

COTTAGE GROVE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION COACHING PROCEDURES

All coaches will need to be aware of the following steps and responsibilities listed below if they are choosing to coach in the Cottage Grove Hockey Association this winter.

ALL COACHES (MINI MITE THROUGH ALL TRAVELLING TEAMS)

1. CGHA Coaches Registration
 - All coaches will need to register on cghockey.com.
 - This is where you will receive your USA Member # by registering with USA Hockey.
2. Coaches must also complete the following before you step on the ice for the start of the season.
 1. CEP # acquired by completing the online age specific modules (video and questions)
 2. Background Screening
 3. Safe Sport Training (90 minute video with questions)
 4. Coaching Education Program Certification (must attend a clinic for your level 1-4)
 5. Concussion Safety

Have Questions?

- Coaches can find more specific information on these requirements at cghockey.com by clicking on “resources”, “coaches” then scroll down to where you will see “5 steps to become a hockey coach.”
- If you need additional information please contact your level director. Their contact is on cghockey.com under “Association”, “CGHA Board” then scroll down to see the board members and their contact.

TRAVELLING HOCKEY COACHES (SQUIRT, PEE WEE, BANTAM, U10, U12)

1. CGHA Coaches who wish to be considered for a top level head coaching position (Bantam AA, PeeWee A, U12 Tier 3, U10 Tier 3, and Squirt A), will need to answer all coaching related questions within the registration process.
 - **(Due Sunday August 23rd for all top level head coaching requests)**
 - All Registrations for Top Level Head Coaches will be reviewed during the week of August 24th by the Hockey Committee.
 - Please Fill out all the hockey coaching questions related to the head coaches.

Coaches Interviews (only coaches who aspire to be a top level head coach will be interviewed)

- Following the review of all registrations, interview times will be set up by the hockey committee and contact will be made by level directors with the Top Level Head Coaches.
- Interview date and time is TBD, but will more than likely be early September.

- It is the intent of the committee to keep interviews 15 – 20 minutes in length.
- Members of the hockey committee will be present for the interview process.

Naming of the Coaches

- This season only the top-level head coach (ex. squirt A, but not B and C) will be chosen and announced before tryouts.
- Level directors will contact all people interviewed after all are completed.
- Naming of all other travelling head and assistant coaches will happen after tryouts. Level directors will make contact after tryouts are complete.

Clinics and Tryouts

- All coaches (head and all aspiring assistants) who have registered with CGHA, intending to coach during the 2020-21 season, will have a role during the tryout process. Clinics may be run this year by our High School Programs.
 1. Evaluator in the stands (3-5 in house parent coaches from each level will be evaluators along with 3-4 non parent evaluators from the hockey committee).
 2. Running drills and games on the ice
 3. Running the bench and organizing players
 4. Assisting in other areas such as getting jerseys organized, pucks ready, running clock, working the door etc.
- Tryout procedures will be sent out separately and can also be found at CGhockey.com.

U8 GIRLS AND MITE BOYS COACHES **MITES/U8 ARE TYPICALLY (2ND AND 3RD GRADERS)**

Player Skill Evaluations

- All mite players will be evaluated on at the end of October. This will require as many coaches being available as possible. Please have all needed information completed so these days are smooth and efficient.
- All coaches (head and all aspiring assistants) who have registered with CGHA and entered an application, intending to coach during the 2020-21 season, will have a role during the evaluation process.
 1. Evaluator in the stands
 2. Running drills and games on the ice
 3. Running the bench and organizing players
 4. Assisting in other areas such as getting jerseys organized, pucks ready, running clock, working the door etc.

Mini Mite Boys and Girls Coaches

Mini Mites are typically U4 (Pre -K), U5 (Kindergarten) and U6 (1st grade)

Start of Season

- There are a lot of moving parts to begin the season so we are asking that all coaches have their requirements ready to go so the first day is efficient, smooth and fun for the kids.
CGHA understands the commitment for all of us to become coaches. We appreciate all coaches commitment to creating a positive experience for the players.