

**ATHLETIC COACHING**

**ENDORSEMENT**

**INFORMATION PACKET**

**Nassau County School District  
Personnel Office  
And  
Professional and Staff Development Office  
1201 Atlantic Ave.  
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034**

**(904) 491-9874  
(Personnel)**

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## ATHLETIC ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM PARTICIPANT INFORMATION FORM

Return to:  
**PERONNEL DEPARTMENT**  
 1201 Atlantic Ave. Fernandina Beach, FL 32034  
 (904) 491-9874

NAME:	SCHOOL:
MAILING ADDRESS:	TELEPHONE:
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
SPORT:	DATE OF HIRE:
SIGNATURE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THIS INFORMATION:	DATE OF RECEIPT:

*The sections below are for Office of Professional Development use only:*

CERTIFICATE #: \_\_\_\_\_ Temporary \_\_\_ or Professional \_\_\_ or NA \_\_\_

DATE ISSUED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE EXPIRES: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPONENT TITLE	PROVIDER				DATE DOCUMENTATION RECEIVED IN PROF. DEVELOPMENT
	HK	OTHER DISTRICT	PAEC	COLLEGE	
<b>THEORY/PRINCIPLES OF COACHING</b>					
<b>SPORT-SPECIFIC COACHING</b>					
<b>SPORTS FIRST AID/CARE AND TREATMENT</b>					

This individual has successfully demonstrated the competencies of each 60-hour component for a total of 180 hours and is recommended for Athletic Coaching Certification.

Signature/Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**OVERVIEW AND FLORIDA STATUTES:  
ENDORSEMENT FOR ATHLETIC COACHING CERTIFICATION  
FOR COMMUNITY COACHES**

The Nassau County School District's Endorsement for Athletic Coaching Certification program is designed to provide non-certificated employees and community members who do not hold a Florida Educator Certificate the opportunity to utilize Athletic Endorsement training courses to obtain a Florida certificate in Athletic Coaching.

This program will assist individuals who desire to meet the following requirements: (Specific Authority 1001.02, 1012.55, 1012.56 FS. Law Implemented 1001.02, 1012.54, 1012.55, 1012.56 FS. History - New 12-4-89, 10-26-2005.)

**A. Florida Statute 231.15(2):**

Each person who is employed and renders service as an athletic coach in any public school in any district of this state shall hold a valid part-time, temporary, or professional certificate. The provision of this subsection does not apply to any athletic coach who voluntarily renders service and who is not employed by any public school district of this state.

**B. State Board Rule 6A-4.004(4) Certification Requirements:**

(4) Certificates covering only athletic coaching (grades K-12).

(a) A certificate valid for three (3) school fiscal years reflecting only athletic coaching may be issued to an applicant who does not meet the requirements specified in paragraph (4)(b)\* of this rule. The certificate may be issued one (1) time to an applicant who meets the following requirements:

1. Completes the application requirements as specified in Rule 6A-4.0012, FAC., and
2. Submits fingerprint reports as specified in subparagraph (1)(a)3., of this rule.

\*(b) A certificate valid for five (5) school fiscal years reflecting only athletic coaching may be issued to an applicant who meets the following requirements:

1. Completes the application requirements as specified in Rule 6A-4.0012, FAC.,
2. Satisfies **specialization requirements**\* as specified in subsection (2) of Rule 6A-4.0282, FAC.
3. Submits fingerprint reports as specified in subparagraph (1)(a)3., of this rule.

**\*Specialization requirements** are listed below and consist of either nine (9) semester hours or 180 inservice training points in athletic coaching to include the areas specified below:

- (a) Three (3) semester hours in care and prevention of athletic injuries and the effects and dangers of drug use including performance enhancing drugs,
- (b) Three (3) semester hours in coaching theory,
- (c) Three (3) semester hours in the theory and practice of coaching a specific sport.

A valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation certificate issued by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross is also required.

Please see the remaining information in this packet regarding the inservice training courses needed to complete the 180 points.

*NOTE: There are additional training requirements from the state for Concussion Prevention training and from the Florida High School Athletic Association for Cardiac Arrest training. These additional courses are not part of the Endorsement for Athletic Coaching Certification program, but are required and must be completed by each coach and documentation must be submitted to the school's athletic director.*

# **ATHLETIC ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM MANAGEMENT**

**Nassau County School District  
Offices of Personnel and Professional Development  
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Individuals who do not hold a Florida Educator Certificate and who are hired to render paid services as athletic coaches are eligible to participate in the Nassau County School District's Athletic Coaching Endorsement program, as are certificated employees seeking to add the Athletic Coaching Endorsement to an existing certificate. Steps to participate in this program are:

1. Contact the Personnel Office (904-491-9874) for an appointment to complete and return the Athletic Endorsement Participant Information Form and to verify receipt of the coaching certification information.
2. The individual shall meet with the Personnel Department in order to receive the district's packet of information that advises the individual of the requirements, steps, course costs, descriptions and website for access, and sign an acknowledgement of receipt of the information.
3. Notify the Office of Professional Development of any previous Athletic Coaching inservice components/ courses taken in another school district or college courses taken so that the district can request and verify the acceptance of those for credit toward the Nassau program.
4. Components taken in another district will be credited to the district's program if the components are part of a state-approved Athletic Coaching Endorsement Program in that district and if reasonable equivalency between the districts' components can be established through a review of the component objectives. Official transcripts from a college or university documenting successful completion of one or more courses, the catalog description of which establishes a reasonable equivalence to the district components, may also be used to meet one or more of the course components.
5. The individual coach registers and pays for the course or courses that are taken.
6. The district's online course provider is able to provide assistance to individuals as needed during courses. The Office of Professional Development also is available for assistance.
7. When a course is completed, the individual provides a copy of the certificate to the Professional Development Office, 1201 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach, FL 32034. This office tracks completion of the courses.
8. When all three courses are completed and points are posted or transcripts on file, the Office of Professional Development verifies completion to the district's Personnel Office and to the Florida Department of Education.
9. The individual coach is then responsible for applying and paying the fee to the Florida Department of Education for a certificate in Athletic Coaching.
10. The individual is also responsible for providing a copy of the Athletic Coaching certificate to the district's Personnel Department to maintain in the individual's Personnel file.
11. The district maintains the inservice records and/or college course transcripts as well as a copy of the individual's Athletic Coaching certificate.

**ATTENTION NASSAU COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
COMMUNITY ATHLETIC TEAM COACHES**

**Effective July 1, 2016, only the following courses may be used by  
Nassau Community Athletic Coaches to meet the requirements for Athletic Coaching Certificate.  
Please read the following information carefully and email  
[staff.development@nassau.k12.fl.us](mailto:staff.development@nassau.k12.fl.us) if you have questions or need assistance.**

1. The temporary Athletic Coaching Certificate is issued by the Florida Department of Education and is valid for three years, pending fingerprint clearance. Community Coaches may serve as paid coaches once the certificate has been received and provided to the Nassau Personnel Department. A temporary Athletic Coaching Certificate may only be issued once and may not be renewed. Please contact the Nassau Personnel Office for further information (904-491-9874).
2. In order to obtain a 5-year Athletic Coaching Certificate that may be renewed every 5 years, the state requires the completion of three 60-hour training courses (total 180 hours) during the 3-year temporary certification period and prior to the expiration of the temporary Athletic Coaching Certificate.
3. So, if you would like to be employed as a Community Coach long-term (beyond the 3-year temporary certificate), it is recommended that you complete at least one of the 60-hour training courses each sport season that you are paid to coach.
4. The three required Athletic Coaching Endorsement courses are:
  - a) *Coaching Principles* (60 hours)
  - b) *Sports First Aid / Care and Treatment of Athletic Injuries* (60 hours)
  - c) *Sport-specific Coaching Techniques* (must match the sport the individual is being paid to coach- see attached list) (60 hours)
5. The costs for all courses and materials are the responsibility of the individual who is being paid to coach.
6. Individuals are required to provide a copy of the certificate of completion each time a course is completed to the employing school's Athletic Director and to the Nassau County School District Office of Staff Development by mail to 1201 Atlantic Ave. Fernandina Beach, FL 32034, by FAX (904) 277-9044, or by scanning and emailing it to: [staff.development@nassau.k12.fl.us](mailto:staff.development@nassau.k12.fl.us)
7. Successful completion of a course requires passing a test with a score of 80 percent or better at the conclusion of the course.
8. Courses are available at the Nassau County School District, Florida (NCSDFL) portal of the **Human Kinetics Coach Education Center**: [http://www.asep.com/asep\\_content/org/NCSDFL.cfm](http://www.asep.com/asep_content/org/NCSDFL.cfm)
9. **Again, these are the only courses that will be accepted by Nassau County, effective July 1, 2016 for the three topics listed in #4 above, in order to qualify for a 5-year Athletic Coaching Certificate.**
10. Additionally, each coach must annually complete a free *Concussion in Sports* online course and provide the certificate of completion to the school Athletic Director. For the Concussion in Sports course only, please go to: <http://nfhslearn.com/courses/61037/concussion-in-sports>
11. However, the *Concussion in Sports* course is the only course you should take on the website for the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS). All other courses listed in #4 above must be taken through the Human Kinetics Coach Education Center: [http://www.asep.com/asep\\_content/org/NCSDFL.cfm](http://www.asep.com/asep_content/org/NCSDFL.cfm)
12. **More course information is provided on the next page.**

## ATHLETIC COACHING ENDORSEMENT COURSE INFORMATION

Go to [http://www.asep.com/asep\\_content/org/NCSDFL.cfm](http://www.asep.com/asep_content/org/NCSDFL.cfm)

### Courses to Meet

#### ***Coaching Principles and Sports First Aid***

**Courses are available fully online with an e-book or online with an accompanying hard copy book shipped to you (shipping fees and tax apply).**

**OPTION #1: FL Coaching Education Online Package** \$100.00 (save \$20 by purchasing together). Includes **BOTH** 1) *Coaching Principles* and 2) *Sports First Aid* online courses. This combination package meets both topics #4a and 4b on the previous page.

Purchase an online course by clicking on the corresponding online course icon in the table at the bottom of the page, and then clicking "add to cart." To purchase more than one course in the same transaction, navigate back to his page and repeat the process to add the additional course.

**OPTION #2:** Each of the general courses, *Coaching Principles* (\$70.00) and *Sports First Aid* (\$50.00) may be purchased separately and taken separately to meet course topics # 4a and 4b on the previous page.

### Courses to Meet Topic 4c:

#### ***Sport-Specific Coaching Techniques***

All sport-specific courses are online, but include accompanying print textbooks.

**Please register for the course below for the sport you are coaching. If your sport is not listed, please notify your school's Athletic Director.**

#### Coaching Baseball Technical and Tactical Skills

This course will help you learn how to teach the skills and strategies and techniques and tactics of baseball. You'll learn about approaches to coaching, including the games approach (an alternative to drills-based coaching), you'll develop a season plan and a series of practice plans; and you'll improve your ability to coach during games. This course is suitable for high school coaches and for serious club coaches, and college coaches.

#### Coaching Basketball Technical and Tactical Skills

This course will help you learn how to teach the skills and strategies, and techniques and tactics of basketball. You'll learn about approaches to coaching, including the games approach (an alternative to drills-based coaching), you'll develop a season plan and a series of practice plans; and you'll improve your ability to coach during games. This course is suitable for high school coaches and for serious club coaches, college coaches, and advanced coaches at the youth level.

#### Coaching Cheerleading Principles

Coaching Cheerleading Principles is an online course and test based on the text, *Coaching Cheerleading Successfully*. The course satisfies the sport-specific component of ASEP's Bronze Level certification.

#### Coaching Football Technical and Tactical Skills

The course is designed to help coaches learn how to teach the technical and tactical skills of football and is suitable for high school coaches, serious club coaches, undergraduate students, and advanced coaches at the youth level.

#### Coaching Golf Principles with E-book

Coaching Golf Principles is an online course and test based on the e-book, *Coaching Golf Successfully*.

#### Coaching Soccer Principles 2E

Coaching Soccer Principles is an online course based on the text, *Skills and Strategies for Coaching Soccer 2E*. The course satisfies the sport-specific component of ASEP's Bronze Level certification.

#### Coaching Softball Technical and Tactical Skills

This course will help you learn how to teach the skills and strategies, and techniques and tactics of softball. You'll learn about approaches to coaching, including the games approach (an alternative to drills-based coaching), you'll develop a season plan and a series of practice plans; and you'll improve your ability to coach during games. This course is suitable for high school coaches and for serious club coaches, college coaches, and advanced coaches at the youth level.

#### Coaching Strength & Conditioning Principles

Coaching Strength and Conditioning Principles is an online course and test based on the text, *Bigger, Faster, Stronger*. The course satisfies the sport-specific component of ASEP's Bronze Level certification.

#### Coaching Swimming Principles

Coaching Swimming Principles is an open-book test based on the text, *Coaching Swimming Successfully*. The course satisfies the sport-specific component of ASEP's Bronze Level certification.

#### Coaching Tennis Technical and Tactical Skills

The American Sport Education Program (ASEP) brings the hard court to your hard drive with Coaching Tennis Technical and Tactical Skills online course, a newly released online course for tennis coaches of athletes 15 and older and those coaching higher-ability players ages 11 to 14.

#### Coaching Track & Field Principles

Coaching Track & Field Principles is based on the text, *Coaching Track & Field Successfully*, written by Mark Guthrie.

#### Coaching Volleyball Principles E-book

Coaching Volleyball Principles (e-book) is an online course and test based on the text, *The Volleyball Handbook*. The text, *The Volleyball Handbook*, is delivered in e-book format through Adobe Digital Editions. The course satisfies the sport-specific component of ASEP's Bronze Level certification.

#### Coaching Wrestling Principles

Coaching Wrestling Principles is an online course and test based on the text, *Coaching Wrestling Successfully*. The course satisfies the sport-specific component of ASEP's coaching education program. (This course **does not** satisfy USA Wrestling's Copper Level certification.)