

VOLUNTEER COACH GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

We encourage the involvement of qualified volunteer coaches who generously devote time for student-athletes. Volunteer coaches, who exemplify a strong character and express a pleasant demeanor, play a vital role in physical and emotional development of young student-athletes. Student-athletes have always looked for role models to draw insight, gather encouragement, and to perform beyond their current expectations. Volunteer coaches are greatly appreciated and their efforts serve towards the success of our athletic programs.

Application Process

As a prospective volunteer, there are four steps to successfully complete before the principal and athletic director recommend you to the Board of Education as a volunteer coach.

Step 1: Complete the [GBAPS volunteer application](#)

Step 2: Complete the [GBAPS background check](#).

Step 3: Meet with President and/or volunteer coordinator

Step 4: The youth board gives final approval of all volunteer coaches at the monthly meeting when possible

Volunteer Coach Expectations

We have learned that volunteer coaches want some direction on the expectations and how to relate to coaches and players. Use the following expectations for success:

Volunteer Coaches Duties:

- Help set up, inventory, repair, and put away equipment
- Ensure that all athletes are safe and accounted for
- Assist coaches in demonstration and organization
- Portray a positive and energetic attitude
- Assist in coaching athletes
- If someone gets hurt please stay with the injured person & ask others to get help.

If volunteers are not meeting the expectations/duties listed above, they can be asked to leave at any time. Any negative coaching can result in immediate dismissal from the program.

- Student-athletes should be accounted for at all times. Student-athletes should never be left or sent alone. Periodic headcounts are the coach's responsibility during practices.
- Praise in public and criticize in private.
- Volunteer coaches are not expected to handle discipline. Immediately notify the President or other available board member of disciplinary situations.
- Wear clothing appropriate for coaching and being in the presence of student-athletes.