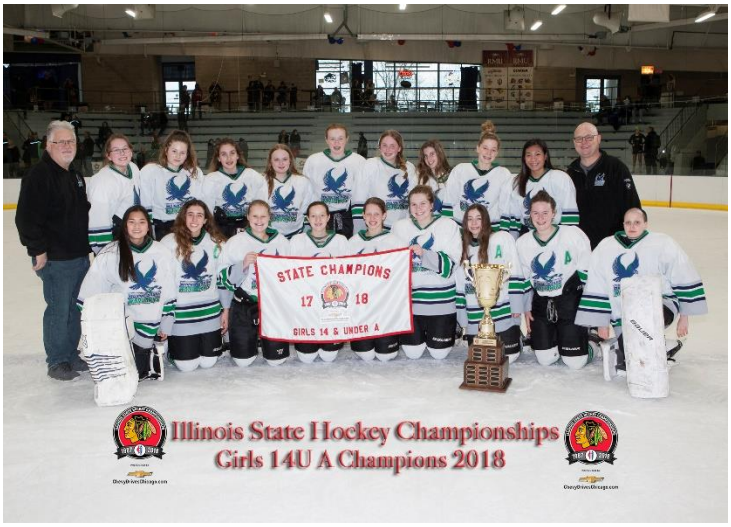
Warhawks U14 Have a Successful Trip to USA Hockey Nationals



Marlborough, Massachusetts, was the site of the USA Hockey Girls Tier 1 and Tier 2 National Championships. Our U14 Warhawks qualified by winning the Illinois State Championships over the Chicago Bruins.

The Warhawks drew an exceptionally difficult bracket with all four teams ranked in the Top 20 Nationally. Game 1 was against the 4th ranked East Coast Wizards, a girls' program with 20+ teams that qualified six teams for Nationals and features five teams ranked in the top 5 nationally. The Warhawks, having not played a game in close to a month, still played the Wizards closely until a late empty net goal sealed a 4-1 loss for the green and blue.

This put the Warhawks in a critical position for their 2nd preliminary round game against the Colorado Lady Roughriders. With two teams advancing from each of the brackets, and the Roughriders winning their first game, a win was needed. Despite outshooting the Roughriders 35-16, the Warhawks ran into a hot goalie and lost a heartbreaker by a score of 1-0.

Game 3 showed what this team is all about: never ever giving up and battling to the end with a well-earned 2-1 victory over the NOVA Ice Dogs.

For the season, the Warhawks finished with an outstanding 39-11-3 record. More importantly, they played the game the right way, always respecting their opponents, always supporting each other.

Thank you: Coaches Bill Brush, Dan Glovier, and Ray Llanes, for being not only great coaches but great role models. Our managers Chris Guthrie and Terry Kraml for handling every detail. And mostly, to the 18 sets of parents: you have raised wonderful daughters. You should be so proud.

While the season has just completed, we are already hard at work planning for next season...we will continue to update you throughout the next few weeks.

Warhawks Forever!