**Kanata Major Atom Rep B - 2018/19**

Hello parents and players. My name is Trevor Wood and I am happy to be selected as a coach of the Major Atom Rep B team this year.

I have coached hockey at the youth level for many years with the previous six being with the Kanata Minor Hockey Association in various roles including head coach of the Minor Atom B team last season.

Although this is a competitive team, my coaching philosophy has always been for players to have fun, develop their hockey skills and gain confidence. I expect players will work hard, play with discipline and encourage and support their teammates. Individual hockey skills will be developed while they learn to play as a team. Practices will be focused and deliberate and through repetition, players will be able to complete various drills at a higher speed, gaining confidence in game situations as the season progresses.

Competitive hockey is a big time and financial commitment with the expectation for 4-5 team events per week including games, practices, team building and off-ice training. Team fees ranging from $1400 to $1700 should be expected and is dependent on the amount of fundraising the team can generate. Team fees are over and above the KMHA registration fees.

Tournament commitments for the upcoming season include 3 local and 1 away:

1. Capital Blues Hockey Fest (September 28-30, 2018)
2. Silverstick - Pembroke (November 9-11, 2018)
3. Bell Capital Cup (December 27-31, 2018)
4. Preston International Tournament - Kitchener (January 12-14, 2019)

The tryout schedule has not been confirmed but the dates and times are expected be posted on the KMHA website ([www.kmha.ca](http://www.kmha.ca)) in August. I will contact each family to confirm the schedule when it is made available. The team will be selected by me with the assistance of independent and experienced evaluators. The team will be made up of players who work hard, have discipline and are willing to learn.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by email trevorwood@sympatico.ca . I look forward to seeing you at the tryouts.

Trevor Wood

Head Coach

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