

# Raptors Hockey Club

2021-22 Bantam A Program Guide

# **ORGANIZATION**

#### **Affiliation:**

Raptors Hockey Club is a member of USA Hockey under the local affiliate Carolina Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA)

## Memberships:

Carolinas Hockey League (CHL)

# Organization Executives:

- Stan Misthios
- Ed Levens



# RAPTORS HOCKEY CLUB

## **Philosophy:**

In just 3 seasons, Raptors Hockey Club has quickly emerged as the "Organization of Culture" for youth hockey in Raleigh, NC.

Raptors HC provides an environment that will encourage our Coaches and Team Managers to act with autonomy to nurture and develop guidelines that will cater to the needs of the specific players and families on their team.

Raptors HC will work with Player Development and Player Advancement as our primary goal and guiding principle. Families of the hockey community continue to look to us to provide a positive, structured, supportive, competitive, safe, and fun environment for their kids – and we will do everything to accept, respect, flourish and deliver under these responsibilities that we take seriously.

Raptors HC will continue to prioritize providing hockey families with more ice time, more programming, and more accountability for lower registration fees than the other local hockey groups.



# **BANTAM A TEAM**

#### **Team Staff:**

#### **Head Coach**

Steve Hoffman

#### **Assistant Coaches**

- Ben Chapman
- Matt Cross

#### **Team Roster:**

Team will roster a total of 16-17 players (9/6/1 or 9/6/2)



# **DEVELOPMENT FOCUS**

Evaluations will be conducted to provide feedback and communication to players and parents throughout the season.

Coaching staff will conduct individual player evaluations at key intervals during the hockey season:

- 1) Post Training Camp Evaluation
- 2) Mid-Season Evaluation
- 3) End-of-Season Evaluation



# ON ICE DEVELOPMENT

#### **Pre-Season Team Training Camp:**

• 6 Hours On Ice (1.5 hours Friday, 3 hours Saturday, 1.5 hours Sunday)

#### On Ice Team Practice:

- 1 Hour Weekly (typically in Wake Forest, but could be rotated)
- 2020-21 was Wednesday 5:30 PM in Wake Forest, 1 practice/month in Cary

#### **On Ice Development:**

- 1 Hour Weekly, 2020-21 was Mon 6:15 PM in Wake Forest (Skating/Agility/Puck Control)
- 1 Hour Weekly, 2020-21 was Thurs 5:45 PM in Wake Forest (Shooting & Scoring)

#### **Total On Ice for Team Practice & Development: 81 Hours!**



# OFF ICE DEVELOPMENT

## **Conditioning:**

- Players will run a timed mile three times throughout the season to measure how their endurance increases:
  - Training camp
  - Mid-season
  - End of season
- A conditioning session will be held weekly before or after team practice session\*
  - Session will be maximum of 30 minutes
  - Players will run a mile and/or perform conditioning exercises (push-ups, squats, wall sits, etc)

\* Note: This is dependent on practice time slot and allowing the families to get home at a reasonable time



# PRE-SEASON TRAINING CAMP

August 2021, featuring both ON and OFF ICE team building sessions daily:

#### **OFF ICE**

- Individual and Team Goal Setting
- Player Handbook
- Hockey System Implementation
- Personal Brand Statements
- Personal ABC's
- Concussion Symposium
- Nutrition Discussion
- Fitness Evaluation
- Agility and Strength Work
- Team Lunch and/or dinner

#### **ON ICE**

- Hockey System Implementation
- Agility and Strength Work
- Player Evaluations
- PTH Hockey Instruction
- Power Skating
- Shooting and Scoring
- Puck Control
- Skating Treadmill
- Passing
- Defensive Zone Coverage



# **EXTRA TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT**

# The team will take full advantage of the Prime Time Hockey training facility in two ways:

- 8 90-min Team Training sessions for an additional 12 hours of training & development
- 30-min shooting sessions (½ team each week) in small groups following one of the team's on ice sessions in Wake Forest





# **GAMES**

# The team plans to play in the Bantam Division of the Carolinas Hockey League (CHL):

- 16 Games = CHL Schedule (based on 5 team division)
- •8 Games = "Home & Home" matchups vs. 2 Teams\*
- 16 Games = 4 Tournaments (potential for extra games)

#### **Total Games: 40**

\*Additional 8 games in Raleigh if team elects to play in local tournaments

\*\*Potential for additional exhibition games to be played



# **HOME ICE**

- The Raptors HC will *contract* the following time slots for team home games:
  - Saturday's at 2:15 PM or 4:00 PM
  - Sunday's at 8:45 AM or 10:30 AM
- Allotted Ice Time for Games: 75 & 90 min

- Number of Home weekends: 6
  - Potential for adding a 7<sup>th</sup> home weekend as practice or games



# **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

In addition to developing our players on the ice, Raptors HC encourages its players to help develop and contribute to our local community.

It will be our goal to have the entire team participate in a minimum of 3 hours of Community Service.

Some of the community service projects from past seasons:

- Christmas Stockings for Assisted Living Facility
- Toys for Tots Toy Drive
- JDRF One Walk for Type 1 Diabetes awareness



# **RAPTORS HC COLORS**





# **EQUIPMENT PACKAGE**

#### Included as part of the package:

- Home and Away Game Jerseys
- Home and Away Game Socks
- Practice Jersey
- Practice Socks
- 3-color Hockey Pant Shells
- Raptors Hockey Bag
- Raptors Athletic Shorts
- Raptors Dry-Fit Athletic T-Shirt
- Helmet stickers
- Raptors Tracksuit Jacket and Pants
- Raptors Bauer Hockey Gloves

\*If you're new to the Raleigh Raptors this season you are required to purchase the apparel/uniform package. If you're a returning family and your items still fit and they are in good condition, they can be reused this season!

\*All players must provide their own white helmet.

**COST: \$565.00** 

(approx. cost calculated from last years pricing)



# **VALUE**

#### We encourage you to compare:

- 99 Total Hours of Training & Development
- Training & Development under the supervision of a Development Staff with over 45 years of experience directing Advanced Skating and Hockey curriculums
- 40+ Hockey Games
- Set days and location for Home Games
- Average per hour cost of instruction/game time is \$26.57 or approx. \$11 more than an hour of stick and puck

### All for a Registration Fee of \$4,045\*

- \*Equipment & Apparel package will be approximately \$535
- \*Final roster numbers will determine actual program costs



# COVID-19

No one can accurately plan for the current state of the world and the impact COVID-19 has had on our lives. The changes that have taken place and the uncertainty of when things might return to normal are unprecedented.

As we build-out and implement our team's programs for 2021-22, our number one priority will be the safety and well-being of our players, families and coaches.

With that said, we feel confident that we are on the way back to what used to resemble our "normal". We also believe that COVID-19 will still have a presence in our 2021-22 season, so **FLEXIBILITY** will still be a big part of our approach. We will be flexible with our programming to allow our teams to safely practice and train. We will be flexible with our facility hours to give smaller groups of players an opportunity to complete sessions. We will be flexible with our plans to reflect what we *can do*, and **NOT** what *we think is possible*.



# **PAYMENT OPTIONS**

There will be 4 options available for payment of registration fees.

All payments made by credit card will be subject to an additional 3% fee.

### **Option 1: Full Payment**

- Full payment of \$3,995 upon signing
- \$50 discount from full fee of \$4,045

#### **Option 3: 4 Payments**

- \$1,550 upon signing
- \$1,000 July 2, 2021
- \$795 August 6, 2021
- \$700 September 3, 2021

#### **Option 2: 3 Payments**

- \$2,045 upon signing
- \$1,000 July 2, 2021
- \$1,000 August 6,2021

### **Option 4: 5 Payments**

- \$1,100 upon signing
- \$800 July 2, 2021
- \$800 August 6, 2021
- \$800 September 3, 2021
- \$545 October 1, 2021

