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COACHING BIO

ABOUT ME

I was born and raised in KW and played my minor hockey in Kitchener.

I spend my off season at the golf course as a member of the Craigowan Golf Club.

The 2026/27 season will be my 20th year as a minor hockey coach.

I coached the first Waterloo Wolves team to qualify for the U14 OHL Cup in the 2024-25 season!

2026/25 will be my 9th season as a head coach in Waterloo at the AAA level. 2017/18 through 2024/25 at multiple levels from U10 to U14. This current season I am an assistant coach with the U16 Hamilton Steel.

My coaching philosophy at the AAA level is centered on long-term player development while maintaining a high-performance environment. I believe in setting clear expectations and demanding accountability, effort, and professionalism, while providing the support and structure players need to succeed. Practices focus on skill execution under pressure, hockey IQ, and compete level, with systems designed to enhance decision-making rather than limit creativity.

I value honest communication with players and parents, foster a team culture built on respect and trust, and emphasize habits that prepare athletes for the next level both on and off the ice.