



## **Players and Parents: Welcome to the 2021-2022 Hockey Season!**

My name is Travis Gloyn and I am very excited to be the Head Coach for this year's Kanata Blazers U10 A (2012s) Hockey Team. Through hockey, I have been very fortunate to make many great friendships, positive experiences & learn key life lessons. Coaching is my way to share those wonderful memories to the next generation. My hope is that they will develop the same admiration that I have for the game of hockey. I have coached in various roles within KMHA since 2017 and it is now an honour to be trusted to lead this team and provide your child with a challenging but rewarding, positive fun hockey experience.

### **Coaching Philosophy:**

My approach to coaching is to create an environment that's FUN and FAMILY (team) oriented driven by my passion and enthusiasm. Our team will be FAST (mental and physical speed), FOCUSED (strong work ethic and determined) and have a Growth Mindset. Safety and Respect will be cornerstones to the team's activities whether on or off the ice.

Our team is young, so I will keep things simple, open, and honest. Trust and confidence at this age is paramount to their development. Whether in hockey or life, my door is always open.

### **Essentially, a Fast, Focused Family will be a lot of FUN!**

### **Season Expectations:**

As with all competitive sports, playing competitive hockey is a serious time commitment for players and their families. Assuming we return to a normal hockey season, team fees for the season are budgeted between \$1400 and \$1700 per player on top of tryout and registration fees. It is also expected that each player be outfitted in a KMHA track suit at your cost. Sponsorship and fundraising activities will help reduce these fees.

The following is an estimate of the time required from September to March:

- Averaging 4-5 activities per week including:
  - 3-5 Ice times per week including games and practices;
  - 1 Off-ice training weekly to bi-weekly;
  - 1 Off-ice team building and/or community involvement event per month; and,
- 4-5 tournaments, 2 in town, and 2-3 out of town.

### **Evaluations:**

The tryout schedule will be posted on [www.kmha.ca](http://www.kmha.ca). I will also be contacting each family to confirm tryout times. Evaluations will be done by an independent 3<sup>rd</sup> party panel (non-parent) with final decisions falling to myself. The evaluation process will consist of on-ice practice sessions and inter-squad games. I'm looking for skilled players that will compete hard while showing they can be a good teammate.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. Have a great rest of the summer and we'll see you on the ice real soon!

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