



SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY FOOTBALL CLUB

Academy Age Group Coach – Foundation Phase (U9-U11) Casual position (sessional rate)

Job Purpose (main duties include but not limited to the following)

Reporting to the Head of Coaching and Foundation Phase Manager, the successful candidates will be responsible for developing an elite, multi-disciplinary environment to maximise the development of players in a specific age group within the Foundation Phase (U9-U11). The successful candidates will plan, deliver, record and evaluate coaching sessions in line with the club's coaching and playing philosophy, meeting all EPPP requirements.

- Plan, deliver, record and evaluate age appropriate coaching sessions in line with the Academy's coaching and playing philosophy
- Liaise with the Phase Manager to provide a varied games programme for players in the specific age group
- Responsible for the specific age group within the Foundation Phase (U9-U11) on match day, including planning, observing and providing feedback regarding individual/unit/team performance and development
- In conjunction with the Head of Coaching and Phase Manager, ensure all players in the specific age group have an Individual Learning Plan which is consistently delivered, reviewed and adapted, with appropriate opportunities to practice on the areas highlighted
- Work effectively with other departments to ensure the Academy operates in a multi-disciplinary environment to support the players' holistic development
- Contribute to the administrative tasks related to the role, which include general organisation, recording of sessions, player reviews, learning objectives and weekly reflections through the PMA and other systems
- In conjunction with the Head of Coaching, Phase Manager and other support staff conduct performance reviews with the players in the specific age group, using a multi-disciplinary approach which meets EPPP criteria
- Contribute to the scouting and recruitment process where appropriate, overseeing triallists and providing evaluation and feedback
- Attend and contribute to meetings as directed by the Head of Coaching and/or Phase Manager
- To undertake personal CPD as appropriate to meet the demands of the role
- Any other reasonable duties as requested by the Head of Coaching and/or Phase Manager



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Skills & Experience

- A high level of football knowledge and understanding of how to create an elite environment
- Knowledge and experience of working in an Academy structure and EPPP rules and regulations
- Previous coaching experience at Academy level (desirable)
- Able to develop and maintain strong working relationships
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- Proactive attitude within the role
- Highly organised and able to adapt to a constantly changing environment
- Demonstrates enthusiasm and is personally committed to achieving objectives
- Committed to the development of self and others and is receptive to feedback about own strengths and areas for improvement
- IT literate with a knowledge of the Performance Management Application (PMA) and other football related software and systems

Qualifications

- UEFA B Licence
- The FA Youth Award
- UEFA A Licence (desirable)
- The FA Advanced Youth Award (desirable)
- Sports/management/teaching degree (desirable)
- FA Talent ID qualifications (desirable)
- FA Safeguarding Children
- An up-to-date Emergency Aid in Football qualification (Basic First Aid for Sport – BFAS, The FA Level 2 Emergency Aid in Football - EFAiF)

The role is subject to an Enhanced DBS check.

Sheffield Wednesday Football Club is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. This post may be subject to a criminal record check or an enhanced DBS check.

If this role appeals to you and you would like to become part of the Sheffield Wednesday family, please send your CV and completed application form to hadmin@swfc.co.uk.

Closing date: 31.10.2020