

Rule 33.

### **Coaches' Education**

*All coaches hired prior to August 1, 1998 are exempt from this Rule. Coaches hired after 8/1/98 and before 7/1/05 must complete The Coaching Principals Course with the exception of Certified MA teachers.*

*All MIAA member school coaches (paid or volunteer) are required to take annually the on-line National Federation Concussion Course, or other recognized education program, prior to the start of their season. This Board of Directors' policy is effective with the upcoming winter season, which begins on Monday, November 29, 2010.*

All coaches (stipend or volunteer) first serving as an interscholastic coach after July 1, 2005 must complete an MIAA sponsored or approved coaches' education course of study. The approved course will consist of the National Federation of High Schools, NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching Course (must be passed prior to coaching a second year) and the NFHS Sports First Aid course (must be passed prior to coaching a third year).

All coaches (stipend or volunteer) first serving as an interscholastic coach after July 1, 2007 must complete the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching Course, the NFHS Sports First Aid course and the NFHS Sport Specific Technical and Tactical Skills Course in the sport they are coaching (must be completed prior to coaching a third year). Note: The sport-specific requirement will begin on July 1, 2007 or when the particular sport-specific course becomes available, if after this date.

***NFHS Sport Specific Technical and Tactical Skills Courses presently available: Basketball, Football, Soccer, Softball, Wrestling, Volleyball, Cheer & Dance (as of Fall 2010)***

The NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching Course requirement must be met through attending an MIAA sponsored Coaching Principles Clinic.

The NFHS Sports First Aid and Sport Specific requirement may be met by completing on-line courses.