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IHSAA Coach Education

The Idaho High School Activities Association is committed to the promotion of coaches' education programs as well as providing resources toward continuing education for all of Idaho's coaches.

✓ Requirements for Idaho Coaches

- o Certified Teacher or Completed NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching or ASEP Coaching Principles
- o CPR/1st Aid Certification
- St. Luke's Concussion Course (even numbered years)
- NFHS Sudden Cardiac Arrest Course (even numbered years)

✓ NFHS Education Committee recommendations for interscholastic coaches

- o Complete the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching course (prior to coaching)
- Complete necessary courses to become and NFHS Accredited Interscholastic Coach (AIC) within the first year of coaching
- Maintain current certification in CPR, AED and 1st Aid Safety
- Complete online courses or professional development specific to the specific sport each year they are a interscholastic coach
- Know the playing rules of their sport(s) and understand state association rules and policies governing their sport
- Encourage the participation of team building activities and community service projects with your team during the season and school year
- o Pursue NFHS Certified Interscholastic Coach (CIC) credential within one year of becoming and AIC
- o Read, understand and agree to the national and state Coaches Code of Ethics

✓ Strategies and Incentives for coaching certification/education

- o Reimburse coaches for obtaining AIC & CIC certification
- o Set aside financial resources to pay for registration fees/travel for coaches clinic attendance
- o Promote coaches certification with educational links on your website
- o Post pictures of certified staff on your website
- o Create a "photo board" of all coaches who are certified
- Increase pay scale for certified coaches
- Create a recognition program for certified coaches
- o Have booster clubs set aside a certain amount of money for coaches education
- Inform your school board when a coach earns their certification
- Send information in a monthly newsletter to parents
- Have an article in the school newspaper for coaches
- Use social media to promote coaches education
- o Recognize certified coaches on your social media outlets