

Head Coach, U18 Female Prep Hockey

We invite applications for a full-time opportunity at Edge School in the role of Head Coach for our U18 Female Prep Hockey Team

About Us

Since 1999, Edge School has been committed to making a difference in the lives of our student-athletes. Our mission is to build a culture of personal excellence in academics, athletics and character.

Located 15 minutes west of Calgary, Edge's 170,000 sq. ft. campus and sports facility is home to approximately 300 Grade 4-12 student-athletes enrolled in basketball, hockey, dance, golf, soccer, figure skating, multi-sport, fitness or our flex academy. Edge's rigorous academic program is complemented by a focus on character development and athletics designed to develop 'three sphered individuals'. Graduates gain entry to top universities in Canada, the U.S and abroad, and are part of a network of outstanding alumni, making a difference in their communities around the world.

To learn more about our school, please visit our website at: edgeschool.com

Job Description

Reporting directly to the Director of Athletics and Programming, the U18 Female Prep Head Coach is an integral member of the hockey coaching staff. The Head Coach will oversee the day-to-day leadership of the U18 Female Prep Hockey team in addition to supporting the effective delivery of the Edge School Hockey Skill Academy. The Head Coach is responsible for the development of age and skill appropriate annual technical and tactical plans for the team, and student-athletes in alignment with Edge's Three Sphere model of personal excellence in academics, athletics and character development. The position also leads the recruitment of prospective student-athletes who are driven to achieve their personal best while competing in the Canadian Sport School Hockey League. Additionally, the Head Coach will assist in the identification, recruitment and on-boarding of Hockey Skill Academy students focusing on the overall growth of the female hockey program. Furthermore, the Head Coach will contribute to Edge Programming hockey camps, clinics, identification camps, etc., throughout the year.

Key Accountabilities

Duties of the Head Coach, U18 Female Prep Hockey Team include, but are not limited to:

- *U18 Female Prep Team*
 - Supporting the growth and development of student-athletes in alignment with Edge School's Three Sphere model of personal excellence in academics, athletics, and character development.
 - Providing day-to-day leadership and head coaching responsibilities for the U18 Female Prep Hockey Team, including daily practice planning, game preparation, in-game coaching, in-season and post-season athlete development.
 - Responsible for hiring and supervision of U18 Female Prep Hockey assistant coaches and/or skill development contractors (i.e., power skating coaching, goaltender instruction).

- Responsible for weekly updates to the team and parent group to support regular and on-going communication.
 - Providing formal feedback, specific hockey evaluations and updates to student-athletes and parents in alignment with individualized development plans throughout the year.
 - Working in conjunction with the Director of Athletics and Programming on the development of annual team budget and season schedule.
 - Responsible to manage team expenses within the parameters of the approved team budget.
 - Adhere to all pertinent Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta and Canadian Sport School Hockey League policies and procedures.
 - Work in collaboration with the Director of Admissions and the Director of Athletics and Programming to recruit and on-board appropriate student-athletes to your team.
 - Work in conjunction with Edge Sports Science Team (Duckett Performance Centre Staff, Athletic Therapy Staff and Mental Trainer) in the delivery of a student-athlete centric, inclusive, safe, and wholistic athlete development program.
 - Work closely with teaching staff to support the academic progress of student-athletes.
 - Work in collaboration with assigned teaching staff in the delivery of the Edge Character Development curriculum.
 - Direct supervision of student-athletes in your care, while on campus and during team travel trips.
 - Planning and organization of an annual female hockey tournament.
 - Facilitate the promotion and recruitment of student-athletes to the appropriate next level of hockey, i.e., U SPORTS, CCAA, NCAA.
- *Edge Skill Academy*
 - Work collaboratively with the Edge Hockey Staff and Edge Skill Academy Coordinator in the development of the Skill Academy curriculum and delivery of age/skill appropriate training.
 - Regular and on-going coaching responsibilities in support of the Edge Hockey Skill Academy.
 - Providing formal feedback, specific hockey evaluations and updates to student-athletes and parents in alignment with individualized development plans throughout the year.
 - Identify and recruit prospective student-athletes to the Edge Hockey Skill Academy, focusing on the growth and development of our school-wide female hockey program.
 - *Edge Programming*
 - Provide coaching support during Edge Programming hockey camps, clinics, skill development sessions, spring hockey, etc.
 - Work closely with the Coordinator of Athletics and Programming and Edge Hockey Programming Coordinator in the creation and delivery of a fulsome revenue generating hockey program offering.

The ideal candidate will have the following:

Education

- A university degree or demonstrated experience in key accountabilities.

Experience

- Minimum 5 years of coaching experience Female Hockey at the Midget AAA level, or higher
- Hockey Canada High Performance Level 1 Coach Certification
- Demonstrated understanding and appreciation for sport in an educational context
- Demonstrated ability to identify, recruit and retain athletes
- Experience in the delivery of hockey skill development programming

Competencies and Attributes

- Embrace and model the Edge School Vision and Mission Statement
- Ability to thrive in a fast paced and dynamic team environment
- Passion for youth sport and athlete development
- Intelligent, reflective and well spoken
- Engaging personality and ability to connect with students and parents
- Detail oriented and organized
- Unpretentious, genuine and personable
- Energetic and eager to engage actively with students and parents
- Able to navigate difficult decisions and effectively communicate them to the community

Compensation

Edge School offers a competitive compensation and benefits package. Salary will be commensurate with skills, education and experience.

To apply

If you would like to join our outstanding school that is focused on building well-rounded individuals and fosters a culture of collegiality and personal excellence, we want to hear from you.

- Please email a cover letter and resume to Jason Kerswill at jkerswill@edgeschool.com by August 13, 2021. Please reference the position title 'Head Coach, U18 Female Prep Hockey' in the subject line of your email.
- By applying for this position, you consent to the collection, use and necessary disclosure of the personal information provided during the application and selection process. All applicants will be kept on file for three months.
- Only those candidates who are selected for an interview will be contacted.