

Edmonton Drillers Youth Soccer Club: Developmental Technical Lead Coach (U8-U13)



Heading into the Indoor 2021/22 season, the Edmonton Youth Drillers Soccer Club is excited to announce a new part-time coaching position! We are looking for a qualified, enthusiastic and motivated individual to take a lead role in the technical development of our younger players/teams within the club, along with recruiting and mentoring coaches. This individual will be the primary on-field technical lead coach for our U9-U12 youth teams, along with working with our eldest U8 Grassroots age group teaching early stages of Active Start, FUNdamentals and Learn To Train. They will be seen as a transitional bridge between our Grassroots and Youth program, while working with our players and coaches to prepare them for the next stage in their growth on & off the field.

Roles and Responsibilities

Job description summary

- To work directly with the developmental stream of the Drillers youth soccer club, primary duties are on-field field focusing on player/coach training and development. Primary focus on bridging gap and facilitating transition between Grassroots Program (ending at U-8) and Youth program developmental years (U9-U12). Early stages of skill development and team play.
- Technical Coach Leads report directly to the Club Technical Director.
- Expected to attend at least 2-4 training sessions and 1-2 games per team monthly (depending on number of teams assigned).
- Training Sessions:
 - Should not fully run more than one training session per month
 - At least one training session per month is observation, note-taking and on-going feedback for the coach, both during and post session with a debrief
 - Can co-run training sessions with team coaches using modifications (ex. Technical Lead coaches intro portion of practice, team coaches facilitate remainder of session)
 - U8 Grassroots involvement will be either at Grassroots sessions or running a separate session for that age group (This will be determined by Grassroots Director and Club Technical Staff)
- Games:
 - Expectation to attend 1-2 games per month. Rotation of being on the bench or in the stands
 - Assist team coach with gameday operations as needed, but team coach still is in charge and primary voice for players
 - Take notes on the players during the game, make observations based on recent training
 - Give feedback to coach during (if on bench) gameplay about proper in-game coaching instruction and delivery, can also give coaching instruction to players as necessary
 - Have a debrief with coach (and assistant coaches) after the game
- Expected to be involved in tryouts/evaluations (for their assigned age groups), club-wide technical sessions and Club Days events.
- Relationships/Coach Development:
 - Expectation is to be available as a sounding/idea board, or point of support for assigned team coaches via phone calls, e-mails, meetings

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- Assist Club Technical staff in coach recruiting (notably for U9 teams moving into youth)
- Keep Technical Director updated on amount of off-field dialogue with coaches, if any trends or adjustments need to be made.
- Administrative/Meetings
 - Mid-point season summary reports and end-of-season summary reports for each team submitted to Technical Director.
 - Putting together plans and feedback reports as necessary for coaches/players
 - Attendance for club coaching seminars/socials, or any technical meetings as required
 - Assist club when required, notably during September and April (lighter on-field months)
- Coach Education: Coach education/certification will be encouraged and supported, the Drillers club will make financial contributions based on a signed commitment clause.

Qualifications and Compensation

- Salary range: \$10,800 - \$14,400 – paid monthly divided by 12 months of the year
- Position will need to have a minimum of the Canada Soccer Grassroots certification (Active Start, FUNdamentals, Learn to Train and Soccer for Life) by the end of the 1st year with the Drillers (or equivalent).
- Other Canada Soccer, Alberta Soccer or NCCP coach certification is considered an asset
- Strong communication and leadership skills, adherence to club values and philosophy
- Availability for on-field work (primarily evenings and weekends)
- Experience and ability in creation and implementation of coaching curriculums
- Must be able to provide a clear Criminal Record Check
- Respect in Sport (RIS) training certification is required
- Standard and/or Emergency First Aid is considered an asset
- Post-Secondary/Recreation education and experience is considered an asset
- Additional coaching education and experience is considered an asset

We ask that all applications are submitted to Kyle Jhamandas, president@edmdrillers.com, with the subject "Developmental TL Job Application". Closing date for the position is **Sunday August 22nd, 2021**. Only successful candidates will be contacted for the next stage of the recruitment process. Position will only be filled once a suitable candidate has been selected. On behalf of the Drillers Board of Directors, thank you for your interest in our coaching position!



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