

Dear Parents and Players,

I am beyond excited to be back for the 2025/26 season, and I feel incredibly privileged to continue working with the amazing Carleton Place Cyclones organization. It's an honor to be part of a community that values both growth and success, and I can't wait to build on the strong foundation we've established together.

Hockey has been a huge part of my life for as long as I can remember. Now, as a coach, it's a true privilege to help young athletes grow not only as players but also as individuals. This community is incredibly special to me, and I'm committed to ensuring that the Carleton Place Cyclones remain one of the best and safest places for your daughters to play hockey.

At the heart of my coaching philosophy are three simple yet powerful principles:

- Enjoy and Have Fun
- Compete All the Time and always show effort
- Be a Great Teammate

While skill development is a priority, my main goal as your coach is to create a positive, supportive environment where our players can thrive. This means focusing on building confidence, honing skills, and ensuring safety both on and off the ice. I firmly believe the lessons we learn through sports—teamwork, discipline, respect, and perseverance—are invaluable. I will work tirelessly to ensure every player has the opportunity to grow in these areas.

For the upcoming season, we are planning to participate in four (4) tournaments, with a mix of home and away events. I want to make you aware that we may play regular season games against a team from Canton, New York, which will require crossing the border for some games and a possible tournament. The season will consist of 3-5 on and off-ice events per week, and as this is a competitive team, attendance at all practices and events is crucial. Your commitment to the team is vital to both individual and collective success. Please respect your coaches, teammates, and the team's goals by making sure you are fully committed to attending all scheduled events. I appreciate your understanding and support in this matter.

Thank you for trusting me as your daughter's coach. I am so excited to embark on this journey with the players selected, and I am confident that together we will create an incredible season filled with growth, learning, and unforgettable memories.

Let's make this season one to remember!

Warm regards,
Stuart Robinson
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