Home-Ice Advantage:

CK HOCKEY
Since 1979, Cranbrook has earned 19 MHSAA State Hockey Titles – more than any other school in Michigan.

History

From its beginning in the mid 1930s, to the inaugural season as a sanctioned MHSAA sport (1979), through today, hockey has always been a successful and distinguished part of the athletic program at Cranbrook Kingswood Upper School.
In 2009, Cranbrook Schools appointed Steve Graf as Director of Upper School Athletics, a program that includes two of the most successful and respected teams in the MHSAA: boys and girls ice hockey.

Graf inherited a program with a long tradition of excellence, but he has helped bring it to a new level by advocating a sports culture based on teamwork, discipline, pride, loyalty, tolerance, respect for others, confidence, perseverance, sportsmanship and citizenship.

These values, and the dedicated coaches who foster them, continue to shape, motivate and inspire our boys and girls hockey teams, both of which celebrated state championships in 2013.

Graf also remains committed to maintaining the highest standards of gender equity across all athletic programs, including ice hockey, so that both our male and female athletes will continue to excel.

Leadership

Program Goals

Build fitness and skills, general and athletic
Develop a positive mental attitude and personal management skills
Instill the benefits of teamwork, perseverance, and self-discipline
Teach the value of good sportsmanship, fair play and respect for others
Through the years, Wallace Arena has become synonymous with CK Hockey. To ensure the facility is outfitted with the space and resources befitting a program of its caliber, Athletic Director Steve Graf and the hockey coaches have proposed a major renovation to address critical needs that have developed over the past twenty years.

Plans include: new locker rooms for the boys and girls varsity and junior varsity teams; a fitness center; new coaching offices; and an alumni room, which can serve as a study hall between practices as well as a gathering place for past and present players.

The project will support the continued growth of the program by creating space for current players to thrive while helping attract the most talented and dedicated athletes of the next generation.

**Dedicated Facilities**
Renovation: Main Level

- Locker Rooms on the arena's north side to be renovated and upgraded for the Girls Varsity and Junior Varsity teams
- More than 1,300 square feet for the girls teams, including laundry, compared to 400 square feet in the current Girls Varsity Locker Room
- Also serves as dedicated space for the Girls Junior Varsity team, which is currently forced to store equipment under the bleachers

- Girls Varsity Locker Room in the arena’s southeast corner to be renovated and upgraded for the Boys Junior Varsity team, who currently have insufficient storage for equipment
- Two-story addition will also create space on the main level for a new Boys Varsity Locker Room, training room, laundry room and coaching offices

Conceptual Sketch: Design subject to change
Addition: Second Level

- Second story to include an alumni room with gathering space for current and former players and families
- Alumni room can also be used as a study hall for players before and/or after practice
- Second story will also include a fitness center accessible to all four teams

Conceptual Sketches: Designs subject to change
The estimated cost of the project is $1.2 million, to be financed entirely through philanthropy.

Cranbrook is currently seeking leadership commitments to secure the funds that are needed to make the addition and renovation a reality. Naming opportunities are available at various levels. Spaces include:

- Alumni Room
- Boys Varsity Locker Room*
- Boys Junior Varsity Locker Room
- Girls JV and Varsity Suite
- Weight Room
- Coaching Offices

All contributions of $25,000 or more will also be recognized on an aggregate plaque to be mounted in the Ice Arena.

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For More Information

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