

2021 National Hockey Coaches Symposium

Level 5
Duluth, MN
August 19-22, 2021

Schedule of Events

THURSDAY – August 19, 2021

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Mike Macmillan

National Coach-in-Chief, USA Hockey

Christian Koelling

Minnesota District Coach-in-Chief, USA Hockey

Dan Brennan

Director of Sled National Teams, USA Hockey

“Level 5 Requirements”

Dave Caruso

Manager of Coaching Education Program, USA Hockey

“CEP Updates”

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Discussion with the State of Hockey’s Division 1 Men’s Coaches

Mike Hastings – Head Coach, Minnesota State University, Mankato

Brett Larson – Head Coach, St. Cloud State University

Bob Motzko – Head Coach, University of Minnesota

Scott Sandelin – Head Coach, University of Minnesota Duluth

Tom Serratore – Head Coach, Bemidji State University

8:00 pm – 10:00pm

Welcome Reception

Hosted by Minnesota Hockey

FRIDAY – August 20, 2021

8:00 am – 8:15 am

Mark Tabrum

Director of Coaching Education Program, USA Hockey

8:15 am – 9:15 am

Don Granato

Head Coach, Buffalo Sabres (NHL)

“Maximizing Future Success”

9:30 am – 10:30 am

John Hynes

Head Coach, Nashville Predators (NHL)

“Team Culture & Identity”

10:45 am – 12:00 pm

Breakout Session #1

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Lunch

- 1:15 pm – 2:15 pm **Adam Nightingale**
Head Coach, National Team Development Program (NTDP)
“Passing/Puck Support: Developing Players that are Easy to Play with”
- 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm **Discussion with the State of Hockey’s Division 1 Women’s Coaches**
Laura Bellamy – Associate Head Coach, University of Minnesota Duluth
Bethany Brausen – Assistant Coach, University of St. Thomas
Molly Engstrom – Assistant Coach, St. Cloud State University
Amber Fryklund – Assistant Professor – Human Performance, Sport, & Health (Former Associate Head Coach), Bemidji State University
- 3:45 pm – 4:45 pm **Seth Appert**
Head Coach, Rochester Americans (AHL)
“Driving Habits, Skill & Identity Through Small Games”
- 5:00 pm – 6:15 pm Breakout Session #2
- SATURDAY – August 21, 2021**
- 8:00 am – 8:15 am **Mike Trimboli**
President, USA Hockey
- 8:15 am – 9:15 am **Tim Army**
Head Coach, Iowa Wild (AHL)
“Offensive Zone Play: Skill Development for all Levels of Play”
- 9:30 am – 10:30 am **Dan Muse**
Head Coach, National Team Development Program (NTDP)
“Creating a Thinking Environment”
- 10:45 am – 12:00 pm Breakout Session #3
- 12:00 pm – 1:00pm Lunch
- 1:15 pm – 2:15 pm **Natalie Darwitz**
Assistant Coach, University of Minnesota
“Developing your own Coaching Philosophy”
- 2:30 pm – 3:30pm **Discussion with College Hockey Icons**
Dean Blais – Former Head Coach, University of North Dakota & University of Nebraska Omaha
Mike Sertich – Former Head Coach, University of Minnesota Duluth & Michigan Tech University
- 3:45 pm – 4:45 pm **Mike Sullivan**
Head Coach, Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL)
“Creating a Training Environment to Succeed in the Modern Game”
- 5:00 pm – 6:15 pm Breakout Session #4

SUNDAY – August 22, 2021

8:00 am – 8:15 am

Pat Kelleher
Executive Director, USA Hockey

8:15 am – 9:15 am

Ty Hennes
Skills and Development Coach, Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL)
“Skill Development: Training for Success in the Game Environment”

9:30 am – 10:45 am

Breakout #5

11:00 am – 12:00pm

Jeff Blashill
Head Coach, Detroit Red Wings (NHL)
“Don’t Cut & Paste: Turn New Information into Long-Term Success”

12:00

Closing Remarks and Checkout