# **BOW VALLEY HOCKEY SOCIETY**



## **Coach and Parent Contract**

As your volunteer coaching staff, we'll do all we can to ensure that we treat each player with individual attention and respect while building their skill set, self-esteem, and love for the game of hockey. We take our role very seriously and will model the behaviour we expect from our players. We will promote the following through the season creating a team-first culture where each player is safe, motivated and keeps wanting to come back. The following will be the focus for the team this season....

- The Health & Safety of all players
- Respect & understanding of the rules of the game
- Encourage players to take responsibility for their behaviour and performance
- Provide exciting, well structured, organized practices that develop and positively challenge the team
- Actively demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship
- Show unwavering respect for the players, officials and opponents

As a parent, you play a very valuable role in our team. To ensure we're creating a team culture on and off the ice, we ask that all parents adhere to the following team and BVHS expectations.

- I will ensure that my son/daughter arrives at hockey practices a minimum of 15 minutes early and a minimum of 30 minutes early to games. I understand that their repetitive tardiness may result in a loss of their playing time.
- I will ensure that my son/daughter has all the required equipment for each ice time. I understand that if they don't have the required equipment, it may result in a loss to their ice time.
- I will correspond proactively by email, call, text the Head Coach and or update TeamSnap when I know in advance that we have conflicts, and my son/daughter will be absent from games/practices. I understand that frequent absences may affect my sons'/daughters' ice time.
- I understand that day-of correspondence regarding absences should be restricted to sudden illness or family emergencies. When corresponding the day of, please email/text the head coach and or update Team Snap availability and add a note as to the reason for the absence.
- I will adhere to the 24-hour rule when I have concerns/questions about positions, playing time or
  my son's/daughter's role on the team. I will not communicate with coaches directly at the rink. I
  will communicate firstly by email and understand that the coach will return my communication
  within 24 hours. Until such a time that the coaches can be contacted, and the issue can be
  considered, I will remain positive in the stands.
- I will cheer for each member of the team and will not coach the team from the stands. I agree to stay in the 'parent' section and not join players in the coaching area unless asked.

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- I will treat all parents, officials, coaches and players with respect. I understand that I am a representative of BVHS and the team. My family will conduct themselves in the spirit of fair play and sportsmanship.
- I understand that by not adhering to the above expectations, the coaching staff has the right to bring my behaviour to the attention of the BV BOD which may affect my son's/daughter's role with the team.

Each BVHS team is expected to have a parent meeting at the start of the season. A member of every family is expected to attend the parent meeting. If a family cannot attend the parent meeting, it is expected that a member of the absent family contacts the head coach to understand the team rules and expectations. During the parent meeting, the following is a list of topics to be discussed

- BVHS Operations Guidelines
- Team volunteer positions
- Specific team rules and expectations
- Team fundraising/budget
- Team tournaments

By signing this contract, you confirm that a parent member of your family has attended the team meeting or been in contact with the head coach to understand the team rules and expectations before the start of the 2023-2024 season.

I agree to follow and abide by the team rules and guidelines that were discussed in the team meeting.

PARENT NAME / SIGNATURE
PARENT NAME / SIGNATURE
COACH SIGNATURE
BVHS TEAM
DATE SIGNED