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## **USA Hockey's Atlantic District Coaching Section Adds Mike Wujek to Senior Coaching Staff**

**BETHLEHEM, PA** [August 31, 2021] – USA Hockey and its Atlantic District Coaching Section are pleased to announce the promotion of Mike Wujek to Associate Coach in Chief. Taking on additional responsibilities, Wujek will be supporting the mission of the Coaching Education Program and its certification efforts.



Mike Wujek [Bloomfield, NJ] is a long-time player, coach, and hockey administrator. Wujek, a member of the CEP program since 2012, is a well-known presence throughout the district. For more than 20 years, he has coached youth, scholastic and girls / women's hockey including: head coach at Kent Place School, Verona Glen Ridge High School, and as talent evaluator for the Montclair Blues Youth Hockey Program. Mike's involvement includes coaching learn to skate, learn to play, 8u through 18u, scholastic and adults with the Quarry Cat's program in the United Women's Hockey League.

Mike Wujek will represent the coaching program and be a point of contact in our region. Mike will also focus efforts providing leadership to long-term development of Girls / Women's hockey coaches. For their players, Mike will be planning and organizing skills clinics and continuing education for certified coaches. Wujek is known for his energetic and high-performance training on *Practice Format and Design, Practice Planning, and Competitive Contact*.

Mike Wujek is a coach developer in the Atlantic District's Coaching Section. Under a program sponsored by the U.S. Center for Coaching Excellence, Coach developers are instrumental in training coaches in youth hockey and in 2020 they provided leadership behind the scenes and in clinics as USA Hockey launched an entirely virtual certification process due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

Mike Lichtenberger, USA Hockey's Coach in Chief for the Atlantic District says this about Mike Wujek: "For more than 20 years coaching, and 10 seasons in the coaching program Wujek had demonstrated communication skills exceptional and talents that are so important to the Atlantic District Coaching Section. Mike has too often gone above and beyond developing other coaches who in turn develop their players. Wujek's promotion is well deserved having shown a deep understanding of essential coach education."

Mike and his wife Shirley reside in Bloomfield, NJ and when he is not at the local rinks, they are doting over their one year-old grandchild.

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