



Kanata U14 Rep B - (2022-2023)

Hello, my name is Shawn LeBouthillier and I am honored to be selected as the coach of the U14 Rep B team for the 2022-2023 season. I have coached the Capital City Condors and for the past 8 years with the Kanata Minor Hockey Association in various roles. I am hoping that this year will be a normal season unlike the past two seasons.

I believe that no matter what level of hockey the kids are playing they first and foremost, need to feel safe, cared about, respected and feel successful. I have a very positive approach when it comes to coaching, while also setting clear expectations and boundaries for the players. I understand that every player comes to the rink with different experiences, backgrounds, readiness and goals and I try to meet them where they are at. I am focused on providing an opportunity for the players to develop their individual skills, team play, develop relationships and a joy for the sport. As a coach, I feel it is important to be aware that kids have different strengths and weaknesses and I recognize that they develop at different paces, but I expect each player to come to each practice and game prepared and ready to work hard.

As most people already know, competitive hockey is a big time and financial commitment. Players and parents should expect to have team events for 4-6 times per week including games, practices, team building and off-ice training. Team fees ranging from \$1700-1900 should be expected, these are separate from the KMHA registration fees. This season we plan to play in at least 4 tournaments (2 away and 2 local).

The tryout schedule will be posted on the KMHA website (www.kmha.ca) in August. Once the schedule has been confirmed, I will contact each family to confirm the dates and times. The team will be selected by me with the assistance of independent and experienced evaluators. We will be looking for players who are respectful, disciplined, willing to work hard and are good team players.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at thebootsfamily09@gmail.com. I look forward to seeing you at the tryouts.

Shawn LeBouthillier

Head Coach

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