



Raptors Hockey Club

2025-26 U16 A Program Guide

ORGANIZATION

Affiliation:

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

Memberships:

Atlantic Coast Hockey Conference (ACHC)

Carolina Hockey Alliance (CHA)

Carolinas Hockey League (CHL)

Organization Executives:

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



RAPTORS Hockey Club

Philosophy:

In just 7 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.

See the next slide for an illustration of how our culture and approach off the ice provides direct, impactful results on the ice!!



WINNING Off the ice = WINNING On the Ice !



2024-2025

WIN 1 of 3 North Carolina Championships, and proceed to WIN the **USA Hockey National Championship !!!**

2023-2024

WIN 2 of the 3 North Carolina Championships to represent CAHA at USA Hockey Nationals at Tier2

2022-2023

WIN 1 of the 3 North Carolina Championships to represent CAHA at USA Hockey Nationals at Tier2



2024-2025

Of the 8 Raptors teams that played in the 2nd season of the ACHC - 2 teams walked away with Championships, while 4 others finished as the runner up finalists.

2023-2024

For the Inaugural season of the ACHC, the Raptors had teams participate in each of the 2 divisions that the new Conference launched. No Championships, but 1 of our 2 teams gave themselves a chance by reaching the Finals.



2024-2025

WON the Silver Stick Regional Championship to advance to International Finals and finished 6th place overall.

2023-2024

WON the Silver Stick Regional Championship to advance to International Finals and finished 9th place overall.



2024-2025

Raptors had 45.9% of the players selected to the final rosters – more than any other Club

2023-2024

Raptors had more players selected to the rosters than any other Club, making up 45.7% of the total players chosen at tryouts.

2022-2023

Raptors had 34.8% of the players selected to the final rosters – more than any other Club.



2024-2025

Of the 2 teams that the Raptors had in the CHL – both of them finished as the runner up finalists in their division.

2023-2024

Of the 6 teams that the Raptors had in the CHL - 3 of them WON the CHL Championship (50% winning rate)

2022-2023

Raptors had 10 teams play in the league – 5 of them WON the CHL Championship (50% winning rate), and 2 others finishing as runner up finalist.



U16 A TEAM RECENT HISTIRY

2023 & 2024 BACK-TO-BACK CHL CHAMPIONS:



2025-2026 U16 A TEAM

Team Staff:

Head Coach – Ben Chapman

Team Manager – Bryan Wilson

Assistant Coach – Sean McGhee

Assistant Coach – Robin Halabicki

Assistant Coach – Keith Michlik

Team Roster:

Team will roster a total of 18, or 19 or 20 players.

(Either 10/6/2 or 11/6/2 or 12-6-2 or 10/7/2)

** Team will be made up of both 2009 & 2010 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 4 games.** Saturday home games during the 2024-25 season were 3:15pm & 4:45pm & 6:15pm & 7:45pm @ Factory Wake Forest, per contracted ice.
 - **Sunday's for 4 games.** Most Sunday home games during the 2024-25 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 either the ACHC or 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 20-26 will be in Raleigh.

2025-26 H&H and Tournament Targets will be :

NC Golden Bears* **Tampa, FL**

Queen City Royals* **Reston Raiders**

Carolina Thunder* **Jr.Hurricanes***

Triad Storm*

Wilmington Seahawks*

** Teams played in 2024-25 Season*

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



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:

- 2 weekly practice, where Raptors U16A team will be the only team on the ice.
(traditionally @ Factory Wake Forest, but could potentially be rotated between Cary & IcePlex)
- 2024-25 Time Slot : Wednesdays 5:30pm & Factory Ice House.
- Additional slot to be added either 4:15pm after school, or after 8:30pm in evening.

On Ice Development:

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

Total On Ice for Team Practice & Development : 68 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 U16A 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 Bantam 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 U16 A team participate together in a minimum of 3 hours of Community Service.

During past seasons, this group of Raptors players have cleaned the memorial stones along the 3rd Special Forces Group Memorial Walk at Fort Bragg, organized Christmas Toy Drives, and filled backpacks with school supplies for students.



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 \$4,365

**Equipment & Apparel package was \$565 in 2024-25. 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 \$4,315 upon signing
- \$50 discount from full fee of \$4,365

Option 3: 4 Payments

- \$1,295 upon signing
- \$1075 June 18, 2025
- \$1025 July 20, 2025
- \$970 on August 24, 2025

Option 2: 3 Payments

- \$1,695 upon signing
- \$1,375 June 28, 2025
- \$1,295 August 18, 2025

Option 4: 5 Payments

- \$995 upon signing
- \$925 June 6, 2025
- \$875 July 2, 2025
- \$825 August 8, 2025
- \$745 September 1, 2025



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.

**Equipment & Apparel package was \$565 for 24-25, it will be slightly higher for 25-26..*

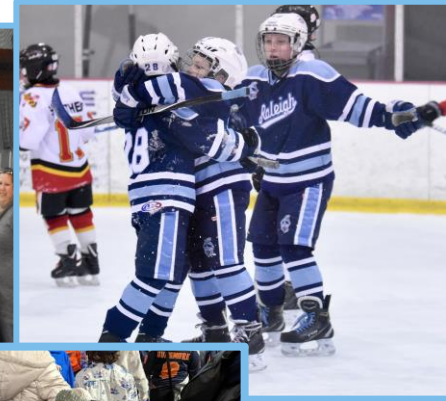
**Players must provide their own white helmet.*



#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

