

## **AIA/NFHS Coaching Certification Class**

At the March 3, 2008 AIA Legislative Council Meeting, the AIA passed a new bylaw that will impact **ALL** of our coaches.

**All coaches (including volunteers) hired before April 1, 2009** must complete the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching class by the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year.

**All coaches (including volunteers) hired after April 1, 2009** will have 45 days from the date of hire to complete the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching class.

The Mesa District coaching class taught by the Athletic Office will no longer be offered and does not count towards this requirement.

In an attempt to assist our coaches through this process, The East Valley Region will reimburse the \$35 fee for the class to all district paid coaches who complete the course prior to **May 31, 2008**.

### **Process:**

1. Register and take the course on-line. It is linked at [www.mesasports.org](http://www.mesasports.org)
2. Upon passing the course, the NFHS will send you a certificate of completion.
3. Send a copy of the certificate to the Athletic Office and we will reimburse you.
4. To receive the reimbursement, you must **complete this process by June 13, 2008**.

Any new coaches hired in Mesa (including voluntary coaches) must complete this course within 45 days of hire beginning this year (2008-2009 school year). They must follow the same process as outlined in the past to be an approved coach in Mesa including fingerprints, background check, etc. This class will now take the place of the previous class requirement offered by the District Athletic Office.

For questions, please refer to the web page or contact Steve Hogen @ 480-472-0250.