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| Selecting Team Coaches |

As noted in Chapter 9 in the text, you have various options for selecting team coaches. The choice of which selection process to use is dependent on several factors, including

1. your familiarity with the students in the classes,
2. your students’ familiarity with the sport/activity,
3. their experience level with Sport Education, and
4. the level of leadership exhibited by students in the group.

Having students participate in the process of selecting Team Coaches is another opportunity for students to be increasingly more involved in the design of designing their own sport experience, and have them develop greater ownership, especially in secondary school programs.

The following options for selecting Team Coaches reflect this gradual shift from a largely teacher directed to a more student-determined process. They include:

*1. The teacher assigns coaches at the beginning of the season.*

1. *Students “apply” to be coaches, using written nomination forms describing their skills, talents, and leadership qualities.*
2. *The students in the class vote who they wish to have as coaches (secret ballot).*

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***Selecting Team Coaches with Student Input***

A brief step-by-step explanation for options 2 and 3 are shown below.

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| Students Apply for the Role of Team Coach |
| When using this process, you will want to:  1. Provide students sufficient time to learn about the role, functions, and duties of Team Coaches. 2. Publish role description and expectations (e.g., by posting them on the Sport Education Bulletin Board) 3. Give students time to fill out the “Team Coach Job Application” (see next page). 4. Select the best candidates, according to the expectations, your knowledge of the applicants, and any previous experience. |

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| Team Coach Application Form |
| ***Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Class period: \_\_\_\_\_***  ***Sport: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Team: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** |
| I would be an effective Team Coach, because: I have the following leadership qualities  ***I have the following skills needed to be a good team coach:***  ***(Use the back of this form if you need more space to write)*** |
| Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

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| ***Students Vote for Team Coach Nominees*** |
| When having students cast votes, you will want to:   1. Have students provide nominations for possible Team Coaches. (Students should be allowed to nominate themselves!). 2. Post the nominations. 3. Provide all class members with a piece of paper. Given the posted nominations, each student then lists, in order of preference, the names of those people they believe would serve effectively in that role. 4. You would select the best candidates, according to the expectations, your knowledge of the applicants, and any previous experience. 5. After the votes have been cast, count all the votes. If you need three Team Coaches, you would then announce the three people who received most votes. |

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