

NY Islanders' Director of Goaltending
Coach Mitch Korn presents

2023 **DULUTH** SPECIALIZED HOCKEY CAMPS

our 23rd year

4 great days!

both programs Sun. thru Wed.

GOALTENDER PROGRAM

June 11-14

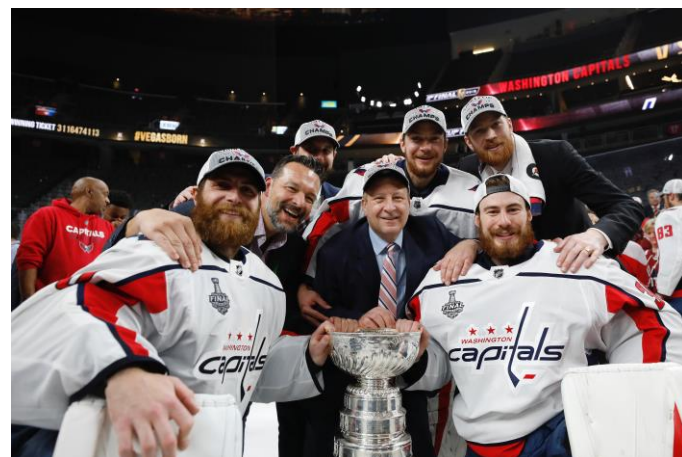
- *ages 9 to adult**
- *Full day program**
- *none better!**
- *sold out in 2022**



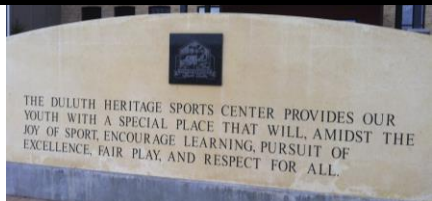
DEFENSEMAN PROGRAM

June 11-14

- *ages 9-14**
- *3 hours of ice daily**
- *Defensemen need training, too!**



@ ESSENTIA DULUTH HERITAGE CENTER



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KORN CAMP
GOALTENDERS • DEFENSEMEN



KORN CAMP...a SPECIALIZED CONCEPT

Back in 1977 Mitch Korn organized his first weekend **Specialized Goal Program** in Buffalo, NY. In between then and now, Mitch and the staff have developed this unique concept. These camps have now grown into the **best in the country** with 8 locations offered. Why not attend a program specially designed by position? In fact, it was Mitch's work in goalie camp that helped him land the job as the Sabres Goalie Coach in 1991.

MITCH KORN...celebrating 32 years in the NHL

Mitch is in his 5th year with the NY Islanders after 4 years with the Capitals, 16 seasons with the Predators and 7 seasons with the Sabres...and he is a **Stanley Cup Champion**. His hard work, communication skills, ability to "dissect" a goalie's game, and great sense of humor have gained him the respect and friendship of those he has coached and worked with. Fondly referred to as "**Children of the Korn**" (a phrase coined by former Islanders coach Barry Trotz) these current and former goalies (many who are now coaching) have benefited from and helped spread the "goalie gospel according to Mitch". With Robin Lehner's nomination (2019) and Braden Holtby winning of the 2016 Vezina Trophy, they marked the 9th Korn coached goalie nomination and 5th awarded Vezina. Dom Hasek also won 2 MVP Hart trophies under Korn. He is the only coach in NHL history to coach a goalie to a Vezina with two different teams (Buffalo, Washington). Korn goalies have earned the 3 Jennings Trophies (fewest goals against) with the NYI (Lehner & Greiss), Buffalo (Fuhr & Hasek) and Caps (Holtby). Mitch has coached many present and former pros. Some include: Semyon Varlamov, Ilya Sorokin, Cory Schneider, Thomas Greiss, Chris Gibson, Braden Holtby, Philipp Grubauer, Vitek Vanecek, Robin Lehner, Pekka Rinne, Carter Hutton, Devin Dubnyk, Scott Darling, Pheonix Copley, Parker Milner, Mike McKenna, Chris Mason, Dan Ellis, Marty Biron, Dominik Hasek, and Tomas Vokoun.

Mitch has coached and influenced others who have (in the past) or who are currently coaching professionally. Some include: Ben Vanderklok (Nash.), Scott Murray (Wash.), Steve Briere (Seattle), Wade Flaherty (Winnipeg), Alex Westlund (Detroit), Mike Bales (Buffalo), Olaf Kolzig (development for Wash.), Mike Dunham (AHL for Boston), Justin Peters (AHL for Ottawa), Drew McIntyre (AHL for Winnipeg), and Seamus Kotyk (AHL for Buffalo). **Can anyone match his 32 years of success in the NHL?**

ABOUT THE STAFF

A highly qualified and experienced staff will be put together to provide the best instruction and supervision. We guarantee that our staff will be more than just coaches or players . . . they will be teachers! For example:

for the Defense Program:

Adam McHugh:

- Program Head Coach
- former collegiate hockey player
- 10th year with Korn Camp
- *plus several Asst. Coaches*

for the Goalie Program:

Besides Mitch, we have developed a staff of loyal, energetic coaches with most still playing at the junior, collegiate or pro level.



ABOUT THE GOALTENDER PROGRAM

OUR OBJECTIVE

Goaltending is more than just blocking pucks. We teach and drill the **physical skills** needed such as full and half butterfly saves, scrambling techniques, stick skills, power pushes, recoveries, head tracking, transitions, post play, etc., along with the **mental skills** such as save selections, "reading the play," tracking, angles, focus, situational analysis, "toughness", etc. We provide a "**full-day**" experience.



MITCH'S PHILOSOPHY

There is no substitute for hard work. Mitch works the goalies very hard, but we also believe in having lots of fun. Humor is a big part of the teaching process. The goalies work together as a "team" or "family" all week. **Mitch is totally involved.**

THE PROGRAM'S FORMAT

In order to accomplish our task, the goalies will receive 4 hours of ice daily, plus 3.5 hours of structured off ice activities. Video is taken of the goalies to help teach and reinforce the skills of the day.

THE ON ICE PROGRAM

The ice time is divided into 2 sessions. The 1st is designed to teach and drill the skills needed. The 2nd consists of "stations" with shooters and lots of pucks to help the goalie "execute" on the skills taught. **Great training tools like low & high shot screen boards, deflection boards, a deflection ramp, an on ice mirror, glove weights, pro-angle, the med ball "goalie stabilizer," bungee balls, focus enhancers, head tracking leash, on ice video and mini & white pucks are used.**



OFF ICE PROGRAM

The goalies will have 2 daily off ice sessions which include: equipment innovations, video instruction, uniquely developed NHL videos to help teach "goalie sense," mental skill development, reading and reacting, how to handle the many game situations, ...and much more!

AGES, STRUCTURE, AND ENROLLMENT

We accept ages 9 to adult, with the goalies grouped in "teams" by age and ability. All ice work is done as an individual, with a partner, or in a "station" of 4. What you do is important, not what the goalies does next to you. Enrollment is limited and is first come, first served. This school is a commuter program . . . no housing is provided. **Ages are as of December 31, 2023.**

PROGRAM SCHEDULE (Sun.-Wed)

- 7:30am **Check-In** - "full day" follows
- 8:30am Daily Arrival (Mon.-Wed.)
- 8:45am Classroom
- 10:30am On ice training
- Noon Lunch (bring or buy)
- 12:45-2pm Off-ice block
- 2:30-5pm On ice station training
- 5pm Day ends



ABOUT THE DEFENSE PROGRAM



ABOUT PLAYING DEFENSE

Good defensemen are in great demand. All coaches search for strong backliners to solidify the team's play in their own zone and to start the offense. Since the advent of Goalie Schools, defensemen have truly been **the most neglected players**. By far, defense is the most difficult position on the ice.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

The concept of "position specific" is not unique to summer goaltender schools . . . so why not bring the same concept to playing defense! This program will break the defenseman's job down by zone and

by skill to provide the most rewarding on-ice experience possible. The feedback has been **FANTASTIC**.

THIS PROGRAM'S CURRICULUM

Our program will cover the following, and more:

- *defenseman skating skills such as backward pivots, mohawk turns, lateral motions
- *situational coverages - (1 on 1, 2 on 1, etc.)
- *point play, shot blocking, pinching, shooting
- *tying up opponents, initiating breakouts
- *checking and angling; reading & reacting . . . and much more

AGES, STRUCTURE, AND ENROLLMENT

We will accept **ages 9-14**. The group is subdivided into 6 "teams" by age and ability. All ice work is done as an individual, with a partner, or in a "station." What you do is important, not what the player does next to you. Enrollment is limited to 6 defensemen per team. Enrollment is first come, first served. This school is a commuter program . . . no housing is provided. **Ages are as of Dec. 31, 2023**



THIS ON ICE PROGRAM

The participants will have two ice sessions daily totaling 3 hours, all geared toward defensemen and the skills they need to succeed.

OFF ICE PROGRAM

Each day the defensemen will have a classroom session. In addition, we will use specifically designed NHL highlight videos to help teach "*hockey sense*", "*reading and reacting*", and *defense skills such as breakouts, pinching, hinging, etc.*

PROGRAM SCHEDULE (Sun.-Wed.)

****The full program begins on Sunday**

- 7:30am *Check-In, orientation and then the day begins*
- 8:15am *Daily Arrival (Mon.-Wed.)*
- 8:45-10:15am *On Ice*
- 10:30-11am *Snack/Break*
- 11am-Noon *Classroom*
- 12:15-1:45pm *On Ice*
- 1:45pm *Day Ends*



FOR BOTH PROGRAMS

OUR LOCAL COORDINATOR – Shari Olson

Shari replaces Clarke Coole who helped run the program for 19 years. Shari, a long time Essentia Duluth Heritage Center administrator, is very connected in the Duluth hockey community. She will handle marketing, details of putting on great camps, and is available to answer all questions.

REGISTRATION/CONFIRMATION E-MAIL and CHECK-IN

All registration is done on-line. Please see the last page (below) for details. Once registered, you will receive an acceptance e-mail explaining how to access the camp final information sheet and medical form.



Check-In for both programs

is Sunday morning, June 11th at 7:30am followed by the "full day". Specifics will be in the final info sheet you will print.

MEDICAL INSURANCE

ALL MUST HAVE THEIR OWN MEDICAL INSURANCE. Neither Mitch Korn nor anyone associated with Korn Camp will be responsible for any medical or dental insurance. All accidents or illness are treated at a nearby hospital. Our medical form is available on our site for all to print. A medical and liability release statement is included on this form. It must be completed and signed by a parent and brought to check-in on the first morning.

COST/DEPOSIT/REFUND POLICY

The cost for each program is as follows:

Goaltender School: \$780 Defense School: \$450

A **non-refundable deposit of \$100 for the Goaltenders and \$75 for the Defensemen** is charged and is applied to your tuition. The payment balance is charged on **May 5**. The complete refund and final payment procedures are a part of the final information sheet. Full payment must accompany any new applications after May 5, should space be available.



EQUIPMENT NEEDED

All players must supply and properly wear their own, full, legal equipment. A camp jersey is provided. Players should be able to dress themselves for the ice. Parental assistance is permissible outside the locker rooms. Individual water bottles are optional.

the ESSENTIA DULUTH HERITAGE CENTER

Located at 120 South 30th Avenue West in Duluth, this beautiful ice facility will be our home.

HOST HOTEL-

We will have a **HOST HOTEL**. More details are on our website in the camp *Final Information Sheet* under "camp forms".

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Steve Kirk... (218) 623-7434 or Mitch Korn... (513) 226-4332

On-Line Registration / Payment Details

We are planning for a “normal” registration in 2023.

Be ready ... Demand will far exceed supply. We are so sorry for that.

- On-line registration begins **WED. JAN. 11, 2023 at 9am** (eastern)
- all enrollment is done on-line accessed via **www.mitchkorn.com** and by clicking the registration prompt on the left side
- **Active Networks** is the service provider
- all fees are paid via credit card
- the **deposit paid reserves your spot**. That deposit is credited to the full camp tuition and is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- the balance of fees (full tuition less deposit) will be charged to the credit card used to register on **May 5**.
- there is a 5% **“registration fee”** on the full camp tuition to cover credit card and admin. fees and is charged at the time you “pay in full”. This fee is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- most credit cards are accepted
- Whether you enroll in camp, or on a wait list, you will receive a **Confirmation E-mail** once the process is complete. If not, check your spam and ensure you provided your correct email address.
- please print your camp’s **Final Information Sheet** and **Medical Form** from the Confirmation E-mail (link within) or from **www.mitchkorn.com** (go to the Camp Forms tab).
- When you register, attempt to place the desired camp(s) in your cart quickly. You will have 13 minutes to log in or create an account and complete the personal application information.
- Should you end up on a wait list, your wait list position is based on when you **CHECK OUT**... so do that quickly. No credit card is required to get on a wait list
- to access your Active account to make payments, edit family info., update credit card, etc., go to:

<https://campsself.active.com/MitchKornsSpecializedHockeyCampsInc2023>

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