

Special Services Coaching Certification

Any student who is interested in coaching at a Nebraska High School (7-12) may apply for and obtain a Special Services Coaching Certificate. This certificate is intended for those who are NOT teacher education majors, but who will coach high school activities in Nebraska schools and therefore need a certificate.

To obtain this certification, students must:

- A. Complete two courses through the NFHS (National Federation of State High School Associations).
 - a. Fundamentals of Coaching course (meets the Nebraska Human Relations requirement) - Cost is \$60
 - b. First Aid, Health and Safety for Coaches course - Cost is \$55
 - c. The courses are all offered on-line and you are able to work at your own speed.

- B. Apply for the certification online through the Nebraska Department of Education.
 - a. Cost is \$55 (additional \$50 cost for fingerprinting if you have not been a continuous Nebraska resident for the past five years)
 - b. Certification is valid for five years

A contact person should you have questions is:

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At this time CSM does not offer the courses for this certification. It is done through the Nebraska Department of Education in collaboration with the Nebraska Schools Activities Association. Thus CSM does not transcript these courses and they do not count towards the 128 credits required for graduation.

For more information, please see the following resources:

Nebraska Department of Education:

https://dc2.education.ne.gov/tc_interactive_ss/welcome.aspx

Nebraska Schools Activities Association - <http://nsaahome.org/coaches/>

Complete instructions from NSAA - <https://nsaahome.org/nsaaforms/pdf/coachcert.pdf>

National Federation of State High School Associations: <http://nfhslearn.com/courses>