

**Program Name:** Baltimore Youth Hockey Club's Coach-in-Training Program

**Program Goal:** To provide BYH players an opportunity to expand and share their knowledge of hockey in order to foster lifelong participation in our game and support BYH's long-term commitment to providing players with the best hockey instruction available.

**Open To:** All current BYH Travel and Rec players in 2nd year Bantam or above (birth years 2003 and earlier for the 2017-18 season)

**Program Coordinator/Contact:** Justin Panzer, [justin.panzer@gmail.com](mailto:justin.panzer@gmail.com)

**Timing:** Inaugural Season = 2017-18, Orientation meeting for interested players will be held on **Friday, September 8th** (details to be announced).

**Participation Requirements:**

1) Minimum 3 hours per month on-ice (or on the bench) participation in Mite practices, skills sessions, and/or games in support of current coaching staff. Time to be allocated approximately 2/3 practice and 1/3 game. Some Squirt division support may be added for players 17 and older. Time will be tracked using a BYH CIT timesheet to be provided at first session.

2) Approximately 1 hour of off-ice coaching education per month. Lecture topics, presenters, and dates will be announced after CBHL schedules are posted.

3) Approximately 2 "homework" assignments over the course of the season. These may include practice plan creation, video review of a hockey game, or similar activity.

4) Strict adherence to the Coach-In-Training Code of Conduct **[NEED LINK]**.

**Benefits of Participation:**

1) Program hours will be counted toward school-authorized volunteer/service learning programs. Appropriate forms will be signed by the program coordinator.

2) Any CIT who has successfully met the participation requirements for three consecutive months after joining the program will be eligible for full reimbursement of their USA Hockey Level 1 and Level 2 coaching clinic registration (currently \$45 and \$60, respectively).

3) Each CIT will be assigned a coaching mentor. No mentor will have more than 5 CIT's at one time.

4) Any CIT who has successfully completed the program through their youth hockey graduation year will be offered a coaching position with BYH in a future season.

5) CIT's will be given the opportunity to plan and run practice stations during the 2nd half of the season (after January 1, 2018).

6) All CIT's will be provided a special BYH windsuit unique to the CIT program.