Welcome to the 2016/17 hockey season!

My name is Scott Goodfellow and I have been a head coach for KMHA for 6 years. I am very excited to be coaching this year's Major Atom A team.

My coaching philosophy to provide a competitive environment that helps harness and grow their passion for the sport. Hockey can provide so many lessons that are transferable to all parts of these kid's lives. I treat these kids like hockey players and teach them how to work harder than they have ever worked in a way that is fun and fulfilling.

Practices

Skills! Skills! Skills! 80% of practice time will revolve around individual skill development with the remaining 20% focused on individual and team tactics.

Fair Ice

I believe it's important to try and win every game but not at all costs. At this age, it is important for the kids to be exposed to all situations in a hockey game. Power Play, Penalty kill and other critical situations. I may juggle my lines during a game but will NEVER shorten my bench in order to win a game.

Dress Code

A team dress code will be in effect:

- Good pants (no jeans), shirt, tie and Blazers jacket for all games and tournaments
- Dress pants, shirt, tie and Blazers jacket for all games for coaches, Blazers track suit for trainers

Trv-outs

Tryouts will consist of skating and skill evaluations as well as competitions and scrimmages to help in picking the 17 players who will be a part of this years team. I will have independent third party evaluators who will assist me in the selection process. The team will be looking for skilled, hard working players willing to battle and who are eager to learn.

Tournaments

Local

Goldrush – Sept. 23-25 Fall Classic – Nov. 4-6 Bell Capital Cup - Dec. 29-31

<u>Away</u>

Niagara Falls Early Bird – Niagara Falls, ON – Sept.16-18 Silver Stick Regional – Sudbury, ON – Dec. 1-3

*If we win the silver stick regional, there will be a 3rd away tournament in January 2017.

Time and Money

Families can expect 4-5 ice times per week that will likely include a mid-week, before school, 7-8am skills session. Team fees will be approx.. \$1500 for the season and will be divided up into 3 payments. In addition, some fundraising will be required.

Have a great summer! Rest up! It's going to be a busy season!

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