICTURES! Pictures are a great way to get everyone to notice and the kids like it too.

Thanks! *LeAnn Dirks*

leanndirks@tornadoyouthhockey.org

Coaching

If you are interested in coaching with the Onalaska/Holmen Tornado Youth Hockey Association, please visit the Coaches Corner section of our website at

www.tornadoyouthhockey.org/coaches_corner.cfm

From there you will find the necessary forms to fill out for application to be a coach with Onalaska/Holmen Tornado Youth Hockey. Download, print, and fill out the forms, and return to Coach Representative Mike McCaffrey as soon as possible.

Required Forms Include:

- Register with USA Hockey and print the confirmation info
- COACH APPLICATION FORM
- COACH REGISTRATION FORM
- CONSENT TO TREAT
- Copy of your USA Hockey Coach Card (both back and front)
- The date that you were last certified in CPR and First Aid

Service Hours Available

Four committee members are needed for TYH Skate-A-Thon. The first committee meeting is October 7. Committee members will also be asked to work the Skate-A-Thon. If interested, please contact Stephanie Dabrowski at stephdabrowski@tornadoyouthhockey.org

We Need Your Recipes!

Deadline extended until October 31st

A committee has been working on a new fundraiser for 2009-2010, "Tornado Youth Hockey Family Favorite Recipes" Cookbook. The cookbook will be a collection of at least 400 recipes with a personalized hardback cover. In order to have the cookbooks published and ready for sale by December 1, 2009, we need every family to submit recipes (up to 5 per family) no later than October 31st, 2009.

A web site has been set up for you to enter your recipes online.

Please follow these simple steps to enter your recipes:

1. To access the web site go to www.typensave.com
2. A log-in screen will appear. Type in the following information in the boxes.
3. CONTRIBUTOR NAME : Your name or a member of your family's name you wanted printed with the recipe
GROUP LOG-IN : hockey
PASSWORD: 8wmdd
4. The Add RECIPE screen will appear. The format is straightforward and easy to follow. There are ? buttons to help with the data entry, if necessary. Please use the Check Spelling and Preview Recipe buttons at the bottom of the page.
5. This will assist the committee in proofing the recipes.

If you prefer to have the committee enter your recipes, please e-mail your recipes to tamijhutson@aol.com or mail to Tami Hutson, 140 Calla Court, Onalaska, WI 54650

PLEASE NOTE: In order for this to be a successful fundraiser, we need every family to submit at least two recipes.

For duplicate or similar recipes, multiple contributors will be noted next to the recipe.

Any questions or problems call or e-mail Tami Hutson, Cookbook Chairperson at 781-1415 or tamijhutson@aol.com

Other committee members who can assist you include: Shalli Henson, Kay Jones, Vicki Anderson, or Gina McCaffrey

Thank you for your help!

Help us win \$2,500 from Liberty Mutual

Liberty Mutual is awarding \$2,500 community grants as part of its Responsible Sports program championing and celebrating responsibility in youth sports.

Here's how it works:

- Every person who completes the online Responsible Coaching or Responsible Sport Parenting course and the 10-question review quiz earns one point. The twenty (20) organizations around the country that get the most points will earn a \$2,500 grant.
- Since we'll only be competing against organizations of similar size (three separate divisions), we have a great chance to win! Of course, the more people we get to take the course and quiz, the better our chance of winning the Community Grant.
- Let's all work together – for the kids, and for the \$2,500 grant. Just think of the ways this grant could help us: equipment, uniforms, travel, practice field time – you name it!

Follow these 3 easy steps...

Don't wait! The Fall 2009 Grant Program ends Nov. 30th. Visit Responsible Sports to register and participate at

www.responsiblesports.com/community_grants/default.aspx



Pimp Your Ride!

Show your support for Tornado Youth Hockey with body art for your kid hauler. They're made from high-quality automotive vinyl so they'll look great on your vehicle for a long, long time. They're just \$5.00! Contact [Kevin Post](#) to get yours.



Calling for Team Managers

As we are closing in to the start of the 09-10 season, please consider being a team manager for your child's team. Being a team manager will fulfill the service hour requirement completely.

We need managers for:

- Traveling Mites
- Squirt A, B, C
- PeeWee A, B, and possibly C
- Bantam A and possibly B

Duties of a team manager are, but are not limited to,

- Submitting scoresheets for winning games to WMHL
- Liaison between coaches and parents and organization and parents/coaches
- Recruiting a coordinator for your level home tournament
- Communicating with parents and coaches regarding games, tournaments, practices, etc.
- Planning a team party at the end of the season (if your team wants one)
- Assigning parents to work games (scoreboard, penalty boxes, announcing, etc)

While that doesn't seem like a lot, it is an on-going process from day 1. You may also need to schedule add-on games for the season for your team.

The Mandatory Managers Meeting will be held either the end of October or beginning of November.

If you have any questions or are interested, please e-mail Jeanette Hawkinson at jeanette.l.hawkinson@gmail.com. This will be a first-come first-serve position and you won't be assigned a team until try-outs results have been posted. If you are interested, please e-mail your name, child's name, and what level.