



September 19, 2023

Hello Teams!!!

On behalf of the Nipissing Lakers Women's Hockey team, I would like to thank all of you for your participation in this year's tournament.

The Nipissing Lakers Women's Hockey team is preparing for what they hope will be their 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive trip to the USports National Championships at the end of the season. We continue to bring in talented female athletes and off the ice our program continues to grow. We have grown our program into a perennial Top 10 team and we are not prepared to change that trend.

With our newly formed partnership with the North Bay Girls Hockey Association, there is a lot of great momentum for girls' hockey in our area.

The Nipissing Lakers Women's team is fortunate to have a game scheduled on the Friday evening of the tournament (November 3<sup>rd</sup>) as we will be hosting the Ontario Tech Ridgebacks at 7:00pm at Memorial Gardens. It is an exciting game for our players and all of the younger players in attendance as they will get to see some high level hockey.

We have worked with the University and the City of North Bay to make this a "Free Admission Game" for players and parents this year and hope to see all of you at the game.

We would like for all teams that are thinking of attending to consider making a donation to the Nipissing Lakers Women's Hockey team to help us offset the event, but there is definitely no requirement to do so. We will leave this up to each individual team to make their own decision.

For those of you that will be making a donation, please reach out to Kiara Jefferies (vp@nbgaha.com) for details on how this transaction can take place.

We look forward to a great weekend of hockey and hope to see all of you at the game on Friday evening and around the rinks over the course of the weekend.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Turcotte', written in a cursive style.

Darren Turcotte

Head Coach

Nipissing Lakers Women's Hockey