

IV.

Head Coach

Each coach is first hired as a classroom teacher and as such must conduct himself/herself so as to maintain the principles of integrity and dignity of the school. Policies of the school should be followed to the letter and in spirit. This affords the coach an opportunity to extend further his/her influence to the athletes, the student body, and to fellow faculty members.

Goal

The head coach will help each participating student achieve a high level of skill, an appreciation for the values of discipline and sportsmanship, and an increased level of self-esteem.

Performance Responsibilities

1. Work with the athletic director in areas of scheduling, officials, transportation, meals and lodging.
2. Co-ordinate the activities of the varsity and reserve teams. Co-ordinate the activities of equipment manager and trainer and strength coach.
3. Assign duties to assistant coaches and co-ordinate with athletic directors to evaluate their performance.
4. To work closely with junior high school coaches in order to develop and maintain a continuous correlated system through the junior and senior high school.
5. Each coach is expected to supervise athletes in the practice areas, game areas, during transport, and in the dressing rooms until they have finished dressing and are out of the building. No practices will be held without a coach or substitute faculty member present. Practice areas and buildings must be secured before departing.
6. Be fully aware of legal responsibilities related to your sport. Take precautions against negligence and keep your staff up-to-date and informed.
7. Coach individual participants in the skills necessary for excellent achievement in the sports involved.
8. Be responsible for all equipment and uniforms being used in the particular sport. Co-ordinate with athletic directors in purchase of equipment and supplies.
9. Secure and instruct responsible student managers.
10. Each coach will attempt to keep the aims and objectives of their particular sport in harmony with the aims and policies of our total education and athletic philosophy.
11. Whenever possible, coaches should attend conferences or clinics which will broaden knowledge and coaching ability. Every effort should be made to attend clinics for officials and coaches which are held regularly in the area, including mandatory meetings.
12. A coach should not ask for special privileges for athletes.
13. Follow the standard of the IHSAA, Indiana High School Coaches Association, and the school district as to: practice time, regulations and rules of the sport, eligibility and coaching ethics.
14. Co-operate with all coaches on the staff for maximum development of the entire athletic program.

15. Athletes who have started in one sport will continue in that sport until the season is complete. They will not be permitted to start another season without agreement of both coaches involved.
16. Maintain practice and game areas for the best possible learning situation. These areas should be free of self-appointed mascots, children, etc., and should consist of team personnel only.
17. Communicate with athletes and parents in regard to practice times, expectations, bus times, meals, etc. (parent meetings are required)
18. Construct meaningful practice sessions and practice schedules on a five day week basis. Inform athletes early as to your expectations in regard to Saturday and vacation practices. (no Sunday practices)
19. Establish performance criteria for eligibility in interscholastic competition in each sport.
20. Remain responsible to administrators in charge and follow established season procedure.
21. Perform at all times as a responsible professional person.