



AVHA JUNIOR COACH PROGRAM:

The Junior Coach Program is an initiative created for the development young leaders within the Ausable Valley Hockey Association.

Program objectives:

- Help U15-U21 players achieve NCCP Coach Level 1/2 certification(s) and develop coaching skills.
- Satisfy community service requirement for secondary school graduation.
- Be considered for a coaching position(s) with AVHA and partner associations in the future.

Junior Coaches will be required to:

- Take required training as identified by AVHA.
- Attend any coach development sessions offered by AVHA.
- Attend a minimum of 50% of the practices of the team they are assigned to.
- Lead specific stations/drills for these teams under the supervision of a head coach.
- Serve as role models to younger players.
- Take direction and mentorship from a head coach.

Junior Coach placement guidelines:

- Director of Coaching will identify experienced head coaches as mentors.
- Coach mentors will be paired with selected Junior coaches.
- Junior Coach will be assigned as an on-ice volunteer.
- Consideration can be given to place Junior Coach(s) on a team with their younger siblings.
- Coach Mentors will support the growth and development of the Junior Coach.
- Junior Coaches will not be considered to play in any coach's games or charity events.
- Junior Coaches must wear a helmet with cage, hockey gloves and tracksuit while on ice.

Junior Coach Selection Process:

Selection for Junior Coach Program will take place within the 1st month of each season. Selection will be chosen based on the following criteria:

- U15-U21 aged players registered in AVHA and currently attending High School.

If interested please e-mail the following information to CoachingCoordinator@ausablevalleyhockey.ca by November 14th, 2025

- Name:
- Current AVHA Team:
- Current Highschool:
- Jr. Coach Team Preference: