

Spence Neighbourhood Association Volunteer Position Description



Position Title: Basketball Coach

Purpose: The Spence Neighbourhood Association is seeking enthusiastic, passionate, and reliable volunteers to help coach basketball for youth during the 2017/2018 Winnipeg Minor Basketball Association (WMBA) Fall/Winter season. The SNA Sports Program works to provide barrier-free access to organized sports for Winnipeg's inner-city at-risk youth. For these programs all equipment, coaching, fees, transportation and facilities are all provided to youth at no cost.

Location: Practices held early October until Mid-March at gyms in Winnipeg's West End; Games will be held late October until mid March at various locations.

Time Commitment: Seeking volunteers to commit to 1 practice Monday-Thursday and 1-2 Games Saturday or Sunday

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Support the Sports Program Coordinator in the supervision of participants at practices and games
- Coach and engage youth during programming, including active participation in camps and clinics
- Communicate with participants & families to ensure practice & game schedules are kept
- Assist staff with the management & maintenance of program equipment and resources
- At all times serve as a positive role model for youth promoting teamwork, community-building and personal/social skill development, in addition to sport specific development.

Skills & Qualifications:

- Current Criminal Record Check and Child Abuse Registry Checks
- Required to complete the online Respect In Sport Course
- Enthusiastic, welcoming, respectful with a positive attitude
- Experience working with children/youth or experience coaching sports teams is an asset but not required.

Benefits: Volunteers will gain valuable experience working with diverse, at-risk youth. Volunteers who demonstrate dedication, reliability and leadership skills can, upon request, receive character references from the Sports Program Coordinator for commitments lasting longer than 3 months. Volunteers will also have access to scheduled training opportunities. In addition, volunteers have the opportunity to take paid casual work as van drivers for the basketball program if they possess a Class 4 Licence.

How to Apply: Those interested in volunteering should fill out an application form available from any of SNA's locations or online at www.spenceneighbourhood.org/volunteer . Completed applications can be dropped off at the MERC at 430 Langside Street or emailed to sport2@spenceneighbourhood.org .