Athletic Coaching Certification

The Florida Department of Education issues two types of Athletic Coaching Certificates, a 3-Year Temporary Certificate and a 5-Year Certificate. The 3-Year Temporary is issued to give the coach time to complete the requirements for the 5-Year Certificate. The 3-Year Temporary Certificate is not renewable.

Who needs it?

Coaches who are paid a coaching supplement, but don’t hold a valid Temporary or Professional Educator Certificate.

What is required for a 3-Year Temporary Certificate?

An application for Athletic Coaching Educator Certification must be made online with the Department of Education at https://flcertify.fldoe.org/datamart, prior to starting coaching.

1. A fee of $75.00 must be paid by either VISA or MasterCard.
2. Fingerprint results that are no older than one year. (See HR for help.)
3. The 3-Year Temporary certificate is non-renewable.
4. Send a copy of your 3-year Temporary Coaching Certification to HR (Lori.Sandgren@wcsb.us)

What is required for a 5-Year Certificate?

180 Inservice points in athletic coaching course below:

1. Care and Prevention of Athletic Injuries (Sports Medicine)
   a. 60 points minimum
   b. PAEC Identifier Number: 1-011-540
2. Coaching Theory
   a. 60 points minimum
   b. PAEC Identifier Number: 1-011-541
3. Theory and Practice of Coaching a Specific Sport
   a. 60 points minimum
   b. PAEC Identifier Number: 1-011-542
4. A valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation certificate issued by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross. You will have to scan and upload to your DOE application. WCSB Administrator Amy Bryan will need an updated copy (Amy.Bryan@wcsb.us)
Where are the courses offered? Which path is best for me?

Courses are offered at 2 locations: You pick the path that best works for you.

1. PAEC---these courses are located in our ePDC system. Courses run $200 per course. If you are a current WCSB employee, please reach out to Holly Harden (Holly.Harden@wcsb.us) for scholarship dollars.
    a. Courses range from $100-$70 per course.

**After each course, you will receive a course completion certificate that will be required to upload to your online application.

After courses are complete, what are the next steps?

1. Send course completed documentation with CPR card to Lori Sandgren, HR Director. (Lori.Sandgren@wcs.us)
2. Complete an application for a 5-year certificate made online at https://flcertify.fldoe.org/datamart which includes the fee of $75.00
3. Upload complete course documentation with CPR card to your DOE online application.
4. Send a copy of your 5-year Professional Coaching Certification to HR (Lori.Sandgren@wcsb.us)

Remember: You must have a current certification to receive a coaching supplement from Wakulla County Schools.

Current certifications consist of: Temporary teaching certificate, Professional teaching certificate, 3-year coaching certificate or 5 year coaching certificate.

Please see Lori Sandgren for questions. 850-926-0065 Ext: 9401 (Lori.Sandgren@wcsb.us)