

Raptors Hockey Club

2023-24 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)
Carolina Hockey Alliance (CHA)

Organization Executives:

- Stan Misthios
- Ed Levens
- Pamela Mitchell
- Richard Tooke



RAPTORS Hockey Club

Philosophy:

In just 5 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 will 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.



PEEWEE A TEAM

Team Staff:

Head Coach - Ben Chapman

Team Manager – Bryan Wilson

Assistant Coach – Ethan Battiston

Assistant Coach – Sean McGhee

Assistant Coach – Robin Halabicki

Team Roster:

Team will roster a total of 16 or 17, or 18 players.

(Either 9/6/1 or 9/6/2 or 10-6-2 or 10/6/1)

* Team will be made up of both 2010 & 2009 birth year players.



HOME ICE

- The Raptors Hockey Club will once again contract its ice slots for consistency of home game times:
 - Saturday's for 3 games. Saturday home games during the 2020-21 season were 3:15pm & 4:45pm & 6:15pm & 7:45pm @ Factory Wake Forest, per contracted ice.
 - **Sunday's for 3 games.** Most Sunday home games during the 2020-21 season were 6:45am & 8:15am & 9:45am & 11:15am @ Factory Wake Forest, per contracted ice.
- Allotted Ice Time for Games: 75 & 90 min
- Minimum number of Home weekends: 6
 - Potential for adding a 7th home weekend as practice or games.



GAMES

The team will plan to play in the Lower A of CHL, usually consisting of:

- 16 Games = "Home & Home" League matchups Vs. 4 Teams in Division
- 8 Games = "Home & Home" Independent Exhibition Games
- 16 Games = 4 Tournaments (potential for extra games).

Total Games: 40, of which 16-24 will be in Raleigh.

2023-24 H&H Targets will be:

The St.James Carolina Rage Queen City Royals* Reston Raiders*

Jr. Hurricanes* NC Golden Bears* Triad Storm Wilmington Seahawks*

(...away games may increase if team chooses to play in additional tournaments)



^{*} Teams played in 2022-23 Season

ONCE THE PASSION FOR TRAINING HAS BEEN IGNITED... DREAMS CAN COME TRUE !!!





ICE TIME & DEVELOPMENT

Pre-Season Team Training Camp:

6 Hours On Ice (4 days @ 1.5hrs/daily, over course of a full weekend in August 2023)

On Team Ice Practice:

- 1 weekly practice, where Raptors Bantam A team will be the only team on the ice.

 (traditionally @ Factory Wake Forest, but could potentially be rotated between Cary & IcePlex)
- 2022-23 Time Slot: Fridays 6:00pm & Raleigh IcePlex.

On Ice Development:

- 1 Hour Weekly, Advanced Skating/Agility/Puck Control with Prime Time Hockey school.
- 1 Hour Weekly, Advanced Shooting & Scoring with Prime Time Hockey school.

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



EXTRA TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

The team will take full advantage of the Prime Time Hockey training facility with:

- 8 (90-min) Training sessions for an additional 9 hours of training & development.
- These sessions will be structured as:
 - 30min Skating Treadmill Training
 - 60min Specialized Shooting Training
 - (potential to utilize 30min video review or 30 min off-ice fitness training)





SPECIALIZED EXTRA TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

ALL Raptors Bantam A players will receive 1 complimentary semi-private lesson from Prime Time Hockey:

- Sessions will take place during the ice times offered at Factory Ice House for small group private lessons.
- Sessions will be 60 minutes in length

 *Families will be required to cover the cost for Stick/Puck
 Registration





THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Part of the Development Process for the Raptors Squirt Team will be to have an open line of communication with players and parents thru Individual Evaluations.

The coaching staff will conduct individual player evaluations in 3 phases during the hockey season:

- 1) Mid-Season Evaluation.
- 2) Final Evaluation at Season's End.



OUR COLORS





COMMUNITY SERVICE

In addition to developing our players on the ice, Raptors HC will aim to have our players help develop and improve parts of our local community.

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

During past seasons, our Raptors Peewees cleaned the memorial stones along the 3rd Special Forces Group Memorial Walk at Fort Bragg, and also organized









VALUE

We ENCOURAGE you to compare:

- 90 Total Hours of Training & Development
- 68 Total Hours of Training & Development under the supervision of a professional training staff with over 30 years of experience working and directing advanced Skating and Hockey curriculums
- 40 Hockey Games
- Set times, days and location for Home Games

All for a Registration Fee of \$4,265

*Equipment & Apparel package was \$515 in 2022-23. An 'A La Cart" menu will be made available for returning Raptors that don't require entire package.



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 \$4,245 upon signing
- \$50 discount from full fee of \$4,295

Option 3: 4 Payments

- \$1,295 upon signing
- \$1075 June 12, 2023
- \$1000 July 18, 2023
- \$925 on August 24, 2023

Option 2: 3 Payments

- \$1,595 upon signing
- \$1,375 June 28, 2023
- \$1,325 August 18,2023

Option 4: 5 Payments

- \$975 upon signing
- \$900 June 6, 2023
- \$850 July 2, 2023
- \$810 August 8, 2023
- \$760 September 1, 2023



EQUIPMENT PACKAGE

Included as part of the package:

- Personalized, high quality Home and Away game jerseys.

- High quality Home and Away game socks.
- Personalized, high quality canvas hockey bag.
- High quality, 3-color pant shells.
- Track suits, jacket & pants.
- Pair of dry-fit athletic shorts.
- Dry-fit athletic tee shirt.
- Helmet Stickers

Optional equipment add on:

- Customized Raptors hockey gloves.



^{*}Players must provide their own white helmet.





#1 REASON TO BE A RAPTOR ???

Easy...!

Because after all of the ice time, the development, the culture, and the value - when it comes to the kids...we just know how to have the most fun and create the best memories !!!









NOTES

