Welcome to the 2023-2024 Crusaders Season! My name is Brent Clark, and I am ready to get the 2023-2024 season underway!

Sport to me is one of the most important avenues to instill life skills development into youth, and I view the opportunity to develop young athletes into well rounded individuals an honor and privilege as the U12 coach for this season. I have been part of the WCMHA hockey program since 2017, having the opportunity to move with the 2012 born players from IP through to their first season as Crusaders last year, with coaching experience across various teams over the years.

My coaching philosophy anchors around 3 themes, respect, attitude and effort. Respect for the Crusaders crest on the front of the jersey and your family name on the back, Attitude shown both inside and outside the rink, and the Effort exhibited on and off the ice. I believe in creating a learning environment where fundamentals are built upon throughout the year, mistakes are viewed as learning experiences, and challenging the possibilities in a supporting and learning environment, while having fun as a team.

The season will encompass a few exhibition games, regular season, and playoffs. Families can expect 2 practices / week in addition to some off ice activities, both as a team and individually at home. I am in the process of booking tournaments and anticipate having 4, 2 local and 2 away, including the possibility of one in the US, so please be prepared to get passports if you do not already have them.

As we learned last season, success is not a straight line and winning at this level is not easy. Therefore, all players will need to show up with a positive attitude and a growth mindset to achieve success as a team.

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I look forward to seeing everyone back around the rinks in a few weeks!

Brent