

**Parent and Student
Information/Registration Guide
2025-2026**





Beaumont Hockey Academy Program Overview

The Beaumont Hockey Academy (BHA) is a school based hockey program allowing experienced student-athletes to work on their individual skills. It is hosted at École Horizon Heights School for students in Grades 4, 5, and 6 and at École J.E. Lapointe School for students in Grades 7, 8, and 9. It is accessible to students in both English and French Immersion programs, and all genders. Students who wish to attend, but who do not live in the catchment boundaries of these schools, can request to attend as a School of Choice student. Please contact the program coordinator, for more information on this option.

Each group of students participate in BHA about twice a week from September through March. There are approximately 45-50 sessions, which may include special events, such as Oil Kings Hockey Hooky, and dryland training. Whenever possible, student timetables for BHA student-athletes are planned so that students do not miss significant amounts of core curriculum instruction. BHA groups are based on numerous factors including player ability, grade level, and classroom placement. BHA groups may comprise 20 to 30 experienced players, including, on average, 4 goaltenders.

Under the direction of the instructors from Serdachny Power Skating and Hockey, the student-athletes work on fundamental skills such as skating, puck handling, passing, shooting, and offensive/defensive strategies. Position specific, and situational skills are explored as players progress through the higher grades of the BHA program. Goalies receive targeted goalie instruction sessions several times per BHA season.

Guaranteed placement registration for current 2024-2025 BHA students in good standing is open from March 3rd, 2025 until March 14th, 2025. To learn more or to be added to the new student registration wait list, please contact the BHA Coordinator, Caitlin Pedersen at 780-929-5904 or email caitlin.pedersen@blackgold.ca.



GENERAL POLICY

1.0 OVERVIEW:

1.1 Policy Manual

Beaumont Hockey Academy (hereafter referred to as “BHA”) has created this Policy Manual to be used as a reference to the Policies, Strategies and Core Operational Guidelines that BHA uses in its day to day operations. This Policy Manual is an extension of the online form that is completed when registering for a student to attend BHA.

The Online Informed Consent / Parent Permission Form will collect or provide access to the following information:

- Beaumont Hockey Academy – Student Information Sheet
- Student Behavior Policy
- FOIP and Media Consent
- Jersey and Apparel Sizing
- Most Recent Hockey Level and Tier
- Medical Information
- Transportation Permission & Self-Arranged Transportation Information

1.2 Additional Forms

Our service provider, Serdachny Power Skating and Hockey has a waiver that must also be completed by the parent/guardian prior to participating in the program. The link will be sent via email before the program begins.

1.3 Session Delivery

BHA will deliver between 45-50 sessions during the school year. Dates and sessions may be subject to change. Whenever possible, changes will be communicated in advance. Majority of sessions will be delivered on ice, however some dryland and special events (ie: Oil Kings Hockey Hooky event) may also be included as sessions.

2.0 FINANCIAL POLICY:

2.1 Payment

Please refer to Table 1 identifying the position (skater or goalie) and payment frequency. All late payments and NSF checks will be charged a 15% fee and may delay or restrict the BHA member's access to participate in the program.

The **deadline** to register and pay to ensure placement for the Beaumont Hockey Academy for returning student-athletes is Tuesday, March 14th, 2025. Once this deadline passes, placement is not guaranteed. New players, who have been in contact with the school and are on the new student list, will be contacted to register as group space permits.

New players must complete registration within the designated time of the form and fee being assigned.

Any student who has not paid his/her deposit or met the fee schedule deadlines will not participate in BHA programming.

Fee Schedule:

Table 1

School	Grade	Total Fee	Returning player Non-Refundable Deposit Deadline March 14th, 2025 New player registration and payment must be received within the designated time of the form and fee being assigned.	Aug. 31/25	Oct. 31/25
(Skaters) École Horizon Heights School (4-6) École J.E. Lapointe (7-9)	4-9	\$2520.00	\$840.00	\$840.00	\$840.00
(Goaltenders) École Horizon Heights School (4-6) École J.E. Lapointe (7-9)	4-9	\$787.50	\$500.00	\$287.50	n/a

Payments are encouraged to be made through PowerSchool. Cash and cheque are also accepted, cheques must be made payable to **École Horizon Heights School**.

2.2 Deposits and Refunds

2.2.1 Non-Refundable Deposit

BHA has a non-refundable deposit due upon registration. Your child's registration is not complete until the non-refundable deposit is received. This deposit counts toward your program fees and is required by March 14th for returning players, and within the designated time communicated of registration being assigned for new players.

2.1.2 Refunds

The deposit is **100% non-refundable**. Other refunds are prorated based upon the number of days in the program of refundable fees. There will be no refunds after December 1st, 2025.

2.2.3 Injuries:

After six weeks of non-participation due to injury, 50% of the affected refundable program fees will be retroactively refunded to the date of injury. In order to be eligible for this, a **doctor's written confirmation** of the injury must accompany your written request.

2.2.4 Moves

In the event that a student athlete must move away, and will no longer be able to attend BHA programming, a prorated refund of refundable fees will be issued. Please note that for any moves made after December 1st, 2025, no refunds will be issued.

2.2.5 Extenuating Circumstances

Should there be extenuating circumstances in regards to a refund, you may apply, in writing, to BHA administration for a request for consideration of your refund.

2.3 Financial Reporting

Upon written request, to school administration, an annual financial summary report will be made available. The BHA accounts are maintained within BGSD accounting books and are audited yearly.

3.0 PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES:

It is the parent/guardians' responsibility to transport the student to school on time with the appropriate supplies to fulfill the student's academic and athletic commitments to the program.

3.1 Equipment

3.1.1 Equipment Drop-Off / Pick-Up:

Elementary and Junior High hockey bags and sticks are to be dropped off, before school. A storage area at each school will be defined. With a signed online form, accessible on PowerSchool, BHA parents can also have access to a locked storage shed to drop off and pick up bags outside of school hours. It is the player's responsibility to retrieve and store the equipment as needed from the shed. The school will lock and unlock the shed for player access at set times during the BHA school day. Parents are responsible for any costs incurred from lost shed keys.

3.1.2 Equipment Requirements:

Our student athletes require the same full equipment as mandated by Hockey Alberta. A neck guard and helmet must be worn at each session, no exceptions. BHA will also follow all Physical Education Guidelines as outlined by Alberta Education.

3.1.3 Lost or Stolen Equipment:

BHA shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to any property resulting from the participation in the program.

3.2.1 Transportation Between Facilities:

École Horizon Heights School (ÉHHS) will transport student athletes to and from the KNRRRC facility for their daily programming. École JE Lapointe School (ÉJELS) hockey students will walk with their bags to and from the KNRRRC throughout the year. Note that the KNRRRC is located in the building attached to ÉJELS. If sessions are being held at the BSRC, all BHA students will be transported by contracted bus.

3.2.2 Student Drop-Off:

Parents/guardians are responsible for their child's transportation to and from school. It is important to note that school buses do not permit the transportation of hockey equipment on the **regular** routes.

3.3.1 Parent Viewing at Practices:

Parents/guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend and show support for their child during scheduled special event games & program skates. Open viewing of regular sessions has been a historical BHA practice. Rather than restricting access (unless an unforeseen government regulation deems it so, or inappropriate spectator or parental conduct is present), you are reminded to be respectful spectators focused on encouraging and supporting your own child. Abusive behavior or harassment of BHA/facility staff, students, or other spectators will be addressed through our various school, BHA, and facility policies on a case by case basis if necessary.

The arena serves as an extension of the classroom for BHA student athletes and we ask spectators to respect the instructional environment on the ice, bench and dressing rooms. Please also allow the coaches the opportunity to teach and coach. Please refrain from coaching from the stands and interfering with the coaching process to ensure all our athletes are supported and can fully focus and benefit from their training. The school administration & BHA staff reserve the right to restrict viewing privileges of any spectators not upholding the rules, standards of the school and Academy program.

BHA staff and coaches are available for discussions regarding your child's progress and development. Discussions about student athletes who are not your children be refrained from; your cooperation in this matter allows us to maintain focus on each individual athlete's needs and progress effectively. As per the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy act (FOIP) and for the privacy and safety of all involved, we strictly prohibit any form of video recording or filming during ice sessions. LiveBarn will be unavailable in the KNRRRC during BHA time.

3.3.2 Dressing Room Policy for Parents

Dressing room access is for players and staff only. To respect players' privacy while changing in dressing rooms, parents are not permitted in the dressing rooms. If skates need to be tied or equipment needs adjustment please make use of the benches outside the dressing room to help your child. Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. School staff monitor the dressing rooms for safety reasons.

4.0 BHA RESPONSIBILITIES:

4.1 Vulnerable Sectors Checks and Child Welfare Intervention Checks for Employees:

Upon hiring, all BHA employees will be required to provide a current Vulnerable Sectors Check and Child Welfare Intervention Check done on their behalf, through the RCMP and Child Welfare Services.

4.2 Dressing Room Policy

Some of the sections of BHA may have females and males participating together during on and off-campus activities. In cases where female and male dressing rooms are available, the participants will make use of these separate facilities. It is the school board policy that opposite genders change in different rooms.

4.3 Injuries and Return to Play Policy

Despite all efforts to remove the risk of injury, injuries can happen. Students and parents/guardians must sign an informed consent form before any participation is allowed. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian and/or student athlete to inform their instructor if they have been injured and cannot participate in programming.

Injured student athletes will not be allowed to participate in full programming until BHA has received written confirmation from a Physician authorizing the athlete's return to participation.

4.4 Off-Campus Events and Field Trip Forms

As BHA's programming generally has our students off campus at arenas and other facilities throughout the City of Beaumont, which are covered with the original field trip form, parents/guardians are not required to complete Field Trip forms for every off-campus activity. Should an activity fall outside of the normal hours of programming, outside of the City of Beaumont, or for any activity where BHA deems it is necessary for parental/guardian approval, a Field Trip form will be posted on PowerSchool for completion. This form must be completed prior to participation.

4.5 Student-Athlete Grouping

The grouping options of student-athletes will be dependent on the number of registrants. BHA groups may be comprised of 20-30 experienced players, including, on average, 4 goaltenders. Decisions on student grouping are determined by numerous factors, including player ability, grade level, and classroom placement. The groupings will also take into consideration any provincial health protocols as recommended.

5.0 ACADEMIC, ATHLETIC AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

5.1.1 Student-Athlete Expectations

High expectations are the starting point of high performance therefore it is imperative that BHA students hold themselves to a high standard of behaviour and academic performance. Participation in the program requires increased independence and responsibility at all times, and in all places. This has a direct impact on the quality of the program for all involved. Student academic concerns and discipline will be addressed on a case by case basis, by the school site that they attend. BHA student-athletes must be in good standing to participate in the program.

Students and staff have the right to learn and work in a safe and positive environment. We expect students to behave in a manner which does not infringe on the rights of others.

Students at the Beaumont Hockey Academy are placed in numerous dynamic environments: arenas, community training facilities, dressing rooms, fitness centre, bus, cafeteria, hallways and other facilities in which students interact and partake in a multitude of activities. We understand that some of these environments are unique within a school setting; nevertheless they are an extension of the school day and therefore, merit the same level of behavioural expectations as within a school setting. Students are held to the same code of conduct as at their individual school.

For the safety and well being of all participants, the following actions, but not limited to, cannot and will not be tolerated:

- Physical and/or emotional abuse which has injured or is potentially injurious
- Profane or abusive language
- Abusive actions (including verbal insults) causing harm to others
- Vandalism
- Open opposition to authority
- Being in possession of, or under the influence of cigarettes, alcohol or drugs
- Use of, possession of, or concealing a weapon
- Willful disobedience
- Theft
- Sexual behaviour

BHA staff and/or school administration reserve the right to address any behavior concerns which may result in restricted access to BHA activities or spaces if necessary.

5.1.2 BHA Electronic Device Policy

The use of electronic personal devices (i.e., cell phones and cameras) are prohibited in all BHA dressing rooms. Student electronic personal devices must be left in their school locker or at home during school and BHA hours as per the guidance of Black Gold School Division's specific AP-144 (USE OF PERSONAL MOBILE DEVICES AND SOCIAL MEDIA IN SCHOOLS). In the event, a student's personal electronic device comes to the rink with them they must give it to their supervising teacher who will store it safely for the duration of the ice session. A violation of the above policy may result in disciplinary action by the school administration and may include suspension from hockey activities.

5.2 Assessment

The supervising school teacher will include a written comment on each term and the final report card. This will provide feedback on participation, attitude, behavior and work ethic. In addition, any time you wish to speak with a member of the instruction team, please advise the Black Gold supervising teacher and a meeting will be arranged. The Serdachny group of instructors are approachable and committed to ensure that every student is developing and enjoying the BHA experience.

6.0 PRIVACY POLICY OVERVIEW

BHA manages your personal information in accordance with Alberta's Personal Information Protection Act and other applicable laws. This policy outlines the principles and practices we follow in protecting your personal information.

On the BHA registration form, a check box is included to indicate that you have read, understood and agree how we intend to use various information and images. This section is an extension of the Black Gold School Division "Notice of Activities and Consent form" that you completed in the school registration package. BHA highlights and information may be shared on school related websites, social media and promotional publicity that highlight the BHA program.

6.1 - Privacy Officer:

For accountability, BHA has appointed a Privacy Officer who will deal with any member's concerns or questions with any of our policies, any grievances that arise, or any requests for access be filed. The Privacy officer may, at their discretion, enlist the assistance of any other member of BHA. BHA's Privacy Officer is Caitlin Pedersen who can be reached by phone at **780-929-5904** or email at caitlin.pedersen@blackgold.ca

6.2 - What Is Personal Information?

Personal information means information about an identifiable individual. This includes an individual's name, home address and phone number, age, sex, marital or family status, an identifying number, financial information, educational history, medical information etc.

6.3 - What Personal Information do we Collect?

We collect only the personal information that we need for the purpose of providing programming for our student-athletes, including personal information needed to:

- Deliver program updates and progress reports
- Develop and institute curriculums based on prior performance
- Inform instructors and teachers of specific medical needs

We normally collect client personal information directly from our student-athletes or their parents. We may collect personal information from other persons with your consent or as authorized by law.

7.0 Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What are the academic and character development requirements in order to participate in the program?

- A. Student-athletes must be in good standing academically and behaviourally. If you are having academic concerns please discuss options with attending school. Student-athletes must also be in excellent standing with regards to their behaviour and strive to develop their character and individual potential as positive role models in all aspects of the BHA program.

Q. If an athlete registers in the program this year, are they guaranteed a spot for next year?

- A. Current BHA student athletes, in good standing, have access to register before new players during a defined time frame. Once this deadline passes, their spot is not guaranteed.

Q. Can the equipment stay at the school?

- A. BHA players can store their equipment in a locked shed at each school site for pick up and drop off outside of school hours. The school will provide access for students to the shed during school hours. Shed keys are for parent use, and can be signed out by contacting the school office. If a key is misplaced or lost, a replacement fee will be assigned.

Q. How does participation in BHA impact school classes?

- A. Each school will do their best to schedule so that student-athletes will not miss significant instruction in core subjects (Language Arts, Math, etc.); but their opportunity for non-core subjects (Art, Music, P.E., etc.) may be limited. When a school schedules a core subject during the BHA time frame, students are responsible for catching up on their classwork.

Q. Can students from outside the Beaumont BGSD school attendance boundaries register?

- A. Students within the Beaumont attendance boundaries will have priority, but are not guaranteed a place in the program. Students outside the attendance boundaries of the school in question (ÉHHS or ÉJELS) require administration approval and must follow the school of choice process.

Q. Can siblings of athletes register at the school?

- A. Students outside the attendance boundaries must follow the school of choice process. Please contact the office for more information.

Q. How are students grouped?

- A. The number of students registered will guide grouping options. Additionally, player ability, grade level and classroom placement, are taken into consideration for groupings. Grouping decisions will be made by the BHA coordinator, in consultation with BHA instructors and administration from École Horizon Heights School and École J.E. Lapointe School, as applicable.

Contact Us

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École JE Lapointe School BHA Website: <https://ejels.blackgold.ca/programs/bha-beaumont-hockey-academy/>

Beaumont Hockey Academy – Instructor Profiles

Serdachny Hockey Offers Advanced Power Skating and Hockey programs around the world. As our Beaumont Hockey Academy Service Provider, the program focuses upon skating and elite hockey skill development. The program teaches and emphasizes proper technique, form, speed and skill as they apply to the game of hockey.

Sessions provide and implement a positive and productive learning environment for the students to gain maximum benefits.

Steve Serdachny - NHL Skating & Skills Coach



Steve is a world renowned Professional Power Skating & Skills Coach and Elite Hockey Consultant. He has worked as the Skating and Skills coach for the Edmonton Oilers (NHL). He has taught Power Skating and Hockey to players across Canada, the United States and Europe. He is a nationally certified coach and power skating instructor with over 37 years of instructional expertise around the world. He has coached and taught thousands of players from all levels around the world including players and professional teams from Sweden, Finland, Russia, the United States, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland and Canada.

He has worked and taught worldwide at many levels which include the NHL, American Hockey League, East Coast Hockey League, Pro European Elite League, European Division 1 and 2, National teams and players from 14 nations worldwide, Major Junior A, Junior B, NCAA College Division 1 to Tom Thumb level players. His innovative programs and teaching techniques are unique and successful for all levels. Steve is internationally renowned and has had two television shows featuring his instructional methods and expertise. HOCKEY ACADEMY with Hockey Canada on the NHL network and TSN. Also HOCKEY UNLIMITED on Sportsnet. Steve is considered to be one of the foremost experts in power skating and hockey development. His knowledge, and everyday commitment to excellence has helped players aged 7 to professionals achieve maximum performance on the ice.

Christian Bolding - General Manager / Head Instructor with Serdachny Power Skating and Hockey programs with over 20 years of instructional experience.



Christian has trained elite players full time internationally for over 10 years through Serdachny Power Skating and Hockey. Christian played 5 years of Junior Hockey including Junior A for the Camrose Kodiaks, Sherwood Park Crusaders and Major Junior for the Portland Winterhawks. Christian finished his playing career at McGill University for the Redmen while obtaining his Bachelor of Commerce Degree, majoring in Finance and International Business. Christian engages players of all ages to push themselves beyond their comfort zones and strive for every day growth during their life long hockey journey

Other Instructors

Serdachny Power Skating & Hockey employs dozens of world-class instructors, each with diverse experience in coaching and level of play.

- Dan Serdachny
- Nicholas Mudyryk
- Tarik Moussa
- Brooke Serdachny

Ian Gordon



With 18 years of professional goaltending experience in both North America and Europe, Ian Gordon has seen the constant changes in goaltending throughout his long career both in the crease and as a coach. Ian has experienced NHL, AHL and WHL training camps and understands the pressure every goalie feels on a game to game basis.

Coaching/Instruction Experience - Ian is currently the goalie coach of the Red Deer rebels) with time spent in the Hockey Canada system as the goalie coach of the Team Canada U17 program. The highlight of his coaching career came as a member of the coaching staff of the 2017 WHL champion Seattle Thunderbirds who participated in the Memorial Cup as Western league champions.

Ian has had a large variety of goalie coaches over his career and would like to acknowledge their influence in his coaching style. He worked with Billy Smith and Warren Strelow in Junior and Jim Corsi and Corrado Micalef in Europe to develop his goaltending style that lasted nearly two decades in professional hockey.

In addition to his experience from his playing career, Ian attends goaltending camps and works with NHL goaltending coaches to continue to expand his knowledge as the position of goaltending continues to progress.

Caitlin Pedersen

Administrator/Coordinator of the BHA program and Assistant Principal at École Horizon Heights School. *Subject to change.*

Chris Mistol

Current Teacher assigned to Group 4 of BHA students at École J.E. Lapointe School. *Subject to change.*

Patrick Gobeil

Current Teacher assigned to groups 1, 2, and 3 of BHA students at École Horizon Heights School/École JE Lapointe School. *Subject to change.*

Further Information on the BHA instruction team can be found at:

www.elitepowerskating.com and www.iangordongoaltending.com

