

Coaching Certification Process: Certified Teacher Coaches

Please contact Phil Coyle's office at Erie 1 BOCES (821-7530 or 913-7120/cell) for assistance with teacher coaches.

Please note that non-teacher and volunteer coaches are handled through the Erie 1 BOCES Certification Office/Janice Kilijanski (821-7194) for licensing. If your district is located under another BOCES, you must apply for licensing through that BOCES.

Basic Information

- A) Certified Teacher Coaches include physical education teachers and teachers of other subjects. Only individuals that hold NYS teacher certification for a subject area do not have to apply for a Temporary or Professional Coaching License.
- B) Certified Physical Education teachers must have the following:
- Valid First Aid
 - Valid CPR certification
 - Dignity for All Students (DASA), only if not certified or going for another Degree
- C) Teachers of subjects other than physical education must have the following:
- Valid First Aid
 - Valid CPR certification
 - Dignity for All Students (DASA), only if going for another Degree
 - *Philosophy, Principles and Organization of Athletics in Education* completed within two (2) years of their initial appointment as a coach. Coaches of non-contact, non-strenuous sports only need this one course (bowling, golf, table tennis, badminton, rifle, archery, shuffleboard).
 - *Health Sciences Applied to Coaching* and *Theory & Techniques of Coaching* (sport specific) completed within five (5) years of their initial appointment.
 - Workshop: Child Abuse Identification
 - Workshop: School Violence Intervention and Prevention (SAVE)
 - Fingerprint Clearance
- D) Extensions: applicants with extenuating circumstances may apply to SED for an extension of time to complete the coaching courses.
- E) Equivalent Experience: applicants who have taken college level coaching courses similar to the NYS required course work may request a review of transcripts and course descriptions from SED for equivalent experience.
- F) **Maintaining Records: It is the duty of the Chief School Officer to ensure that all coaches are correctly certified to coach. This duty is usually delegated to the Director of Physical Education/Athletics to maintain records and ensure all coaches have valid certifications and course work completion.**