

GBSA COACHING REQUIREMENTS & COMPLETION INSTRUCTIONS 2021

To be a coach in GBSA, you must meet three requirements:

- Read and acknowledge to adhere to the GBSA Coach's Pledge,
- Pass a Federal background check, and
- Complete the National Federation of State High School Association' (NFHS) Concussion in Sports training.

What is the Pledge I need to sign?

You will be asked to sign the GBSA's Coach's Pledge.

GBSA Coach's Pledge and Memorandum of Understanding:

- I have been provided a copy of GBSA rules for all leagues and age levels.
- I have been provided a copy of GBSA safety rules, policies, and Covid safety protocols.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group. I will not verbally, emotionally, or sexually abuse any player. I understand these actions are not covered by the GBSA insurance policy.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
- I promise to review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
- I will not cheat or engage in any form of unethical behavior that violates GBSA rules.
- I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I have been provided the rules of and will be knowledgeable of the rules of and will teach these rules to my players.
- I will use those coaching techniques appropriate for all of the skills that I teach.
- I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults
- I understand that transporting youths to activities is not covered by the GBSA insurance policy.
- I will not allow players who are not registered with GBSA participate in GBSA activities. I understand that players that are not on a roster are not covered by GBSA insurance policy.
- I will follow all GBSA policies related to health and safety including Covid safety protocols.

*Adapted from the National Alliance from Youth Sports

To complete sign the Coach's Pledge please visit:

<https://grandviewbaseballandsoftballassociation.teamsnapsites.com/registration/>

How do I complete the background check?

Go to <https://opportunities.averity.com/GBSA>. Follow the link and provide some basic information including your social security number. Protect Youth Sports will then complete a background check and provide the results to GBSA. If you don't hear anything, you passed.

How do I take Concussion in Sports training course?

This is a mandated training for all coaches working with youth in the state of Ohio. We must have a copy of your completed concussion course by April 31, 2021.

- 1) Each coach needs to visit <https://nfhslearn.com/courses/concussion-in-sports-2>.
- 2) Complete the training.
- 3) At the conclusion of the training, it will give you a prompt to download your certificate. Download the certificate.
- 4) E-mail your certificate to loganphilipps@yahoo.com

This training lasts for three years. If you have completed it in the last three years, GBSA already has a copy of your certificate and you will not receive an e-mail. If you are unsure, please just check in with Logan.

If you have any questions, please contact Logan Philipps at (614) 795-7958 or loganphilipps@yahoo.com.