

# USA HOCKEY COACHING EDUCATION PROGRAM

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM

**ELEVATE YOUR GAME & EMPOWER YOUR TEAM!**





# CONTINUING EDUCATION

## MISSION & PHILOSOPHY

With the advent of zoom and E-learning platforms, there is an incredible amount of resources available to coaches and educators of the game of hockey, today. USA Hockey has an obligation to our youth to consistently improve the learning environment for coaches so that our youth can benefit in kind for USA Hockey to be the best program in the country.

Although USA Hockey continues to be world leading in our approach to player development, we must continue to grow and develop our coaches with the modern game.

Through this space on E-Learning and Continuing Educational opportunities, we shall provide quality education to help coaches continue to evolve with the everchanging game.



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## THE HISTORY

Effective in the 2022-23 season, Level 4 coaching certifications are valid for three (3) seasons, and Level 5 coaching certifications are valid for four (4) seasons, each as indicated by an expiration date. Before the expiration of their level, coaches must accumulate 5 credit hours of continuing education by attending USA Hockey continuing education offerings. The USA Hockey clinic listings will indicate all continuing education offerings and the credit value of each. The Coaching Education Program retains the responsibility for defining continuing education credit values, including clinic or online course work.



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## GRANDFATHER CLAUSE

For those coaches who received their Level 4 or Level 5 certification PRIOR TO January 1, 2021, and who are not coaching a tier I or Tier II team or begin to coach a Tier I or Tier II team after this date are Grandfathered. Any coach who coaches or begins to coach a Tier I or Tier II team, will be required to do continuing education, even if they have received their Level 4 or Level 5 certification prior to January 1, 2021.





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## PREVIOUS/EXPIRED CERTIFICATIONS



Coaches with any expired certification will retain their previous certification levels provided the certification can be verified. Coaches may re-enter the certification system at that previous level and be subject to the certification guidelines.



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## GOALTENDER COURSES



Goaltender (BRONZE) courses will no longer be applied as a level up for the general Coaching Education Program track. However, these courses will be applied toward continuing education units for Level 4 and 5 coaches. Both the Bronze clinic and the Silver clinic completion is worth 5 continuing education units.



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## THIRD PARTY

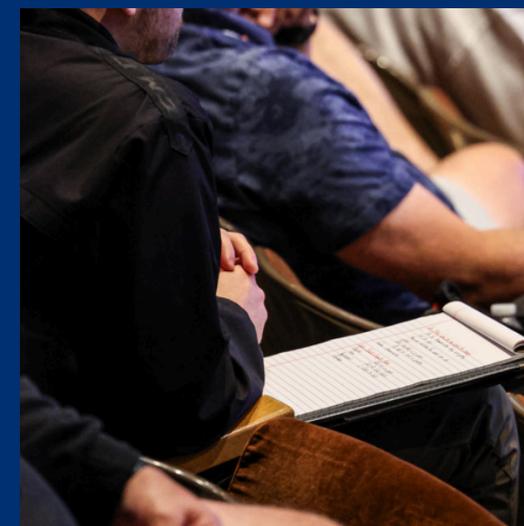
Third party continuing education opportunities are available at specific events. Examples of 3rd parties have been NHLCA Clinics, Athletic Health Space, The Coaches Site, etc.

**MICHIGAN STATE HOCKEY COACHES CONFERENCE | THURSDAY, JULY 24**

**DETROIT RED WINGS COACHING CONFERENCE**

**NTDP COACHING CONFERENCE**

**GLI COACHING CONFERENCE**





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## PLAYER DEVELOPMENT MANAGER CLINICS

This series of one-hour Zoom courses, each worth 1 credit, is led by USA Hockey Managers of Player Development. The sessions focus on enhancing coaching skills, player development strategies, and understanding USA Hockey's player development principals.

### EXAMPLES:

**DYNAMIC SKATING, CREATING LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS,  
INCORPORATING GOALIES IN TEAM PRACTICE**



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## BANKING CE CREDITS

Coaches that are Level 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 may accumulate continuing education credits and will remain available for a maximum of 8 years since completed, subject to the Level 4 and Level 5 expiration credit hours.

Coaches at the 6u/8u Level will be able to take continuing education but will not be able to bank credit hours.

Once a Level 4 or 5 coach reaches their expiration date, all credits will be applied from their account and if they have their 5 credits of continuing education their certification will renew.





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**6U/8U**



Coaches must enter USA Hockey's Coaching Education Program at the 6U/8U Level if coaching Learn to Skate (LTS), Learn to Play (LTP), 6U/8U classification or a Level 1 if they are coaching 10U classification and above

# USA HOCKEY LEARNING CENTER

The screenshot shows a user dashboard for Matt Kakabeeke. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation links. The dashboard includes a profile section with coaching details, two certification status cards (Safe Sport Certification and Background Screen), a welcome video, and a course recommendation banner. Below this are sections for Coaching Level 5, Age-Specific Modules (8U and 10U/12U), and a list of Additional Resources. A Continuing Education section features six video thumbnails. A Help Center link is located at the bottom right.

**MATT KAKABEEKE's Coaching Dashboard**

USA Hockey SSO ID: MKAKAB49917 | Annual Confirmation #: 119652261KAKAB | Expires: 07/29/2025

Current Coach Level: 5 | Coach Level Expiration: 2025-12-31 | Season to Renew: 2025/2026

Age-Specific Modules Completed: 8U | 10U | 12U | 14U | 15O/1... | Current CE Credits: 18

**Safe Sport Certification** | Expires: 07/29/2025 | **GO TO COURSE**

**Background Screen** | Season to Renew: 2025/2026 | **GO TO COURSE**

**WELCOME TO USA HOCKEY**

What courses should I take? **FIND OUT MORE**

**Coaching Level 5**

**5 COACHING CLINIC**

Coaching: Level 5

EN

ILT (Instructor-Led Training)

**Age-Specific Modules** 1/2

**8U AGE-SPECIFIC MODULE**

8U Age Specific Module

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**10U/12U AGE-SPECIFIC MODULE**

10/12U Age Specific Module

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**Additional Resources**

- COACHING REQUIREMENTS
- PRACTICE PLANS
- MOBILE COACH
- USA HOCKEY GOALTENDING
- ADM KIDS
- USA HOCKEY PODCAST
- DISABLED COACHING

**Continuing Education** **VIEW ALL CONTINUING ED. COURSES**

- HOW-TO-COACH SKILLS
- PLAYER SAFETY
- PLAYER DEVELOPMENT
- GOALTENDING DEVELOPMENT
- EXTERNAL TRAINING
- SPECIAL EVENTS

**Need Help?**

Please click below to review FAQs or contact us for support.

**HELP CENTER**

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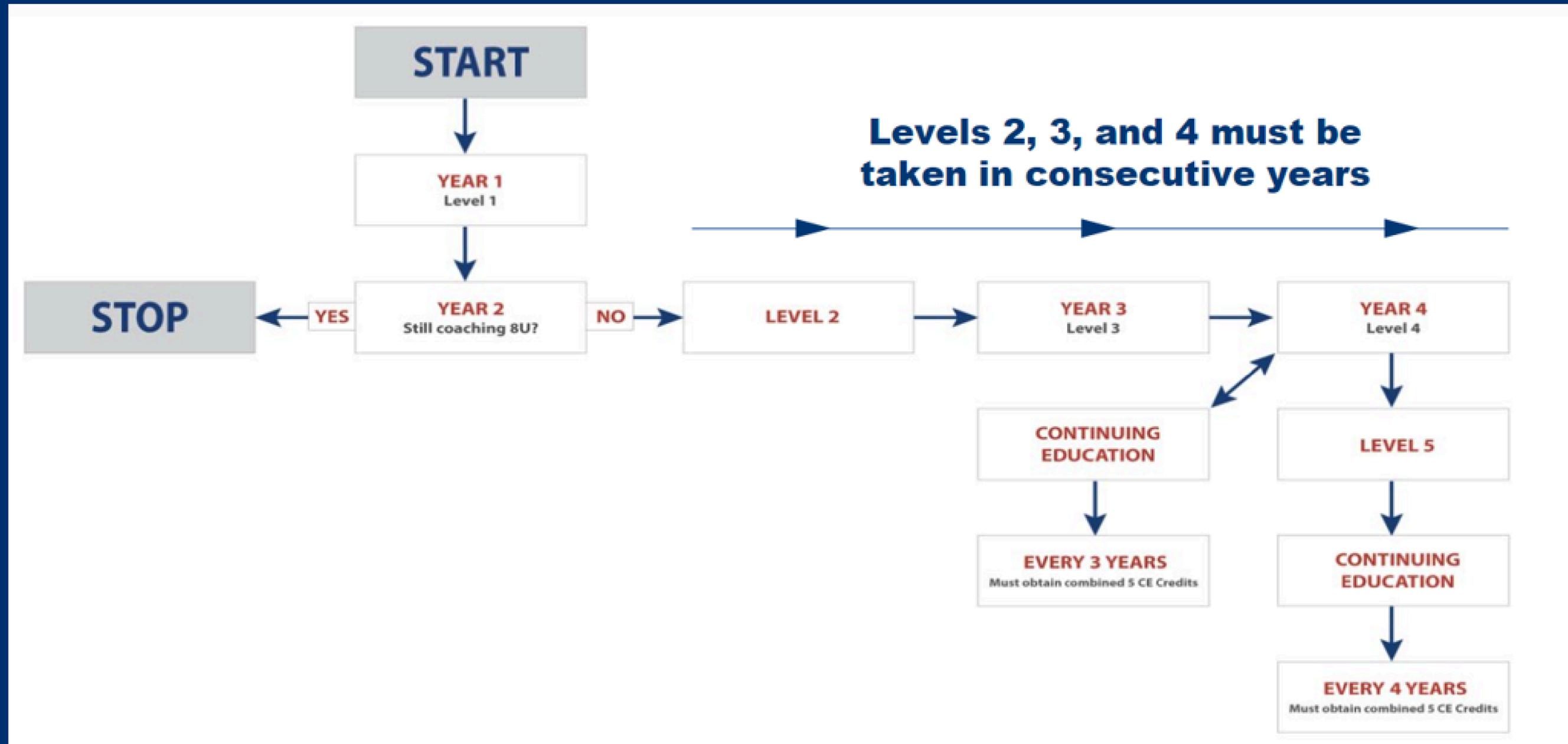
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## COACHING EDUCATION CLINICS

- Coaching clinics will be posted beginning July 15.
- Coaches have until December 15 each season to complete their coaching clinic requirement.
- Most clinics will be virtual (online) clinics.
- You can attend any clinic, hosted by any District/Affiliate across the country.
- Clinics are first come, first serve, and are not guaranteed to have seats available if the class is at full capacity of 60.
- There will be a variety of available clinic dates and times which will fit to every coach's schedule.
- Coaches can only take 1 clinic per season.
- NO REFUNDS

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## FLOW CHART





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## MICHIGAN COACHING CLINICS | EXPECTATIONS

Level 4 – 6

Level 3 – 11

Level 2 – 11

Level 1 – 8





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