



Michelle Vandale Memorial Scholarship Application

Provided by the Bettles Family

for ringette players, coaches, on-ice officials, volunteers, and/or executive members who are participating in this year's Michelle Vandale Memorial Spirit of Winter Ringette Tournament

**Applications must be received by the Fraser Valley Ringette Association
NO LATER THAN**

**November 22nd
(of the current year)**

Ringette. Play it. Love it. Live it.



Michelle Vandale
Dec. 9th, 1967 – Nov. 11th, 2009

A Member of the Fraser Valley Ringette Association, Michelle began her ringette career as a player at the age of 8 and continued to play throughout her teens and young adulthood. She later took a break from ringette to get married and start a family, after which, Michelle was reunited with the sport she loved when she resumed playing. It wasn't long after her daughter began playing (also at the age of 8) that Michelle discovered a love of coaching.

Over the years, Michelle proved herself to be truly dedicated, not only to the sport but more importantly to the players that she coached and mentored. She faithfully devoted her time to preparing practice plans, attending games, practices, and tournaments and serving on the local executive. Both as a coach and as a player, she always provided enthusiasm and encouragement to each and every person on her team. Michelle led by example, striving to be the best that she could be, to work together as a team, and to display good sportsmanship during any situation.

Sadly, the ringette community lost a great role model on November 11th, 2009, when Michelle passed away. It is local, grass-roots volunteers such as Michelle and her family who have made ringette successful in the Fraser Valley and in British Columbia. Such volunteers often go unrecognized, involving themselves for their passion, rather than for personal gain. It is in memory of Michelle and in honour of her and her family, who have contributed so much to our sport that the Bettles family would like to offer an annual scholarship opportunity in hopes that it will continue to pay tribute to her memory and help to inspire others in the ringette community to continue giving to the sport of ringette and thus, furthering the cause to which Michelle and her family have been dedicated for so many years.

PURPOSE OF THE MICHELLE VANDALE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

To provide annually a scholarship of \$1,000 towards post-secondary education for ringette players, coaches, executive members, volunteers, and/or officials who've demonstrated a strong commitment to the sport of ringette. Recipients will receive a scholarship award certificate recognizing their achievements.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Scholarship funds must be applied to the academic year following which the scholarship was awarded.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Application for the Michelle Vandale Memorial Scholarship may be made by registered participants (male or female) of the Michelle Vandale Memorial Ringette Tournament such as:

- Ringette players who are registered with one of Ringette Canada's provincial/territorial member associations, and/or
- Ringette coaches who are certified or in the process of becoming certified,
- Active on-ice ringette-certified officials, and/or
- Volunteers at an administration level or at the Michelle Vandale Memorial Spirit of Winter Tournament and

who are in their final year of high school and who will be enrolled **full-time** in a recognized post-secondary training program, college, or university for the following academic year.

Applicants must have demonstrated a commitment to their education and must meet the admission standards of the educational institution or program specified.

Applicants must actively participate in the current year's Michelle Vandale Memorial Spirit of Winter Ringette Tournament as a player, coach, volunteer, or on-ice official.

The chosen applicant will be someone who has been a positive role model in the sport of ringette, who best demonstrates sustained commitment, dedication and passion for the sport of ringette through playing, coaching, officiating and/or other volunteer activities, and who has earned the respect of his/her team mates, coaches, and officials for his/her fair play, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications (**plus** supporting documents as detailed below) must be forwarded to:

Mail Option: Fraser Valley Ringette Assoc. Scholarship Committee P.O. Box 61591 Langley, BC, V3A 8C8	Email Option: tournaments@fvringette.com AND scholarships@fvringette.com Subject Line: MV Scholarship
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Applications must be received no later than November 22nd
NOTIFICATION

The Fraser Valley Ringette Association and the Michelle Vandale Memorial Scholarship Committee, with the endorsement of the Bettles Family, reserve the right to choose not to award the scholarship if the pool of candidates

does not meet the criteria outlined or if there are no applicants. The name of the successful applicant will be announced at the U19 Gold Medal game during the Michelle Vandale Memorial Spirit of Winter Ringette Tournament with written confirmation to follow.

Please be sure that the following items are included in your scholarship application package:

The scholarship application form (pages 5, 6, 7 and 8), fully completed.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Two (2) current letters of reference from people in the ringette/volunteer community.	<input type="checkbox"/>
A transcript of marks for the last completed year of your education.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proof of registration as an active player, coach or on-ice official for the current ringette playing season.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please Note: Scholarship funds will not be released by Fraser Valley Ringette Association until confirmation of the successful applicant’s full-time enrollment at an appropriate post-secondary educational institution for the academic year following which the scholarship was awarded **and** proof of grades for the current academic year has been received.

Michelle Vandale Memorial Scholarship Application Form

DATE:

Personal/Contact Information

First Name	Last Name	
Home Address		
City	Province	Postal Code
Telephone	Email	

Ringette Registration

Name of your current ringette association		
Name of your current team (if applicable)		
Division	City	Province

Academic Information

Current High School or Post-Secondary Institution

Name of Institution		
City/Province	Postal Code	Telephone
Current Grade/Level of Study	Average Grade %	Expected Graduation (mm/yy)

Post-Secondary Educational Institution planning to Attend next academic year

Name of Institution		
City	Province	Postal Code

Telephone	Fax	Expected Graduation (mm/yy)
Program/Major Area of Study	Duration of Program (years)	

Ringette Résumé

Year	Team	Division	City	Accomplishments/Memories
2011	Fraser Valley Vipers	U19 A	Langley	Heart & Soul Award, Team went to AB

Other notes about your ringette career:

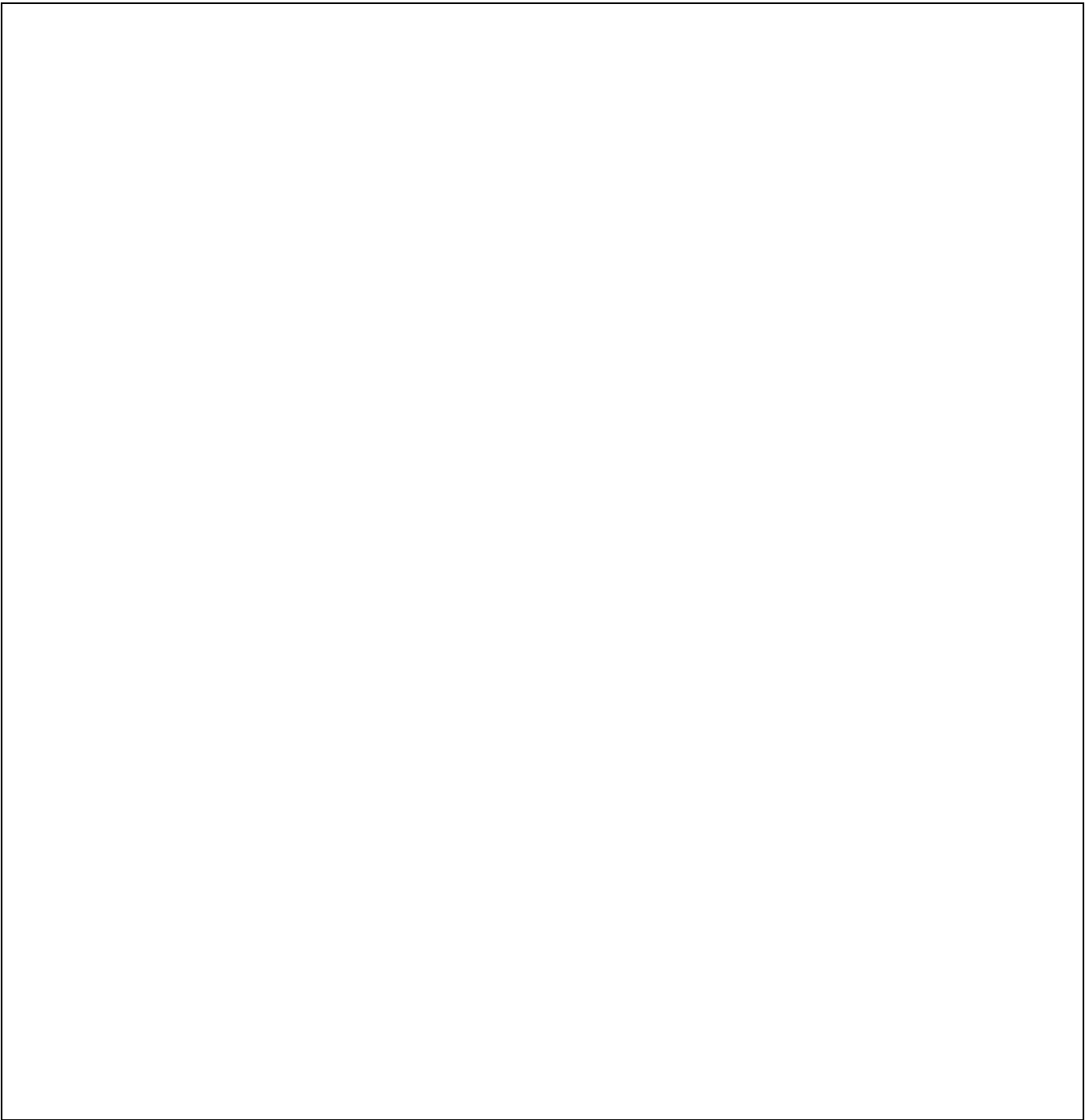
Officiating:	Officials certification number (if known):

Coaching:	Coaches certification number (if known):

Other Volunteer Activities (Ringette, School, Community):

Ringette and You

Please explain how ringette has helped your personal development and describe your commitment to the sport (Maximum 1000 words).



STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Michelle Vandale Memorial Scholarship.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, I must provide a copy of my transcript (marks) for the current academic year as well as evidence of acceptance to a post-secondary institution or program of my choosing for the next academic year prior to the scholarship funds being awarded.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____