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Dear Parents and Players,

Welcome to the 2025/26 U16 Rep B Crusaders and the exciting season ahead! My name is Chris Bishop, and I am excited to be the U16 Crusaders Head Coach for the upcoming season. I want to extend a warm welcome and wish the best of luck to all of the players attending this year's tryouts. Each player will be given a fair opportunity to make an impression and earn a spot on this team.

I will be searching for skilled, determined, hard-working, and coachable players who are hockey smart and can have impact on both sides of the puck. Starting in tryouts, this will be a fun and competitive environment. My goal is to push each player to perform at their best and provide them with clear roles, responsibilities and expectations within the team's concepts. Players can expect to work hard in practice with a strong focus on teamwork and playing as a group. It should be considered a privilege to wear the Crusaders Blue and Gold and to represent your community. We will leave a positive impression on the ice by playing hard while having respect for our opponents and the officials. I'm a firm believer in the valuable life lessons that can be learned through sport. I'm very passionate about the game, and I find it incredibly rewarding to be on the ice and bench developing young athletes. My goal is not only to develop them as hockey players but also as young people who are learning the importance of teamwork, communication, and leadership. My expectation is that players bring their best and are prepared to compete in both games and practices. In return, players and parents can expect the same commitment and dedication from myself and the bench staff.

I am in the process of booking tournaments for the season and will provide more information once all is confirmed. You can expect 4 tournaments, 2 local and 2 away and we will not be playing outside of Canada.

Looking forward to a great season ahead.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Chris Bishop".

Coach Chris.