

SPEAKER

Blake Bolden

Hockey Trailblazer. Broadcaster. Speaker.

As seen on ESPN · NHL Network · Amazon Prime · Sportsnet
Sports Illustrated · The Players' Tribune



ABOUT BLAKE

Blake Bolden has spent her career breaking barriers in hockey and opening the door for others to follow. She was the **first Black player in the NWHL**, the first Black player taken in the first round of the CWHL draft, and in 2020 became the **second woman to scout in the NHL** with the LA Kings.

A Northwood School alum, she won gold at the first two U18 Women's World Championships with Team USA, captained Boston College, and won the Clarkson Cup (2015) and the inaugural Isobel Cup (2016). Today she is a lead analyst on Amazon Prime's Wednesday Night Hockey and for the PWHL.

RECOGNITION

- Sports Illustrated: most powerful women in sports
- Sportsnet: 25 most powerful women in hockey
- Top 40 Under 40 in hockey
- Four-time All-Star; two-time hardest shot champion

WHO BOOKS BLAKE

- Schools, student assemblies and commencements
- Youth and girls' hockey programs
- Teams, clubs and sports organizations
- Corporate keynotes, women's networks and ERGs
- Heritage-month and leadership events
- Associations, conferences, luncheons and community events

FORMATS

- **Keynote or assembly talk**, shaped for the room
- **Small-group sessions** with students, athletes or staff
- **Q&A and meet-ups**, after a talk or on their own

TALK TOPICS

Facing Adversity

Carrying the weight of being first: the NWHL, the NHL scouting room, the broadcast booth.

Using Failure as a Tool

Treating a bad game, a missed chance or a no as information instead of a verdict.

Getting Used to Being Uncomfortable

From Ohio youth hockey to Lake Placid, Boston, Switzerland and the Kings.

Trusting the Process

Two championship cups after years of early mornings nobody saw.

Following Intuition

Moving from the ice to scouting to broadcasting without a map.

Taking Advantage of Your Current Situation

The team, school or job you have right now is the place to start.

Every talk is tailored, for middle schoolers, college athletes, coaches, staff or executives.

FROM THE ROOM

"She can command a full room and then also connect so deeply with a small group of kids around a lunch table. I really appreciate the time and effort she put into tailoring the message for different audiences."

CARLY RODRIGUEZ, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS, THE THACHER SCHOOL

FEES

Speaking fees start at **\$7,500**. Travel outside Southern California is quoted separately. Multi-session school and team visits are packaged on request.

BOOK BLAKE

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