



Hockey Alberta and the AEHL announced a new U13 Elite Model for 2025-26, which includes the province-wide expansion of U13 AAA. Okotoks Oilers Athletic Association is excited to announce that we have been awarded a U13AAA Oilers team that will compete in this new model next season.

The new U13 Elite model by Hockey Alberta and the AEHL will introduce a greatly enhanced level of competition for the 32 AAA teams in the province while building out a strong base of Elite Players that will support competitive success in U15 Elite, U18 Elite and Junior Hockey in Alberta. The AEHL has become a respected choice for many of Alberta's hockey players over the past four seasons. With the introduction of the new U13 Elite Model, we are optimistic that it will enhance the level of competition and provide even more opportunities for skill development.

#### **KEY INFORMATION – PLAYERS & FAMILIES**

We were informed of province-wide expansion plans in February 2025. Okotoks Oilers Athletic Association is working quickly to develop a game plan for the future.

CURRENT FAQ: We know the membership has numerous questions and we encourage you to read below for answers:

Q: When will tryouts for this team take place?

A: Okotoks Oilers Athletic Association will be hosting Spring Evaluations starting April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Q: When will registration for tryouts open and how much will it cost?

A: Registration will open February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Cost is \$350.

Q: Who can register for tryouts ?

A: Draw Zone for the U13AAA Oilers will include Blackie, High Country, Foothills, Nanton, Vulcan and Okotoks.

If there are any additional questions at this time, please email [admin@okotokshockey.com](mailto:admin@okotokshockey.com) and we will incorporate them into our FAQ document. **For**

**more information on the new U13 Elite Model, please visit [aehl.ca](http://aehl.ca)**