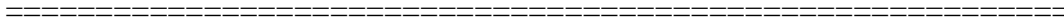




John M. Twaddle Sportsmanship Award

The John M. Twaddle Sportsmanship Award will be presented near the end of each hockey season to a player from an Elk River Bantam level team. The award will be given to a player who exhibits the following characteristics:

- Plays for the love of the game
- Has a well developed sense of fair play
- Respects coaches, teammates, opponents and officials
- Encourages teamwork over individual accomplishment
- Displays a positive “never quit” attitude
- Always tried to improve and develop new skills
- Shows satisfactory school performance



All Bantam level players are invited to submit an application. Those submitting an application are asked to complete the attached form and include their coach’s signature. Nominees will be evaluated by a group of people to include:

- Two members of the ERYHA Board of Directors
- Current coaches/assistants
- The Twaddle Family

If necessary, other members active in Elk River Youth Hockey may be consulted.

The award recipient’s name will be engraved on a memorial plaque to be located in the lobby area of the Elk River Hockey Arena. Additionally, an individual trophy will be presented along with a \$500 savings bond. **The 2012 award will be presented on Thursday, January 12, 2012 at 6:30 pm. All participants are requested to wear their home jersey to this presentation.**

The John M. Twaddle Sportsmanship Award was initiated in the Fall of 1996. This award is dedicated to the memory of John M. Twaddle. At the age of 13 years, he was killed in a traffic accident.

John was active in Elk River Youth Hockey for several years. He participated in both the House and Travel programs. He always maintained a positive attitude toward the sport of ice hockey.

Although he died at a very young age, John has established a reputation for being an aggressive, yet fair player. He gave 100% in games and practices. We will always remember John’s infectious smile and his unparalleled enthusiasm for the game.

