



SDIRC Steps to Employment as an Athletic Coach

1. Submit your application for an Athletic Coaching Certification with the [Florida Department of Education](#).
2. Apply to become an Athletic Coach through the [district's website](#).
3. Wait to be contacted by Human Resources to schedule your orientation appointment. This only occurs once an offer of employment is extended and accepted.

Orientation includes the following fee:

- Fingerprinting/Workplace screening fee: **\$118.00**

Payable by credit or debit card only at time of service using Visa, Mastercard or American Express. **Discover is not accepted.**

Please note: You may not begin employment until the orientation is complete and Human Resources has given final clearance.

Athletic Coaching Certification

All coaches who do not hold a valid Florida Educator's Certificate are required to obtain either a **Three-Year** or **Five-Year Florida Athletic Coaching Certificate**.

Three-Year Athletic Coaching Certificate

A one-time, nonrenewable three-year certificate in Athletic Coaching may be issued to an individual who:

- Submits an application and the current processing fee of \$75.00 with the [Florida Department of Education](#).
- Has been approved to volunteer and completes fingerprinting through the FDLE and FBI after being accepted for a coaching role.

Five-year Athletic Coaching Certificate

A five-year certificate in Athletic Coaching may be issued to an individual who:

- Submits an application and the current processing fee of \$75.00 with the [Florida Department of Education](#).
- Meets the specialization requirements for the Athletic Coaching Endorsement (Rule 6A-4.0282), which include:
 - Three (3) semester hours in Care and Prevention of Athletic Injuries and the effects and dangers of drug use, including performance-enhancing drugs.
 - Three (3) semester hours in coaching theory.
 - Three (3) semester hours in theory and practice of coaching a specific sport.
 - A valid CPR certificate from the American Heart Association or American Red Cross.
 - First Aid certification, including training in the use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).
- Has been approved for employment and completed fingerprinting (FDLE/FBI), with results no older than one year.

Coursework Options

The course requirements may be met through college coursework or the [Human Kinetics Athletic Coaching Endorsement program](#), which is approved under the School District of Indian River County's Master Inservice Plan.

For additional information about coursework or certifications:

- Certification: (772) 564-3116
- Professional Learning: (772) 564-3025