



ATTENTION COACHES

One of the primary goals of the WIAA is to design all activities/sports to provide fair and equal opportunities for all participants and schools.

Philosophically, students should have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities and should not be directly or indirectly coerced or unduly influenced to participate in a single activity/sport all year long.

NOTE:

Coaches as private citizens, independent of their school, may work with their players following the conclusion of the final WIAA spring sport state tournament for high school coaches and following the last day of all spring schedules for middle school coaches. Coaches assume all risks and liability. If coaches use school facilities (fields, gymnasiums, etc.), they must rent or enter into a contract with the school district like any other individual or organization.

During the summer, coaches may work with their athletes and schools may sponsor programs. Summer ends July 31.

DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR COACHES MAY:

1. Conduct practices and contests ONLY during the specific WIAA sport season.
2. Conduct practice on Saturdays during the specific sport season.
3. Have one meeting with his/her squad prior to the opening day of practice to issue equipment and explain insurance, physical exams, season plans, training regulations, etc.
4. Organize and supervise a year-around conditioning program which, may include weight training, running and exercising, providing it is open to all students and does not include instruction in specific sport skills.
5. Work with his/her athletes following completion of the final WIAA spring sport state tournament (HS) / season (MS) in any sport through July 31.

DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR OUTSIDE THE DESIGNATED SPORTS SEASON COACHES MAY NOT:

1. DIRECT, COACH or SPONSOR practice or contests in the sport they coach to any of their squad members or future (grades 7-12) squad members until after the final WIAA spring sport state tournament (HS)/season (MS).
2. COACH or TEACH any phase of a game or activity to any squad or part of a squad or potential squad members (grades 7-12) in the sport they coach until after the final WIAA spring sport state tournament (HS)/season (MS).
3. Have any squad, or part of a squad or potential squad members (grades 7-12) ENGAGE IN DRILLS, under supervision of a coach in the sport they coach until after the final WIAA spring sport state tournament (HS)/season (MS).
4. Provide DIRECTION or INSTRUCTION to an individual to conduct any of the above in the sport they coach until after the final WIAA spring sport state tournament (HS)/season (MS).
5. DIRECT, COACH or SPONSOR practice or contests in the sport they coach to any of their squad members or future (grades 7-12) squad members from August 1, to the start of the sports season.