

**NEPN/NSBA CODE: JJIBA**  
**TITLE: HIRING AND EVALUATION OF COACHES**  
**AUGUSTA CODE/TITLE: NONE**

For the Board's information, we have furnished the comprehensive sample policy that was distributed in the September 2006 bulletin, "Sports in Schools: A Policy Perspective." This policy aligns well with Augusta's commitment to "Sports Done Right."

A well-qualified coach is essential to an educationally sound athletic program. A coach should be not only a master of the fundamentals of a sport, but a teacher and role model for student participants. The coach is also the link between sports and academics and between sports and development of character, values and the ability and confidence to make good decisions. We recommend that the Board discuss its view of coaching in relation to its philosophy of athletics (see policy JJI, earlier in the "J" section).

The Board may prefer to locate this policy in the "G" section of the manual with other personnel policies. If so, an appropriate code would be GCFA.

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