

## Rep Head Coach Vancouver Thunderbirds Minor Hockey Association

**Application Deadline:** ongoing (positions filled as applications received)

Vancouver Thunderbirds Minor Hockey Association is one of the largest minor hockey associations in British Columbia with approximately 1000 annual player registrations. We strive to create a player centered environment that provides a rewarding hockey experience for our community of players that is founded on character, teamwork, and the pursuit of excellence on and off the ice.

The **Rep Head Coach** is responsible for the overall leadership of their team for the hockey season. This begins with involvement in the rep tryout process (U11/U18 – September, U13/U!5 – end of August) and moves through to the final ice time of the season. They are responsible for the oversight and direction of their assistant coaches and will work collaboratively with the team manager and association representatives to provide a safe environment where every player is valued and given the opportunity to develop.

The key responsibilities of the role include:

- Hold as the top priority the safety and development of ALL players on the team
- Plan and execute all on and off ice activities for team practices and game play
- Coordinate the delegation of responsibilities to assistant coaches and team manager
- Participate in TBirds player evaluation and selection process (U11/U18 early September, U13/U15 end of August)
- Establish team rules and hold parent meeting at beginning of season, with follow up as required
- Maintain regular communications with team parents and address any concerns respectfully and with support as needed from the Director, Rep and Executive Director
- Submit mid and end of season updates verbally or written to the Executive Director
- Participation in Coach the Coach clinics and interaction with the Coach Development Lead, Rep to provide continual feedback and professional development

The successful candidates shall possess the following:

- Strong hockey background in playing, coaching, evaluating.
- Strong interest and commitment to child/athlete development.
- Required Hockey Canada certification to fulfill the role (or willingness to obtain)
- Excellent interpersonal, teamwork and customer service skills are required.
- Self-motivated and able to work well under minimal supervision
- Strong leadership skills
- Available to meet time requirements

Successful candidates must complete a Criminal Record Check including a vulnerable sector search.

All interested parties can <u>submit an online application here</u>. Thank you for your interest in helping create an amazing experience for TBirds players and families.