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[Policy IJOBA](#)**Extra-Curricular Programs – Community Coaches**

School Teams will normally be coached by a teacher who is a member of the staff of the school which the team represents. Situations may arise where there is not a teacher who is part of the school staff who has the required coaching skills. A community coach may be approved to coach the team if there is not a teacher who is part of the school staff that possesses the necessary skill. If the community coach is a member of the Pine Creek School division teaching staff they will be allowed to deal with the team without having a teacher of that school present. However, the Principal must agree to take responsibility for the team. This would involve making transportation arrangements and entering tournaments, etc. All Manitoba High School Athletic Association regulations will be adhered to.

If the community coach is not a member of the teaching staff of the school division, a member of the teaching staff of the school must agree to take responsibility for the team. This would involve accompanying the team to all competitions, assuming responsibility for practices and making arrangements for entering tournaments and all transportation. When this occurs the following procedure is to be followed:

1. The teacher supervisor must be identified prior to any discussion regarding who the community coach might be.
2. Once identified, the teacher supervisor, in consultation with the Principal, is expected to identify and approve a member of the community who has an interest in coaching and who they believe possess the necessary skills, abilities and attributes to successfully coach the team.
3. The community coach must complete a Criminal Record Check and Child Abuse Registry Declaration, provide appropriate identification and complete forms required for the school division to complete the appropriate criminal records and Child Abuse Registry checks (see Regulation IJOC). Once the Declaration has been completed and the checks initiated, the approval process can proceed.
4. The community coach must then be approved by the Principal(s) in consultation with the Superintendent.

It is understood that the community coach has authority over students during practice, and during the competition. It is also understood that the community coach as well as members of the team are subject to all school rules and that the teacher supervisor has authority over them both during practice, games and while in transit. The teacher supervisor is responsible for transportation arrangements, accommodations, entering tournaments and competitions and all communication with Manitoba High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) etc.