



Volunteer Coaches Job Description

Purpose

The Lufkin Parks and Recreation volunteer position of a coach is intended to develop players to create a positive image of themselves, their teammates, coaches, game officials, and opponents. Coaches need to be good role models that make a positive learning environment for the children to learn sportsmanship, fundamental skills, teamwork, and responsibility.

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The Lufkin Parks and Recreation Department's youth sports emphasize skill development, fair play, teamwork, cooperation, sportsmanship, responsibility, and fun. Each participant should be allowed to play in every game and play different positions on the field/court.

Requirements

- Must fill out a Background Check through the Lufkin Parks and Recreation Department
- Sign and understand the Coaches Code of Conduct
- Regular attendance to all games and practices during the times provided by the Athletic Superintendent
- Communicate program information and game changes to parents and players

Responsibilities

- Teach fundamental skills to the children while emphasizing skill development, fair play, teamwork, sportsmanship, and fun.
- Provide a safe environment for practice and games – includes checking equipment and condition of fields/courts
- Conduct appropriate training sessions with skills that are age appropriate
- Responsible for the children until they are turned over to a parent or guardian before leaving any game and practice
- Report any problems with the field/court, equipment, player behavior, parent behavior, or officials to the Athletic Superintendent.
- Abide by all official's decisions. There will be no tolerance for inappropriate behavior toward officials
- Work with the Athletic Superintendent to set practices that work with the volunteer coach's schedule in the given times and locations provided by the Athletic Superintendent



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- Clean up any trash and properly put away all equipment used for practices and games
- Help with handing out and collecting all jerseys (*When necessary*)
- Distribute practice and game schedules to parents
- Cooperate and support the Athletic Superintendent on all coaching matters
- HAVE FUN! This is about the children learning and developing skills and should be the top priority.

As a volunteer coach, you are responsible for the safety and well-being of your players. Your responsibility only extends to holding practices, teaching appropriate skill sets, providing a positive role model for the children, creating a safe and fun environment, and getting information to parents on games, cancellations, and meetings. The Athletic Superintendent will leave all other matters to provide to the volunteer coaches.

The Lufkin Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank you for your time and commitment to our youth sports programs. Volunteers help make the programs a success!