

Please set the expiration date for August 22, 2026

Ironwood Lumberjacks Junior A Hockey Club, CJHL – Associate Coach/Primary Assistant Coach

The Ironwood Lumberjacks Junior A Hockey Club, has an opening for an Associate Coach/Primary Assistant Coach position. The Ironwood Lumberjacks, located in Ironwood, MI, are a USA Hockey Tier II junior A team playing in the Superior International Junior Hockey League (SIJHL) of the Canadian Junior Hockey League (CJHL).

Job Description:

The position will perform all duties normally associated with the job of an Associate Coach of a junior hockey team including, but not limited to, working with the Head Coach and other Assistant Coaches to initiate and prepare a season plan, scheduling and conducting tryouts, practices, meetings and other training, maintaining team and individual discipline, recruiting players and promoting the team in the community. The Assistant Coach will maintain his Level 2 or higher USA Hockey coaching certification or Hockey Canada equivalent during the term of their contract.

During the hockey off season and at times during the hockey season the Assistant Coach agrees to be available to perform various duties related to the position to be determined by the Lumberjacks with consideration given to the Head Coach & General Manager's team responsibilities and the needs of the arena. In conjunction with the Head Coach & General Manager the Assistant Coach will provide coaching assistance to the local youth hockey program and to conduct clinics and mini-camps as schedule permits. The position reports to the Head Coach & General Manager in all matters concerning his duties.

Responsibilities:

- Help to Recruit and select a full roster of quality junior caliber players
- Assist in all on-ice camps, practices, games and daily dry-land
- Assist in developing game and practice plans including offensive and defensive systems as well as special teams play
- Serve as a representative consistent with the values and standards of the of The Ironwood Lumberjacks when conducting meetings with parents, families, social clubs, and media
- Assist in enforcement of player rules, regulations and team policies including disciplinary standards, supervise and manage the conduct of players both on and off the ice
- Work with Head Coach to develop, implement, and conduct an off-ice conditioning program
- Study game film and help conduct regular team meetings to break down game film
- Develop and maintain collaborative, supportive, and professional relationships with area and league teams; help further establish and maintain a professional reputation among all external agencies (league staff, opposing teams, visiting and host hotels, referee group, sponsors, minor partners, opposing team fans and support staff, etc.)
 - Assist in development of individual and team athletic skills and foster personal growth and development of all team members.
- Assist in summer hockey camps/team showcases
- Must possess good Time-Management skills and is able to Multitask

- Must be willing and able to perform community outreach and public relations appearances
- Perform additional duties as directed by Head Coach and President

Qualifications:

- An existing recruiting list of junior caliber players and the ability to identify additional players
- A strong reputation for coaching ability and integrity among players, coaches, and parents
- Strong leadership and disciplinary skills
- Demonstrated ability to develop players in preparation for play at higher levels
- Demonstrated success as a coach/assistant coach at the U16, Youth AAA, Junior, or Collegiate level
- Junior, Collegiate, or Professional playing experience preferred
- Sound knowledge of game theory and concepts including systems and special teams play

To Apply: Please submit a cover letter, resume and references to:

Ironwood Lumberjacks

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