

TEACH ONLINE CERTIFICATION SERVICES NON-TEACHER COACHES APPLICATION PROCESS

PROVIDED BY THE GENESEE VALLEY BOCES REGIONAL CERTIFICATION OFFICE

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SETTING UP TEACH ACCOUNT

- 1) Go to <https://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/teach/home.html> and click “Create a NY.gov TEACH account” button. You will encounter a STOP sign twice in this process and is a warning for individuals who have already established an account. Continue past these screens in order to create the account.
- 2) (If you already have a TEACH account click “Login to TEACH” to access your information. DO NOT SET UP ANOTHER ACCOUNT.)
- 3) **Keep track of your user ID and password!** Do not save it to your computer because it will cause problems whenever you need to log into other NY.gov accounts for departments such as the DMV, unemployment, sales tax, income tax, etc.

NOTE: If you have difficulty accessing your TEACH account, you will need to email to teachhelp@nysed.gov

APPLYING FOR CERTIFICATION

- 1) Go to www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/teach/ and click on the “TEACH Online Services” button.
- 2) Click “Login to TEACH” and log in using your User ID and password.
- 3) Click “TEACH Online Services” and under Online Application, click “Apply for Certificate.”
- 4) Click “Next” and complete “Enter/Edit Employment”. If you have not already done so, be sure to enter name of school you will be coaching for. [If you have not coached enter “From Date” as the first day of the current month and the “To Date” as the date you are applying.] The name of the district is required. Under “Employment Type” click “Part Time” and enter 20 hours estimated.
- 5) Select “Enter/Edit Education” information and click “All Other Programs and Coursework” radio button (this button is preset at top of page and will need to be changed by you). Complete basic education and date of degree(s). Click “Add” and select “DONE.”
- 6) Click on “Apply for a Certificate” and “Selecting Certificate(s)” and complete as follows:
 - **Select Area of Interest:** “Coaching”
 - **Select Subject Area:** “Coaching”
 - **Select Grade Level:** “Adolescent – Grades 7-12”

- **Select Title** From dropdown list, select specific sport
 - **Select Type of Certificate:** From dropdown list, select the license required and click “*DONE.*”
 - **Select Pathway:**
 - **For Temporary Coaching License (first coaching license ever)** - select “*Individual Evaluation*” from dropdown list
 - **For Temporary Coaching License 1st Renewal** - select “*Individual Evaluation*” from dropdown list
 - **For Temporary Coaching License 2nd-4th Renewals** – select from the dropdown list either
 - “*Individual Evaluation*” which means you would take the Philosophy course **OR**
 - “*NFHS*” which means you would complete the NFHS certificate components for Coach Level 1 and Level 2 (previously AIC).
 - **For Professional Coaching License** – select from the dropdown list either
 - “*Individual Evaluation*” which means you would take the Health and Theory courses **OR**
 - “*NFHS*” which means you would complete the NFHS certificate components for Level 3 (previously CIC).
 - **For Professional Coaching License Renewal** – select the same pathway you selected for your previous Professional license
 - Click “*NEXT.*”
- 7) **IMPORTANT REMINDER:** If planning to coach at a component school district of the following BOCES be sure to select “Genesee Valley BOCES” to complete the evaluation: 1) Genesee Valley Educational Partnership, 2) Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES or 3) Monroe 2 BOCES. Once selected, click “*NEXT.*”
- 8) Step 3 of the process is “Sign Affidavit.” Follow the instructions and click “*SIGN AFFIDAVIT.*”
- 9) Step 4 of the process is “Confirm and Sign Application.” This screen indicates the cost of the coaching license(s). Read the statement and click “*Sign Application.*” (You can pay online with a credit card or by mailing a postal money order to the State. If you choose to send the payment to the State, print payment coupon and send with a postal money order.) Click “*SUBMIT.*”

NEW YORK STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-TEACHER COACHES

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TEMPORARY COACHING LICENSE - License issued for one year (\$50 fee)

- **1st Year Coaches** in a particular sport must apply for a "**Temporary Coaching License**."
- Requirements include:
- Apply and pay on TEACH
 - Fingerprint Clearance through TEACH – contact MorphoTrust at www.identoGo.com (call 877-472-6915) - Service Code for registration: **14ZGQT**
 - First Aid and CPR, As of **November 1, 2024**, districts wishing to employ coaches must verify, collect, and retain CPR and First Aid credentials of the coaches. An additional attestation has been added to the Temporary, Temporary Renewal, and 2nd-4th Renewal Superintendent Statement to be completed by the district representative. The Office of Teaching will no longer accept CPR or First Aid documentation from the public for these applications.
 - Child Abuse Identification Workshop
 - [NYS Office of Children & Family Services](#)
 - [Listing of NYSED Approved Providers](#)
 - School Violence and Prevention Workshop (SAVE)
 - [GV BOCES](#)
 - [GST BOCES](#)
 - www.violenceworkshop.com
 - [Listing of NYSED Approved Providers](#)
 - Dignity for All Students Act (DASA)
 - [Section V – NYS PHSA](#) There is NO COST for coaches or district.
 - [GV BOCES](#)
 - [Listing of NYSED Approved Providers](#)
 - School District Recommendation (Superintendent's statement must be entered on TEACH by district)

Overview of All Coaching Licenses & Requirements

Temporary Coaching License 1st Renewal - *License issued for one year (\$50 fee)*

Requirements: Apply and pay on TEACH, Valid First Aid, Valid CPR and School District recommendation. Coach must have held a Temporary Coaching License.

Temporary Coaching License 2ND-4TH Renewal - *License issued for one year (\$50 fee)*

Requirements: Apply and pay on TEACH, Valid First Aid, Valid CPR, School District recommendation and completion of required coaching coursework. (See Coaching Coursework Options Sheet) Coach must have held a Temporary Coaching License 1st Renewal.

PROFESSIONAL COACHING LICENSE - *License issued for three years (\$50 fee)*

Requirements – Apply and pay on TEACH, Valid First Aid, Valid CPR, all required coursework, AND coach must have held a minimum of three (3) Temporary Coaching Licenses/Renewals in the same sport.

Professional Coaching License Renewal - *License issued for three years (\$50 fee)*

Requirements – Apply and pay on TEACH, Valid First Aid, Valid CPR, most recent three years of evaluations/verification of experience.

COACHING COURSE OPTIONS – INFORMATION SHEET

There are two options available for high school coaches in New York State for required coaching coursework. These alternatives apply to both certified teacher coaches and non-teacher coaches. Information on course options is provided below along with timeline for completion.

Non-Teacher Coaches: Verification of completed coursework should be provided to the Regional Certification Office for evaluation purposes and to the district Athletic Director.

Certified Teacher Coaches: Verification of coursework should be provided to Athletic Directors of any school that the certified teacher coaches with. It is the responsibility of the teacher to maintain a copy and provide verification to any school district that he/she plans to coach with. **NOTE:** Verification is NOT sent to the Regional Certification Office since no evaluation is required for a certified teacher coach.

COACHING COURSE PATHWAY- INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Under the Individual Evaluation pathway</u> coursework can be completed in a classroom setting and/or online through a State-approved agency. We recommend that you work closely with your participating LEAs and local athletic section to identify which colleges, universities, or continuing education programs are offering coursework that meets the regulatory requirements for this pathway. If coursework has not been completed within the timeline noted below, the individual can apply to the NYSED Office of Curriculum and Instruction for a time extension If coursework was completed through a college and can be verified on a college transcript, the individual can apply for a coaching course equivalency review by completing an appropriate application and submitting it to the NYSED Office of Curriculum and Instruction along with a copy of the college transcript and related course descriptions. Application for an equivalency review 	
Course Title	Timeline for Completion
Course I: Principles, Philosophy and Organization of Athletics in Education	Course I must be completed to get the first TCL 2-4 Renewal. There is no extension for this course.
Course II: Health Sciences Applied to Coaches	Courses II and III must be completed within five (5) years of when the Temporary Coaching License (TCL) was issued or when applying for a Professional Coaching license, whichever comes first.
Course III: Theory & Techniques of Coaching (must be sport specific)	

COACHING COURSE PATHWAY – NFHS Coach Certification Program

- **Under the NFHS pathway** courses are provided online through the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Coach Certification Program website at [NFHS Learn | Interscholastic Education, Made Easy](#). Refer to specific course title/levels for information on completion timeline under Option II.
- All NFHS coursework is completed online.
- If coursework has not been completed within the timeline noted below, the individual can apply to the NYSED Office of Curriculum and Instruction for a [time extension](#)

Course/Level	Components	Timeline for Completion
NFHS Level 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundamentals of Coaching (NYS Specific): \$35 • Concussion in Sports: Free • Protecting Students from Abuse: Free • Sudden Cardiac Arrest: Free 	Level 1 must be completed to get the first TCL 2-4 Renewal
NFHS Level 2	All of Level 1, plus the additional courses below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heat Illness Prevention: Free • Coaching Mental Wellness (formerly Student Mental Health and Suicide Prevention) • Emergency Action Planning for Afterschool Programs • First Aid, Health and Safety: \$45 • One sport-specific course of choice: Range \$35 to \$75; all courses can be found at www.nfhslearn.com 	Level 2 must be completed to get the first TCL 2-4 Renewal
NFHS Level 3	All of Levels 1 and 2, plus the additional courses below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bullying, Hazing and Inappropriate Behaviors: Free • Implicit Bias • Strength and Conditioning: \$50 • Teaching and Modeling Behavior: \$20 • Engaging Effectively with Parents: Free • Sportsmanship: Free 	Level 3 must be completed within five (5) years of when the Temporary Coaching License (TCL) was issued or when applying for a Professional Coaching license, whichever comes first.
NFHS Internship (30 hours minimum)	➤ Internship Evaluation Attestation Form: The sport-specific Internship Attestation form is completed under Level 3 and is required for <u>evaluation purposes</u> for non-teacher coaches. This document must include original signature of the Athletic Director and be submitted to the Regional Certification Office for INITIAL Professional Coaching Certification to be submitted to NYSED OTI by the Certification Office.	