



**1. What do I need to do to become a Volunteer Youth Sports Coach?**

All volunteer coaches must pass a nationwide background check. That check can be completed online and City of Surprise staff can email the link to prospective coaches. Additionally, a paper application can be found at the Parks and Recreation office at 15960 N. Bullard Ave., Monday through Friday, 8 – 5 p.m.

**2. When will I find out if I have been selected to coach a team?**

Teams are formed the week following the last day of registration. Once we have assessed how many teams we will have, we will begin to assign coaches to teams. Once this is completed, a Parks & Recreation staff will contact you to notify you that you have been assigned a team and to inform you of where and when the Coaches' Orientation meeting will be.

**3. When are practices held?**

One of the perks of being the head coach is that you get to select when and where practice will be. We do ask that you try to be as accommodating as you can with your team members when scheduling your practices, but ultimately, the decision lies with the volunteer coach.

**4. When are the games?**

Game schedules vary for each sport, but the majority of our sports are programmed for Saturday games. For many seasons there will likely be 1 to 2 weeknight games in addition to the Saturday games.

**5. Do I have to provide my own equipment?**

No! You do not have to provide anything. We will provide the necessary basic equipment specific to each sport.

**6. Do I have to have a child in the program to be eligible to coach?**

No, you do not. We are looking for applicants who have the time, dedication, and passion for sports to offer to the youth athletes of our city.

**7. Will my child be on the team that I coach?**

Yes! This is guarantee.