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Head Coach Position Description – Underage Interleague Program

POSITION: Head Coach – Interleague Program

RESPONSIBLE TO: EDFL Staff & Coach Coordinators

TERM: One-year appointment – 2027

PURPOSE: To select, train and oversee the growth and development of the players and assistant coaches of your appointed team.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The position includes, but is not limited to, the following duties.

ADMINISTRATIVE

- Act as a liaison between EDFL, coach coordinators and the coaching group to provide pivotal feedback to improve the player development.

EDUCATIVE

- Seek learning and improvement opportunities.
- Develop and constantly review your own coaching philosophy in line with EDFL values.
- Develop a positive coaching culture with fellow coaches.
- Evaluate playing performance at training through verbal and written feedback to players using tools such as video analysis.

POTENTIAL

- Use expertise to work with playing group and utilise outside resources (e.g. guest specialist coaches).
- This role will be seen as a potential pathway role into the Coates Talent League coaching program, dependant on several factors.

DUTIES

- Coordinate the talent identification of players to form an initial training squad.
- Work with EDFL, coach coordinators and the coaching group to coordinate the development of the players selected in squad.

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- Attend the 2027 AFL Victoria Metro Development Series, preparing players for this carnival accordingly.
- Provide opportunities for assistant coaches during training sessions to ensure workload is shared.
- With Coach Coordinators, develop a structured weekly training plan, written down and communicated to all coaches prior to training.
- Adhere to all EDFL policies and procedures and the AFL Coaches Code of Conduct.
- Knowledge and training methods, suitable for Underage representative football and an understanding of the modern game with scope to continue to upskill in this area.
- Upskill and educate all players knowledge of football on and off field requirements.
- Educate players on a game style that closely aligns with EDFL brand and values which will ensure player transition into further EDFL interleague teams is smooth.

EQUIPMENT

EDFL will supply the following: -

- Training Footballs
- Medical Equipment
- Football cones
- Water bottles
- Training bibs
- Coach will receive branded apparel
- Other equipment as required depending on budget

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Involvement in football within the past three to five years.
- Previous coaching experience / sound technical coaching knowledge in football.
- A coaching philosophy, ethics and attitude to represent EDFL
- Hold a current driver's license.
- Hold a Current Australian Football Silver Coaching Accreditation or higher.
- Excellent people management and communication skills
- Understanding of EDFL junior competitions preferred, but not essential

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- Must have a current Working with Children Check
- Willing to undertake Child Safety Education (modules)
- As part of your appointment, you are expected to uphold the values of the EDFL and act as a positive role model both on and off the field. Any substantiated complaint or finding by the EDFL regarding conduct that is inconsistent with these expectations, whether now or in the future, may result in your ineligibility for selection and/or removal from the role.

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