



## Hockey Development-Middle School

Summit Academy Hockey Development begins the week of September 12, 2021. Please note that there will be no parents allowed in the arena and also note the following:

**Location:** SMC, Tantallon

**Days of the Week:** Grade 6/7: Monday and Wednesday  
Grade 8/9: Tuesday and Thursday

**Start time:** Skill sessions will be held during the school day- please ensure your child is aware that she/he is expected to be dressed and ready to begin the program on time.

**Head Coaches:** The hockey development skill sessions will be developed and delivered by professional, qualified, and experienced coaches.

**Volunteer Assistant Coaches:** If you are interested in being a volunteer assistant coach, please contact Shane Joseph at [shane.joseph@summitacademy.ca](mailto:shane.joseph@summitacademy.ca) as soon as possible. We welcome all volunteers provided the appropriate paperwork has been submitted to the Head of School.

**Goaltending Instructor:** Jack Hartigan, a former Jr. A goalie who coaches many Major Junior and Pro goalies.

**Students:** All student participants must be a registered hockey player with Hockey Nova Scotia for the 2022/2023 playing season.

### **Dressing Rooms:**

- There will be a dedicated female dressing room.
- Coaches will supervise the dressing rooms.
- Dressing rooms are not allowed to be locked due to facility rules, fyi.
- Any parent volunteers MUST have all volunteer paperwork completed and on file with the school.
- No males are allowed in the female dressing room, and no females are allowed in the male dressing rooms.

**Start time:** Skill sessions will be held during the school day. Please ensure your child is aware that she/he is expected to be on the ice on time, as it is disruptive to the coaches and other students if a player is consistently late. If a player is consistently late, she/he may be removed from the hockey skill sessions either temporarily or indefinitely.



**Behaviour:** The Summit Academy Code of Conduct is in effect during all skills sessions. Appropriate and respectful behaviour towards the coaches and toward other students/ players, is expected at all times on the Summit Academy campus and arena facilities.

**Dress Code:** Players who are not new to the skill sessions should bring his/her Summit Academy practice hockey jersey and socks (if they still fit). New families will be able to order a practice jersey and socks shortly.

**Gear Storage:** The gear bags will be stored at SMC during the day. Please note that players are responsible for their own gear. At the end of the day, players must ensure that their gear bags/sticks are put into the Summit Academy trailer for transport back to the Bedford campus. Gear can not be left at SMC overnight. Summit Academy is not responsible for lost items.

**Code of Conduct:** All players are expected to adhere to the Summit Academy Code of Conduct during all aspects of hockey development skill sessions, including but not limited to in the dressing rooms and on ice. Failure to adhere to the Code of Conduct could result in suspension and/or expulsion from the hockey development skill sessions.

**Attendance:** If your student is going to be absent from the hockey development session on any given day, please contact the school, as per Summit Academy's Safe Arrival procedure. You can notify the school of any absences or late arrivals by sending an email to [attendance@summitacademy.ca](mailto:attendance@summitacademy.ca), or leaving a message at 902-405-0435.

**Week 1:** Please note that the coaches are not familiar with many of the players. Consequently, the purpose of week one will be to evaluate the skill level of each player. This evaluation will allow our coaches to modify our program to achieve the best possible results.

**School Cancellations:** Please note that if school is canceled due to inclement weather or for any other reason, there will be no hockey skill sessions on that day.

**Questions:** If you have any questions about the hockey development skill sessions, please do not hesitate to speak to Shane Joseph at [shane.joseph@summitacademy.ca](mailto:shane.joseph@summitacademy.ca).

**We are all looking forward to a fantastic year of hockey development!**