



2026 U13 AAA Provincial Championships



Event Overview

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Location

- Strathmore Family Centre Arena
- 160 Brent Blvd, Strathmore, AB
- All games played on **Gold Ice (Olympic-size surface)**

Tournament Format

- Round robin tournament
- Player of the Game awards presented after round robin games
- Medal games conclude the event with closing ceremonies

Game Operations

- 5-minute warm-up before each game
- Warm-up pucks provided
- Games begin with **Land Acknowledgement and National Anthem**
- Teams shake hands after each game

Broadcast & Media

- All games broadcast live through **FloSports**
- Professional play-by-play and camera crew
- LIVEBarn disabled during event
- Official event photographer: **Chad Goddard Photography**

Arena Amenities

- Olympic-size ice surface
- On-site skate sharpening (Sharp Shop)
- Agra Risk King's Lounge restaurant overlooking the arena



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Team Services

- Dedicated dressing room for each team during the tournament
- Shared player lounge spaces available between games
- Athletic therapist on site for all games

Player Lounges

- Charles Mercer Room – Centennial Civic Centre
- Blue Room – located in arena
- Space available for team meals and downtime between games

Access & Credentials

- Players and team staff receive **tournament lanyards** for access to team areas
- Spectator admission charged at arena entrance

Admission Pricing

- Adult Event Pass: \$20
- Senior/Student Event Pass: \$10
- Adult Single Game: \$10
- Senior/Student Single Game: \$5
- Children 10 and under: Free

Additional Event Features

- Official event merchandise available on site
- Professional tournament announcing by **Kris Lindberg**

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Welcome to the 2026 U13 AAA Provincial Championships

Congratulations on earning your place at the 2026 U13 AAA Provincial Championships in Strathmore.

Competing at Provincials is a significant accomplishment and reflects the dedication and success of your players, coaches, and team staff throughout the season. We are excited to welcome your team to Strathmore and look forward to an outstanding weekend of hockey.

The Host Committee has prepared the attached information package to help ensure your experience at the tournament runs smoothly. Inside you will find key event details including schedules, facilities, team services, and important logistics for the weekend.

Our goal is to create a memorable experience for players, coaches, and families while showcasing the hospitality of our community. If you have any questions leading up to the tournament, please do not hesitate to reach out.

We look forward to welcoming you to Strathmore and wish your team the best of luck at the Championships.

I will be your primary point of contact for tournament related questions.

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High Priority Pre-Tournament Action Items

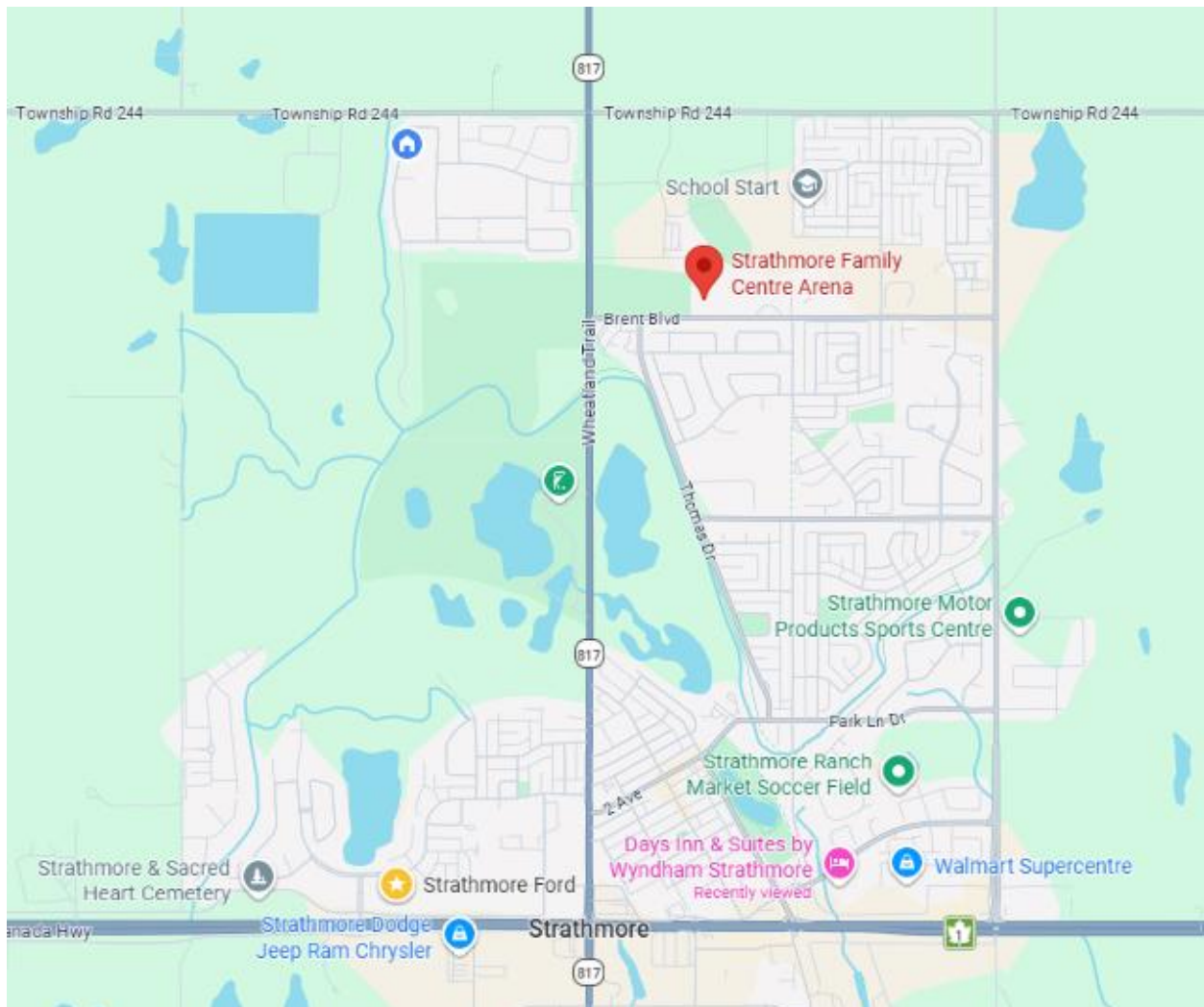
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1. Please email a **high-resolution team photo** for the programs to Bethany Grant bethany.larsen@hotmail.com
2. Please **confirm your roster** (including attending Affiliate Players APs) for the program
3. **Hotel bookings.** The host committee has room blocks under U13AAA provincials at the Travelodge ([403\) 901-0000](tel:4039010000) and Strathmore Days Inn (403) 934-1134. This is not a “Stay and Play” tournament. You are free to choose whatever hotel you like to book but because we have made deposits at these two, we ask you let us know ASAP if you decide to stay elsewhere or do not plan to stay in Strathmore.
4. **Photographer Early Bird Sale-** Please share the attached brochure with our team for early bird discounts on photo packages.
5. **Merchandise Pre-sale-** There will be a merchandise store on site during the tournament with official U13AAA Provincials gear. Pre-orders can be made on the online store and stock can be guaranteed that way.
6. Please send a copy of your roster, including APs, with **phonetic name spelling** for our announcer
7. Please send titles and artists of **goal-song** and warmup songs. Title and artist only please- we will not accept audio files.

Event Information

Location

All games will be played at the Strathmore Family Center Arena located at 160 Brent Blvd, Strathmore, AB T1P 1E9.



The arena is within 5-10 min drive of all hotels and restaurants in Strathmore. While the SFC is a twin arena, all games will be played on the “Gold” ice. Note that this is an **Olympic size** ice surface.



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The facility is home to the Sharp Shop business where skate sharpening and maintenance can be completed. <https://www.facebook.com/strathmoreshop/>. Additionally, the facility is home to the Agra Risk King's Lounge. The King's Lounge is an all ages, licensed, restaurant with view of the arena. The lounge serves casual pub style fare.

Tournament Schedule

DIVISION & CATEGORY PROVINCIALS - LOCATION							
ROUND ROBIN							
Game #	Day	Arena	Start	Finish	Home (Zone)	Vs	Away (Zone)
1	Thursday	SFCGold	11:00 AM	1:30 PM	1	VS	2
2	Thursday	SFCGold	1:45 PM	4:15 PM	3	VS	4
	Thursday	SFCGold	5:00 PM	5:45 PM	OPENING CEREMONIES		
3	Thursday	SFCGold	6:00 PM	8:30 PM	5	VS	1
4	Friday	SFCGold	9:00 AM	11:30 AM	4	VS	2
5	Friday	SFCGold	11:45 AM	2:15 PM	3	VS	5
6	Friday	SFCGold	2:30 PM	5:00 PM	4	VS	1
7	Friday	SFCGold	5:15 PM	7:45 PM	2	VS	5
8	Saturday	SFCGold	10:00 AM	12:30 PM	1	VS	3
9	Saturday	SFCGold	12:45 PM	3:15 PM	5	VS	4
10	Saturday	SFCGold	4:30 PM	7:00 PM	2	VS	3
Game #	Day	Start	Finish	Home (Zone)	Vs	Away (Zone)	
BRONZE MEDAL							
11	Sunday	SFCGold	10:00 AM	12:30 PM	3rd Place	VS	4th Place
CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL							
12*	Sunday	SFCGold	1:00 PM	4:00 PM	1st Place	VS	2nd Place
PARTICIPATING TEAMS							
1	2	3	4	5			
CLOSEST TEAM	2ND CLOSEST	2ND FURTHEST	FURTHEST	HOST			
NOTES:	2.25 hours per ice slot should be sufficient for Round Robin play for events where there is no overtime for tied games (same game format as Regular Season). Divisions with overtime should be 2.5 hour game slots						
	Sunday games should be at least 2.5 Hours - 2.75 preferred.						
	Minimum 3 hours of rest between games if a team plays 2 in one day						
	Teams may only play 2 games in one day one time in the event						
	Thursday should have 3 games. Friday and Saturday must have 7 between them (3 on one day, 4 on the other) On ice opening ceremonies should be 20 mins max. AFHL events are permitted to have banquets off ice.						
Calgary	1						
South Rural	2						
North Rural	3						
North Metro	4						
Host	5						



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Tournament Access and Accreditation

Players and team staff listed on AEHL website will be granted lanyards granting them free access to all tournament events. Lanyards must be presented to Event Security to gain access to spectator area and dressing room are access. Adults without credentials will not be provided access to those areas.

Spectators will be charged an admission fee to access the spectator area. Admission pricing as follows:

- Adult Event Pass – \$20 (full-weekend access)
- Senior/Student Event Pass – \$10 (full-weekend access)
- Adult Single Game Admission – \$10
- Senior/Student Single Game- \$5
- Children 10 and under – Free

Team Services

Player's Lounge (Sponsored by Taylor Construction)

The host committee has rented space (Charles Mercer Room) in the Strathmore Centennial Civic Center which is adjacent to the arena. “The Charles Mercer room is a great location for small business meetings or birthday parties. The room includes tables, chairs, a coffee maker, fridge, sink and has a ceiling projector and screen. The meeting room can accommodate up to 50 people in theatre row style seating or 30 sitting at tables. “

The committee has also booked a smaller area “The Blue Room” which is in the arena. It is smaller than the Charles Mercer room but suitable size to hold a team for a team meal in convenient location. The Blue Room is equipped with a large screen television, tables, chairs.

A schedule has been created to provide teams with a suitable space where they can relax and have a team meal between games on days when they have two games. The Player's Lounges are available to reserve for team functions outside of these hours on a first come first served basis if desired. - (contact rdalziel_11@hotmail.com).

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Please Note that the team using the Player's Lounges is required to provide adult supervision during their bookings. It is a shared space so we kindly request that the area is tidied at the end of the booking, with garbage disposed of in cans, chairs and tables returned to their positions and tables wiped.

Day	Room	Start	End	Team
Thursday	Blue Room	11:00 AM	9:00 PM	Host/ Hockey Alberta
Thursday	Chuck Mercer	11:00 AM	1:30 PM	Open to Book
Thursday	Chuck Mercer	1:30 PM	4:15 PM	Calgary
Thursday	Chuck Mercer	4:15 PM	6:00 PM	Closed
Thursday	Chuck Mercer	6:00 PM	9:00 PM	Open to Book
Friday	Chuck Mercer	11:30 AM	4:00 PM	South Rural
Friday	Blue Room	11:30 AM	1:00 PM	North Metro
Friday	Blue Room	1:30 PM	7:45 PM	Host/ Hockey Alberta
Friday	Chuck Mercer	4:00 PM	7:45 PM	Open to Book
Saturday	Chuck Mercer	12:30 PM	3:30 PM	North Rural
Saturday	Blue Room	3:15 PM	7:00 PM	Host/ Hockey Alberta
Saturday	Chuck Mercer	3:30 PM	7:00 PM	Open to Book

Dressing Rooms

Each team will be assigned a dressing room for the duration of the tournament. The SFC arena has a flex room available that is regularly used by female players. This is a shared space and cannot be guaranteed to a single team for the tournament duration. The host committee will coordinate with arena staff on a game-by-game basis to ensure players that need their own space for changing have access.

Due to the arena layout, teams may occasionally share washroom facilities or require alternate access routes for bench or washroom access during certain games. Tournament volunteers will be on site to help coordinate this.

Please note that SFC Arena may be under water use restrictions during the Championship. This is completely out of the control of the Host Committee and Arena Staff. In past, this has meant that dressing room showers have been disabled to save water. We will try to avoid this but we appreciate your understanding if we can't.



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Athletic Therapist

There will be an athletic therapist on site for all games. This person will be responsible for initiating any medical emergency responses. Additionally, this resource will be available for all teams for on-ice injury response. This shared resource is limited to injury and emergency response but will not be available for pre-game treatments (taping, massage etc.).

Game Play

Tournament Rules

Rules are provided by Hockey Alberta and will be provided in a separate document.

Pre-Game

- Each game will start with a 5 min warmup.
- Pucks will be provided
- Warmup followed by land acknowledgment and anthem

Volunteer Requirements

Visiting teams will not be required to provide volunteers for any part of the tournament.

Post Game

- Teams shake hands after each game
- For Round Robin games, teams will be asked to line up on their blue lines for Player of the Game (POG) presentations.
- POGs will be selected by an independent viewer for each team. Winners will be recorded so that players will only receive one POG award in the tournament
- Medal games will follow a Closing Ceremonies protocol to be provided in a separate attachment.



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Media and Broadcast

Photo/Video

The host committee has commissioned Chad Goddard Photography (info in email attachments) for photography services. He has been provided with exclusive commercial photography rights for the event.

The host committee has commissioned a crew to provide play by play and camera operations through FloSports for all games of the tournament. FloSports is the exclusive broadcaster for AEHL events. Flo is a subscription service and subscriptions can be purchased [HERE](#) for viewers wanting to see the event remotely. LIVEBarn cameras will be disabled for the event.

We ask that spectators be considerate of the broadcast crew's space and be mindful that actions and comments in the stands may be inadvertently captured.

Announcing

Professional announcer Kris Lindberg will be providing announcing and emcee services for the duration of the tournament