



St Peters GAA Club, Dunboyne

Role Title: Director of Coaching

Reports to: The Executive Committee

Introduction

St Peters GAA Club has been an active sporting, social and cultural organisation at the heart of our community since its establishment. We seek to contribute to & support the enrichment of our members, their families and the broader community through the provision of best-in-class facilities and an inclusive and safe sporting environment to support our children achieve their full potential by developing their physical, emotional and social wellbeing.

With over 1400 members, the Club currently caters for over 800 playing members across 60 teams in our football (ladies & men's), hurling and camogie codes. The Clubs underage section alone (up to under 18) currently facilitates the participation of over 700 children from our community in our games.

We want to help our young players to be as good as they can be, to facilitate, nurture and encourage talent. To help our players fulfil their athletic potential. We aim to ensure that we provide an outlet for everyone from the community who wants to play our games, to develop a team environment and to foster a sense of duty to the people around us.

The role of Director of Coaching is a key role within the club with the overall objective of fostering a culture of excellence and development within the Club.

The Director of Coaching will strategically plan and implement comprehensive coach training & education programs, ensuring that coaches & mentors receive consistent and high-quality guidance and support in their delivery of our Player Pathway Plan.

The Director of Coaching will serve as a mentor and leader within the club, inspiring our coaches and players to reach their full potential both on and off the field.

Ultimately, investing in a Director of Coaching is an important resource to support the long-term success and growth of our Club, laying the foundation for sustained excellence and a thriving sporting community.

Key Responsibilities

- Develop, implement and monitor age specific club coaching plans, with a specific curriculum of learning outcomes.
- Ensure that the coaching programmes for teams at all age groups follow best practice and are aligned with club values and are cognisant of the holistic development of the whole player, of player welfare and of appropriately framing the balance between development and winning.
- Organise and chair regular meetings of the Coaching & Games Committee (at least monthly)
- In conjunction with the C & G Development Committee, develop and refine the Club Player Pathway, including athletic performance and development and transition to adult support active promotion of all codes.
- Co-ordinate, promote & oversee the delivery of formal coaching courses & workshops within the club.
- Manage & distribute coaching resources (coaching manuals, etc.)
- Monitor & manage a club database of coaching qualifications.
- Support each code pathway manager / lead in the identification, appointment, induction and mentoring of underage coaches, and parents.
- Routinely engage with team coaches to provide support & guidance.
- Coordinate and oversee the planning & delivery of all club camps, Schools of Excellence as well as the Transition Year coaching programme.
- Oversee effective club-school link in conjunction with club-school liaison team, including the delivery of coaching and games support to partner schools.
- Mentoring, supporting and managing any Games Promotion Officers assigned to Dunboyne GAA.
- Report to the clubs Executive and provide regular updates on agreed Coaching & Games KPIs.

Key Skills & Attitudes:

- Demonstrable passion for Gaelic Games and the values of the GAA
- Understanding of and appreciation for the ethos of Dunboyne GAA and the role that the club plays in the community.
- Strong problem-solving skills
- Excellent presentation and training-delivery skills.
- Strong appetite for continuous learning and development
- Ability to communicate feedback constructively.
- A willingness and ability to give and take feedback and employ an adaptive approach.
- Ability to work independently on own initiative and perform as part of a team.
- Ability to effectively manage multiple projects and deadlines; hands-on approach to getting things done with a demonstrable ability to work well under pressure.
- Clear and detailed knowledge of the GAA's coaching schemes and initiatives.

Qualifications

- A relevant third level qualification in sports science or sports management or related discipline and a preferably an Award 2 GAA coaching qualification (Award 1 minimum).
- Experience of working with children and juveniles is desirable.
- Garda vetted and child protection course completed.
- A working knowledge of office productivity tools such as the Microsoft Office suite etc.
- A full, clean drivers' licence and access to a car would be an advantage.

St Peters GAA Club is an equal-opportunity employer.