OPEN ICE INITIATIVE

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

SOMEBODY TAUGHT YOU. NOW IT IS YOUR TURN.

Camp volunteers are Program Assistants. Each one leads a small house group of campers through the day, under professional coaching: on the ice, at lunch and in the closing circle.



THE HOURS COUNT TOWARD YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE.





ON THE ICE

Support the coaching staff, help beginners up, run stations.

GEAR

Fitting, handout and the Keep Your Gear graduation.

WELCOME DESK

Greet families, check campers in, answer questions.

LOGISTICS

Lunches, water and transitions between sessions.

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open-ice.org

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YOU LEAVE A BETTER LEADER THAN YOU ARRIVED.

WHAT VOLUNTEERS LEARN

To lead a group, to communicate clearly with children and families, to stay calm when a plan changes and to work as one team. Your hours count toward the community service every Ontario student needs to graduate.

THE HEADQUARTERS TEAM

Students who join our twenty-member Headquarters Team build the skills every organization needs: leadership, organization, logistics, budgeting, public speaking and building partnerships. With the founder and an adult administration team, overseen by the board, they run the flagship camps in Toronto and support Open Ice chapters across Ontario.

WHY IT MATTERS

Every child who joins Open Ice has never played hockey before. Over camp they learn to skate, stop, handle a puck and play as a team, and that they belong in a rink.

CHRISTMAS CAMP 2026

Five days, planned at four arenas across Toronto. Exact times go out with the volunteer package. As a guide, at the summer camp volunteers arrived at 7:45 on day one and 8:00 after that, pickup was 3:00, and lunch was provided for volunteers too.



AT CAMP

Wear your Open Ice shirt. Do not post photos or video of campers from your own devices. If a journalist approaches you, send them to Andrew.

HOW TO APPLY

Fill in the volunteer form at **open-ice.org/volunteer** with your name, your age or grade and the dates you can cover. We send the volunteer package and the schedule back.

Questions: openiceinitiative@gmail.com.

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