

CONNELLSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: COMMUNITY
TITLE: VOLUNTEER COACHES
ADOPTED: December 20, 2006
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<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Definition</p> <p>3. Guidelines</p> <p>SC 111 23 Pa. C.S.A. 6301 et seq Title 22 Sec. 8.1 et seq</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">916.1. VOLUNTEER COACHES</p> <p>Volunteer coaches may be utilized as necessary to enhance the program that the regular staff is providing to students.</p> <p>Volunteer coach – any person approved by the Board to work as an unpaid coach to assist the head coach and their assistants in the various responsibilities of teaching and working with the student/athletes of the school district. All successful candidates must abide by and observe the philosophy, rules and regulations of the P.I.A.A., W.P.I.A.L. and the school district.</p> <p>Any interested persons wishing to be considered for a volunteer coach position must file an application. Applications are available in the Senior High Athletic Office or in the principal's office at Junior High East and West.</p> <p>All applications should be completed in their entirety and returned with a written letter of recommendation from the head coach of the athletic team. The Senior High Athletic Director will accept all applications.</p> <p>The appropriate building principal will be notified of the request to volunteer coach and for approval.</p> <p>Applications will be presented to the Board for approval.</p> <p>All candidates approved by the Board must furnish valid (dated within one (1) year of application) Act 34 and Act 151 clearances within thirty (30) days of approval. Failure to furnish the required clearances will result in termination. Yearly renewal by a volunteer coach will not require a candidate to furnish new clearances. If a volunteer coach has not coached the previous year new clearances must be furnished.</p>
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Volunteer coaches will operate under the supervision of the Board approved supplemental contracted coach. Normally volunteer coaches never have exclusive responsibility of supervising athletes. The building principal and/or the Athletic Director must approve situations where a volunteer is needed to supervise student/athletes.

Anyone that is not approved by the Board cannot and is not permitted to work with student athletes on a daily basis. On a temporary basis a coach can invite guest instructors to provide valuable instruction. Please keep in mind that this person is not approved by the Board and is limited to instruction and may not participate in a competitive situation with the students of the school district.

Approved volunteer coaches must comply with the same set of rules and regulations as a paid coach. They must help to provide opportunities for young athletes to develop their respective capabilities to the fullest extent, develop positive attitudes and promote and teach only ethical, aggressive fair play while stressing good sportsmanship at all times. The coach must be a leader and set the example.

Volunteer coaches must apply each year for Board approval.