



New State Law regarding Sport Medicine Requirements and Training for ALL Coaches: (Document focus group: REGISTERED VOLUNTEER COACHES)

TO: All Registered Volunteer Coaches

Every three years all coaches of member schools are required to receive training on concussion, heat illness, and MRSA. The AAA will create the research based on-line professional development sessions. The training will be created over a three-year period: heat illness, concussion, and MRSA. In the 2011–2012 school year, heat illness and concussion training will be required by August 1st or six weeks prior to the beginning of their season.

The AAA will allow a school to use a certified athletic trainer to provide the heat illness training. The certified athletic trainer **MUST** use the curriculum created by the AAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee.

1. On-line Heat Illness Training
2. NFHS Concussion Course is available through NFHS website at <http://nfhslearn.com/electiveDetail.aspx?courseID=15000>

Registered Volunteer Coaches:

1. On-line Heat Illness Training:
A DVD presentation of the On-line Heat Illness has been mailed to each member school. Please visit with your school's athletic director to ensure viewing of this presentation. The copy can be used for "volunteer coaches" to view since only licensed teachers can log on to the ArkansasIDEAS website.
2. NFHS Concussion Course:
Register Volunteer Coaches should log onto the website (<http://nfhslearn.com/electiveDetail.aspx?courseID=15000>) to complete the concussion course. A copy of your certificate of completion should be kept in your school file.