The Head Junior Varsity (JV) Softball Coach is responsible for developing, leading, and managing the JV softball program. This position emphasizes teaching fundamental skills, fostering player development, instilling discipline, and promoting teamwork and sportsmanship. The JV Head Coach works closely with the Varsity Head Coach and Athletic Director to ensure alignment with the overall vision of the softball program and athletic department.

Responsibilities

Program Leadership

- Organize and lead all aspects of the JV softball program, including practices, games, and team activities.
- Develop players' technical, tactical, and mental skills to prepare them for advancement to the varsity level.
- Promote and model good sportsmanship, teamwork, and character both on and off the field.
- Foster a faith-filled community centered around the teachings of the Catholic Faith.

Practice & Game Management

- Plan and conduct engaging and structured practices that emphasize skill development, conditioning, and game strategy.
- Manage in-game decisions, substitutions, and strategies that prioritize player growth and team success.

Player Development & Mentorship

- Assess player abilities and provide constructive feedback to encourage improvement.
- Foster a positive and inclusive team culture that prioritizes growth, effort, and respect.
- Encourage academic success and personal development, supporting the school's mission and values.

Collaboration

- Work closely with the Varsity Head Coach to ensure consistency in philosophy, training methods, and long-term program goals.
- Attend staff meetings, training sessions, and professional development opportunities as required.
- Expected to follow the rules and policies of Bishop Dwenger, Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, as well as the rules of IHSAA.

Preferred Qualifications

- Prior softball/baseball experience preferred, whether coaching or playing.
- Strong knowledge of the rules, techniques, and strategies of softball.
- Ability to teach and model fundamental softball skills and advanced game concepts.
- Excellent leadership, communication, and organizational skills.
- Commitment to fostering a faithful, positive, athletic environment that emphasizes effort, discipline, and respect.
- Ability to mentor student-athletes, promoting both athletic and personal growth.
- Must pass background checks as required by the school/athletic association.

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