

## Korrekturhinweise

### The Okanagan Ice Hockey Academy of St. Pölten

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#### Justifications

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The speaker says: "Our students that come in come from various levels of hockey as well. Most of them have played a very good level of hockey, some have not. We had a player last year who enrolled, who hadn't played hockey in three years and was just returning back to the ice." Therefore different degrees of experience can be noticed in new players at the Academy.

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The speaker says: "We teach the basic skills of skating: passing and shooting which are the fundamental basics of hockey." Therefore new players learn the key techniques of the game.

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The speaker says: "And then we also look at the tactical development of the player: how they learned to play the game, how they learned systems, various forms of attack [...]." Therefore after their initial training the Academy observes progress in tactics in players.

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The speaker says: "Hockey is the fastest contact sport in the world. So it is a very rough sport, but it's not something that we encourage." Therefore the Academy tries to prevent pushing and rowdy behaviour.

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The speaker says: "We encourage our athletes to be very tenacious, to be very persistent, to work extremely hard, to be very sportsman-like, to be polite and these things we feel allow them to become better athletes and in doing so it will also make them better people." Therefore determination and civilised behaviour are qualities that improve the players' performance and personality.

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The speaker says: "[...] these areas ultimately make them faster and stronger. And those two things, speed and power, allow a hockey player to be better than their opponent. And in, with our academy philosophy we want our players to be faster and stronger and we push them to do so." Therefore quickness and strength are needed to become superior players.

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The speaker says: "And this year we went to Boston, Massachusetts, and played against some of the best 19-year-old players in New England and in North America. And our players did very well. We saw that the game was very different in Europe than it was in North America." The coach therefore noticed a contrast in styles of playing during away games.

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The speaker says: "We've changed that system for our players so that they are forced to use everyone and play a very team-oriented game. It makes it very interesting for our players because they now are forced to see the values or the strengths of other players and make that an asset for them." The Academy's new coaching strategy is therefore the integration of all team members.