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#### 8455 - COACH TRAINING

The Corporation shall comply with State law governing the training and certification of all coaches and athletic activity sponsors. This applies to all coaches, whether employees, volunteers, or other individuals, who are participating in activities with student-athletes.

All coaches and athletic activity sponsors shall receive training regarding State law governing concussions, sudden cardiac arrest, and heat emergency preparedness. All football coaches shall also complete a certified coaching education course that is sport-specific; contains player safety content on concussion awareness, equipment fitting, heat emergency preparedness, and proper technique; requires the football coach/activity sponsor to complete a test demonstrating comprehension of the content of the course; and awards a certificate of completion to a football coach who successfully completes the course. The certification course must be completed prior to coaching. The course must be approved by the Indiana Department of Education, and each football coach must complete a course not less than once during a two-year period. However, each football coach must again complete instruction and successfully complete a test if s/he receives notice that new information has been added to the course prior to the end of the two (2) year period.

**A marching band leader or sponsor of an extracurricular activity in which students have an increased risk of sudden cardiac arrest as determined by the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) shall complete the sudden cardiac training course offered by a provider approved by the IDOE. The coach, marching band leader or extracurricular activity sponsor must complete this required sudden cardiac arrest training prior to coaching or leading the activity.**

The Superintendent shall establish administrative guidelines to ensure that each person employed as a coach or athletic activity sponsor has the appropriate qualifications, has been properly interviewed, has cleared a criminal background check, and has received the required training.

The guidelines shall also provide that all coaches and athletic activity sponsors must be informed of Corporation policies regarding reporting requirements and investigation requirements for complaints of bullying or harassment and suspected child abuse/sexual abuse.

Additionally, before the Corporation hires or allows an individual to coach an Indiana High School Athletic Association recognized sport, the Corporation must conduct the investigation and make such reports as required by I.C. 20-26-14-9.

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I.C. 20-26-14-8

I.C. 20-26-14-9

I.C. 20-34-7

I.C. 20-34-8