



# Hockey by Bobby

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With the season now a couple weeks in and most of our teams having a couple games under their belt, I wanted to remind everyone of a couple things to ensure this year is a success.

First, it is very important that we don't measure the season on just wins and losses but on the overall experience of your player. Obviously, everyone wants to win but what the kids remember most are the locker room stories, the funny moments and the friends that they make, which all can happen regardless of their record.

In order to make that happen, if a kid makes a mistake or has a bad game, try and do your best to keep their spirits up. I'm sure they know more than anyone else that they messed up and feel horrible about it. It doesn't help to constantly hear about it from other players, parents or coaches. Encourage them to forget about it and practice even harder the next time they hit the ice. At the end of the day, the only way that they are going to become better hockey players is from making those mistakes and learning from them.

I promise you that all kids want to do is play hockey and be able to be on the ice with their friends playing the game they love. So, allow them to go on the ice and make those mistakes and encourage them to keep doing their best and to enjoy it!

With the season just getting going, I look forward to seeing how every team does this year. I wish everyone best of luck. Go Warriors!