



# Raptors Hockey Club

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2026-27 U16AA Program Guide

# ORGANIZATION

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## Affiliation:

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

## Memberships:

Carolinas Hockey League (CHL)

Atlantic Coast Hockey Conference (ACHC)

Carolina Hockey Alliance AAA (CHA)

## Organization Executives:

- Stan Misthios
- Ed Levens
- Bryan Wilson
- Richard Tooke



# RAPTORS Hockey Club

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## Philosophy:

In just 8 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 2 slides 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 !



## 2025-2026

11 Raptors teams played in the ACHC. Of the 8 divisions with playoffs, Raptors qualified 7 teams, with 4 of those teams finished 1<sup>st</sup> in their division in the regular season. 3 teams made Semi-Finals, 3 finished as the runner-up Finalists – **and 1 Wins the ACHC Championship.**

## 2024-2025

Of the 8 Raptors teams that played in the 2<sup>nd</sup> season of the ACHC - **2 teams Win the ACHC Championship**, while 4 others finished as the runner-up Finalists.

## 2023-2024

Raptors had 2 teams participate for inaugural season of the ACHC, with 1 Finalist after making Championship Game.



## 2025-2026

Participated in the Silver Stick regional for the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive year and advanced to the Semi-Finals before getting eliminated.

## 2024-2025

**WON the Silver Stick Regional Championship** to advance to International Finals and finished 6<sup>th</sup> place overall.

## 2023-2024

**WON the Silver Stick Regional Championship** to advance to International Finals and finished 9<sup>th</sup> place overall.



## 2025-2026

Raptors had 29.1% of the players selected to the final rosters – more than any other Club

## 2024-2025

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

## 2023-2024

Raptors had 45.7% of the players selected to the final rosters – more than any other Club,

## 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.



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## 2025-2026

U16 Raptors finish 2-1 in Divisional play but did not advance to elimination round as 1 of the final 8 teams

## 2024-2025

U18 Raptors **WIN USA Hockey National Championship !!!**

## 2023-2024

Raptors send 2 teams to Nationals!  
U14 Raptors finish as Finalists after losing the Championship Final Game in OT.  
U18 Raptors did not advance to elimination round as 1 of the final 8 teams

## 2022-2023

Raptors make 1<sup>st</sup> appearance at USA Hockey Nationals!!!  
U18 Raptors advance to elimination round as one of the final 8 teams, lose to the eventual Champion.



## 2025-2026

Raptors send 3 teams to North Carolina State Championships and ALL 3 advance to the Championship Game.

## 2024-2025

Raptors send 3 teams to North Carolina State Championships.

**Raptors U18 Win State Championship!**

## 2023-2024

Raptors send 2 teams to North Carolina State Championships and BOTH advance to the Championship Game.

## 2022-2023

Raptors send 3 teams to North Carolina State Championships and 1 advances to the Championship Game.

**Raptors U16 Win State Championship!**

**Raptors U14 AND U18 BOTH Win State Championship!**

**Raptors U18 Win the Club's first ever State Championship!**



# RAPTORS U16AA TEAM

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## Team Staff:

Head Coach – Richard Tooke

Team Manager – TBA

Assistant Coach – Curran Murphy

Assistant Coach – Justin Lockett

Assistant Coach – Ethan Battiston

## Team Roster:

Team will roster a total of 19 or 20 players.

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

## Competitive Level:

Locally in Raleigh: AA

ACHC Level: AA

Outside of Raleigh: AA



# HOME ICE

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- The Raptors Hockey Club will once again contract its time slots for home games:
  - **Saturday's for 1 game.** Saturday home games during the 2025-26 season were 3:15pm & 4:45pm, 6:15pm & 7:45pm @ Factory Wake Forest, per contracted ice.
  - **Sunday's for 1 game.** Sunday home games during the 2025-26 season were 6:45am, 8:15am, 9:45am OR 11:15am @ Factory Wake Forest, per contracted ice.
- 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.



# GAMES

**The team will plan to play in the ACHC.**

- 24 Games = "Home & Home" matchups vs 6 teams, could include ACHC.
- 16 Games = 4 Tournaments (potential for extra games)
- 2 Games = Team will be open to adding Exhibition or Extra Games

## 2026-27 H&H Targets will be:

**The St.James  
Greenville Rage**

**Queen City Royals  
NC Golden Bears**

**Atlanta Phoenix  
Potomac Patriots**

**Charleston Jr. Stingrays  
Reston Raiders**

## 2026-27 Tournament Targets will be:

**Raleigh (Local)**

**Charleston, SC**

**Hershey, PA**

**Charlotte, NC**

**D.C. Area**

**Total Games: 40-42, of which 22-26 will be games in Raleigh.**



# ICE TIME & DEVELOPMENT

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

- 6 Hours On Ice (Most likely over one full weekend in August 2026)

## **On Ice Practice:**

- 2 Hours Weekly (most likely @ Factory Wake Forest, but could potentially move)
- 2025-26 Time Slot : Day varied between Tues & Thursday @ Factory Wake Forest.\*
- 2025-26 Time Slot : Times varied between 4:15pm, 6:00pm & 9:15pm.\*

## **On Ice Development:**

- 1 Hour Bi-Monthly Optional Opt-In, 2025-26 was Mon 8:30pm @ Factory Wake Forest (Skating/Agility/Puck)
- 1 Hour Bi-Monthly Optional Opt-In, 2025-26 was Thur 7:15pm @ Factory Wake Forest (Shooting & Scoring)

*\*Schedule for 2026-27 sessions could vary slightly...at least one likely to stay same.*

**Total On Ice for Team Practice & Development : 72 Hours**



# Pre Season Training Camp

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Will take place in August 2026, featuring both ON and OFF ICE team building sessions daily :

## • OFF ICE FEATURES

- 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 FEATURES

- 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

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**The team will take full advantage of the Prime Time Hockey training facility in 2 ways:**

- 6 90-min Team Training sessions for an additional 9 hours of training & development
- All Raptors U16AA players will receive 1 complimentary semi-private lessons from Prime Time Hockey:
  - Sessions will take place during the Coaches Corner ice times offered at Factory Ice House, or in the PTH Training Facility.
  - Sessions will be 60 minutes in length

*\*Families will be required to cover the cost for ice if Coaches Corner*



# THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

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Part of the Development Process for the Raptors U16AA 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) Post Training Camp Evaluation. (Written and in person)
- 2) Mid-Season Evaluation. (Written and In person by request)
- 3) Final Evaluation at Season's End. (In person by request)



# OUR COLORS



# COMMUNITY SERVICE

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

It will be a goal to have our entire U16AA team participate together in a minimum of 3 hours of Community Service.



*Over the past 6 seasons the Raptors filled and delivered Xmas Stockings for a senior citizens home and disaster victims, participated in the JDRF One Walk for Type 1 Diabetes awareness and fundraising. In 2020 the Covid-19 Pandemic did not stop our players from organizing both Toy Drive and Food Drive donation campaigns. This past season the team attended Miracle League.*



# Payment Options

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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 \$4,595 upon signing
- \$50 discount from full fee of \$4,645

## Option 3: 4 Payments

- \$1,415 upon signing
- \$1,175 June 6, 2026
- \$1,060 July 15, 2026
- \$995 on August 26, 2026

## Option 2: 3 Payments

- \$1,695 upon signing
- \$1,475 June 28, 2026
- \$1,475 August 22, 2026

## Option 4: 5 Payments

- \$995 upon signing
- \$965 June 6, 2026
- \$925 July 9, 2026
- \$895 August 10, 2026
- \$865 September 8, 2026



# EQUIPMENT PACKAGE

## Included as part of the Raptors U16 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 \$585 in 25-26. It will be slightly higher for 26-27.*

*\*Players must provide their own white helmet and navy hockey gloves.*



# #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

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