

Our Vision Statement

The Battlefords Sharks are dedicated to helping enthusiastic and competitive young women achieve the highest level of hockey. The Battlefords Sharks provide the opportunity, coaching and positive team environment for young hockey players to develop into outstanding young women.

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Across all age groups and levels, the hockey season 2020-21 began as a difficult year. We have had to step out of our comfort zone of a "normal season" with expectations based on prior seasons.

Our AAA Sharks players, parents, coaches, volunteers, and board members stepped up when the league made the call to officially end playing games. First and foremost was our agreeing everyone has a role to play in slowing the spread of COVID-19 and protecting themselves, their family, and their community. Thinking outside the box and referring to our mission statement we relied heavily on our coaching staff (Ricci, Brent & Danielle), manager (Tammy) and trainer (Miranda). Within the confines of the Saskatchewan Health Authorities ever evolving restrictions and protocols we adjusted practices, made the most use of ice times and continued to train. Our staff led by example. With a mindset acknowledging the disappointment and frustration they continued to be grateful for the opportunity to skate and have connection as a team. Without the on-ice game structure our staff focused on not only the technical skills of hockey but also life skills. Our players have continually demonstrated resilience, co-operation, flexibility, and respectfulness.

As we reflect on our transition form the 2020-21 season to 2021-22, we are also thankful we created a position for a scout (Roger). We would also like to thank BMHA, The Town of Battleford and City of North Battleford (councils and arena staff), our sponsors and billet parents. Our season was only made possible with their support.

In closing we reflect that what began as a difficult year filled with uncertainty has ended with a year of growth, learning and adaptation, fueled by that very uncertainty.

Respectfully yours,

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Jeanne Gilchrist, Director Battlefords AAA Sharks