



## Head Coach Requirements & Expectations

For those interested in applying for a head coach position with the DMYF program, please review the Requirements and Expectations listed below. Then on page (2) review the Ethics and Responsibilities - Print and bring this with you on the day of the interview process in February.

Being a head coach of a football program is no simple task, as many duties and responsibilities fall into your lap once you are assigned the position. As a head coach you have to be an advisor, a manager, a teacher, a role model and most important a leader. The head coach represents to DMYFL organization.

### Requirements

1. All candidates are required to complete an application and background check.
2. All candidates are required to implement any fundamental techniques, drills, and tackling program set up by the DYMFL organization. **KEEPING CONSISTANCY!**
3. All candidates must be **available, reliable and dedicated** for the time it takes to build, teach/coach a team.
4. All Applicants must demonstrate the ability to properly coach youth football and promote the growth and development of the participants. Must be an effective teacher/coach.
5. All Applicants will attend the interview process in January.
6. All candidates must follow the Ethics and Responsibilities, in Article VIII, at all times.\*
7. All candidates will comply with the league/conference in which the DMYFL participates.
8. All candidates will attend the **mandatory** coaches meetings prior to the 2017 season as well as the coaches clinic hosted by the CTYFL in July.
9. All candidates will complete any certification courses needed prior to the 2017 season. **(Concussion / Heads-Up)**
10. All candidates must have been an assistant coach for at least a year with the DMYFL the previous year/season.
11. All candidates must demonstrate strong leadership skills and manage a coaching staff that allows each coach the opportunity to contribute and be effective.
12. All candidates must have good communication skills, and allow time to discuss players growth with parents.

*\*Violation of the Coaches Ethics and Responsibilities is grounds for suspension/termination.*

### Expectations

**It is expected from each head coach to be a role model and leader on the field at all times, and to represent the DMYFL's organization mission statement.**

1. Head coach will select up to and not exceed (5) coaches as the assisting staff. (approved by DMYFL board).
2. Head coach will address parents with a coaching philosophy, objectives, team rules and expectations. Head Coach will also update parents as needed throughout the season on player progress.
3. Head coach will set regular meetings with the assistant coaching staff.
4. Head coach will deal with issues regarding parents when the need arises.
5. Head coach will maintain and check players equipment on a weekly basis or as needed.
6. Head coach will submit weekly/daily practice scripts to coaching staff and coaching director.
7. Head coach will set up drills which are meaningful and safe for all participants.
8. Head coach will demonstrate and supervise drills during practice.
9. Head coach is responsible to ensure that ALL players get the minimum play count.
10. Head coach will attend board meetings on a monthly basis.
11. Head coach will help in maintaining the fields, practice facilities and all equipment including set-up and removal of any and all equipment used on a given practice or game day.



## Coaching Ethics and Responsibilities

Please read the following DMYFL organization guidelines carefully, and then print name, date, and sign below.

As a coach at any level, either head coach or assistant coach, the following are to be adhered to while in the presence of the players/parents. Violations of these rules shall be cause for suspension or termination according to Article IV Sec. 3

1. Do not criticize the opposing team, coaches or fans verbally or by gesture.
2. **NO FOUL OR ABUSIVE LANGUAGE** on the field (practice or game)
3. No player shall practice or play games until approved by DMYFL.
4. Do not allow an injured player to reenter the game that would jeopardize health.
5. Coaches shall not terminate a game at any time unless it jeopardizes the players safety/health
6. Use **APPROPRIATE** methods and drills for conditioning and skills.
7. Implement drills, heads-up tackling program, and any other techniques designed to enhance player safety or performance.
8. Emphasize that good athletes are good students both physically and mentally.
9. Be on alert for any signs that would indicate possible health hazards. Also, insure alertness in the members of your coaching staff.
10. Explain clearly and thoroughly any additional or more stringent rules.
11. Make it clear to players that they are expected to attend all practices, games and meetings.
12. Explain and discuss with the players your rationale and philosophy, playing rules and any other rules you institute.
13. Enforce all rules and regulations of DMYFL and the Conference. They are only effective as the coaches' attitude towards them. If there is a problem or questions, immediately seek the assistance of the Football Coaching Director or President.
14. No coach may join another team's coaching staff until released by the team he originally committed to.
15. **THERE IS TO BE NO INTIMIDATING, DEGRADING, EXCESSIVE YELLING OR SCREAMING at any player at ANY TIME in a negative manner.**
16. **THERE IS TO BE NO AGGRESSIVE CONTACT WITH ANY PLAYER (HORSEPLAY INCLUDED) AT ANY TIME. (It only takes one injury in a playful manner which can lead to termination or legal action.**
17. Teach players to win and lose in a sportsmanlike manner.
18. Invoke fair and respectful discipline.
  - A. Do not dispute officials' calls beyond the acceptable questions. Avoid sarcasm.
  - B. Remember Team play, not individual play.
  - C. Always keep a positive attitude around players, show them you are there for them and that you want to be there.
  - D. Teach respect to the players by respecting authority yourself.
19. Explain rules and consequences regarding missed practices or games. Enforce these rules equally with all your players.
20. Make sure all players play the required (10) minimum plays per game.
21. Head coaches are the only coach to be in contact with parents/players throughout the season.
22. All coaches will remain off the sidelines during other levels at play time on game day.
23. All coaches will wear their coaching shirts on gameday. If you don't have one, order one or wear a burgundy shirt. **NO OTHER TEAM SHIRTS ALLOWED DURING GAME DAY, DM FALCONS ONLY.**
24. Possession or use of alcohol or tobacco products will not be allowed at anytime during practice or games.

I \_\_\_\_\_ have read the above, regarding the professional Ethics and Responsibilities set up by  
Print Full Name

the DMYFL organization. I fully understand the consequences of any violation of the above stated Ethics and Responsibilities.

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Signature

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Date