

Team Sport Officiating

Course Description: Students enrolled in Team Sport Officiating learn rules and regulations of selected team sports. Skills students will develop aiding in team sport competitions include communication, decision making, and conflict management. Students will be introduced to the rules of the games and officiating mechanics based on approved University Interscholastic League (UIL) association specifications which will form a foundation for a lifetime avocation in officiating. Additional time, outside of classroom instruction, may be required to fulfill officiating completion for specific sports. Students will develop a personal fitness plan and safety plan that directly relates to the needs of an official. Students will apply time management skills and adhere to professional responsibilities and standards including the Sports Officials Code of Ethics.

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills:

[Chapter 116.64 Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Team Sport Officiating](#)

Grading Period 1	Start Date	End Date
Intro to officiating Intro to Football Football Rules Football Officiating Mechanics Game Management Intro to Volleyball	08/12/26	10/08/26
Grading Period 2		
Volleyball Rules Volleyball Officiating Mechanics Game Management Intro to Basketball Basketball Rules Basketball Officiating Mechanics Game Management Intro to Baseball	10/19/26	12/18/26

Grading Period 3	Start Date	End Date
Baseball Rules Baseball Officiating Mechanics Game Management Intro to Softball Softball Rules	01/05/27	03/11/27
Grading Period 4	Start Date	End Date
Softball Officiating Mechanics Game Management Intro to Soccer Soccer Rules Soccer Officiating Mechanics Game Management	03/22/27	05/27/27

Lessons in a balanced curriculum will include: Developing Officiating Skills, Developing Communication and Decision-Making Skills, Develop a Conflict Management Plan, Managing Professional Responsibilities, Legal Rights, Responsibilities, and Ethics of Sports Officials, Getting Fit to Officiate, Safety Practices, and Application of Sport Specific Officiating.

Notes:

**The length of each unit is a specific number of days, but it is understood that there is a range of +/- a day. The purpose of the flexibility is to allow teachers the opportunity to plan for the needs of their students and to accommodate re-teaching or review when necessary.