



Junior League Coach Position Description

Time Requirement 2-5 Hours per Week. The coach should be passionate about the sport of curling and have minimum of five years of experience in the ice. Please send your resumes to oldscurlinginfo@gmail.com by October 1. The Olds Curling Club is willing to pay a successful candidate for this position. Please outline compensation expectations in your application. The OCC has historically run a junior program on Wednesdays from 4-5:30pm and high school curling on Thursdays from 4-5:30pm. The junior league coach will help run the U8-U13 program and assist with the high school curling if necessary.

Purpose

Coaches of youth sports are role models and key players in making sports experiences gratifying and beneficial for children and teens. Not only do coaches help kids have fun and experience winning and losing, they also play an important role in positive youth development. While they deservedly celebrate the winners, coaches also recognize the efforts of all children who work hard to be good at sports. Coaching helps kids develop resilience, cope with disappointment, learn from mistakes, and make adjustments to strategies. These are all important aspects of developing initiative, an ability that children use in all aspects of life.

Qualifications

- Desire to work youth
- Must be able to coordinate and work well with volunteers
- Provide Criminal Record Check
- Have basic knowledge of first aid
- Knowledge of the sport
- Must be 18+ to be Head Coach
- Coaching Clinic would be beneficial, but not required

Duties and Responsibilities

- Ensure all curlers are registered
- Track equipment lent out to players
- Track attendance
- Create weekly lesson plans
- Organize assistant coaches for practices and bonspiels if required
- Depending on how many volunteers there are, run weekly plans. If there are enough volunteers - float and help correct and encourage players as they develop their skills
- Deal with grievance forms (If required)
- Speak with other clubs regarding bonspiels
- Monitor Curling Alberta bonspiels
- Organize teams for bonspiels
- At bonspiels - *Younger Children* – On the ice coaching to help skips and if someone needs encouragement
- *Older Children* - Monitor from inside unless skip calls for assistance. Keep notes to review with the team at breaks, after the game and for the next practice.
- Organize and run at least one local bonspiel, as well as coach during the bonspiel
- Help run clinics for children in Olds Curling Program
- Provide leadership, supervision, and basic curling instruction to children and youth up to age 14
- Assist athletes in acquiring sports skills
- Communicate effectively and appropriately with program participants and their families as well as the Board coordinator
- Attend available coaching clinics in the sport
- Set a good example as a role model for athletes, exhibit good sportsmanship