

KANATA BLAZERS MINOR MIDGET AA (2019/20)

My name is Kevin Forbes and I am excited and honored to be named the head coach of the Kanata Blazers Minor Midget AA team.

Joining me will be assistant coach Trevor Packard. Trevor has played AAA and Junior hockey in Ottawa, and will provide first-hand experience and lessons learned for those looking to advance to the next level.

Development is our top priority and that comes in practice, team events, and game play. Our practices and team events will focus on teaching good habits and promoting competitive intensity and focus while building confidence in each player in all game situations.

Players are expected to arrive at tryouts in-shape and ready to compete for a spot. We are looking for players that are willing to push themselves and their teammates to be their best. Our selection process will prioritize **work ethic, willingness to compete, attitude, and commitment.**

There are 4 tournaments planned although this may change based on acceptance.

Key dates:

Sept. 20-22	Tournament - Capital Gold Rush (Gloucester)
Sept. 29	Showcase / Season start
Oct. 25-27	Tournament – Justin Williams AA (Northumberland)
Nov. 15-17	Tournament – OneHockey (Syracuse)
Dec. 15	All-star game
Dec. 24 – Jan. 1	Holiday break
Jan. 3-5	Tournament - Capital Winter Classic (Kanata)
Feb. 4	Playoffs start
Mar. 13-22	March Break
Mar. 31	Playoffs end

As with any competitive sport, hockey takes commitment (both time and financial). Players can expect mandatory team activities 4 to 5 times per week. This will include both on and off ice sessions.

Families should anticipate team fees of approximately \$2,000 per player in addition to the KHMA registration and try out fees.

Tryout dates will be posted on the [KMHA website](#) and I will reach out to registered players to confirm tryout times with you.

If you or your athlete has any questions, please feel free to reach out. See you in September!

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