

BRUCE TURPIN

HOCKEY COACHING EXPERIENCE

York High School: Hockey Director and Varsity Head Coach (12-present)
JV State Final Four (12-13)

Chicago Blues: Head Coach
Peewee NIHL Gold and Mite NIHL Bronze (11-12)
Bantam NIHL 1 (10-11); **NIHL Silver Wolves Cup Champions**

Chicago Young Americans
Director and Head Coach Girls U16 AAA and U19 AAA (07-09)

Loyola Academy
Assistant Coach Loyola Maroon (06-07) / Strength and conditioning coach (06-08)

Northbrook Bluehawks
Assistant Coach Bantam AA (06-07); **NIHL Elite Presidents Cup, State AA 3rd Place**

Chicago Blues: Head Coach
Bantam Major CSDHL (05-06); **State AA Champions**
Bantam Minor NIHL Elite (04-05); **State A Champions** and **NIHL Elite 3rd Place**
Bantam Major CSDHL (03-04); **CSDHL Runner-up**

Chicago Mission AAA: Strength and conditioning coach
Bantam 90/U16 (03-06)

Springfield Jr. Pics: Head Coach
Midget AAA (00-02); NEMHL Champions (00-01); NEMHL Runner-up (01-02)

ADDITIONAL HOCKEY EXPERIENCE

Hockey North America: Adult Beginner Skills instructor (03-present)
EXACT Sports: Director of Hockey Operations (09-11)

EDUCATION

BS in Biological Engineering (University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario)
MS in Exercise Science: biomechanics specialty (University of Massachusetts – Amherst)

USA HOCKEY

Level 5 Coaching Certification (2012)
Hockey Director Program (NARCE 2008)

DEVELOPMENT PHILOSOPHY

One of the most important features of any skilled performance is making quick and predictable decisions (what to do and what not to do) in any given situation. Decision-making IS the foundation that determines level of success achieved by athletes in any sport. While skills are very important to successful performance, the transitional nature of the game of hockey requires that players develop strong conceptual abilities to elevate their game to the next level. The ability to apply your skill base in the context of the game (ie. the development of “hockey sense”) is the core ingredient to becoming a successful hockey player.

As such, my approach to the game of hockey is one that emphasizes puck control, puck support and puck movement in all three zones. I promote an aggressive style of play, which will be taught and reinforced using a high tempo, high flow practice philosophy.

Practice planning incorporates a “SPACED” and PERIODIZED approach, producing a progressive environment that enhances overall skill level and fosters the development of a players’ ability to read-and-react, create and anticipate during games. This functional training methodology, places players in highly competitive game-like situations, allowing for the development of tactical thinking, quick decision making and problem solving abilities.

I firmly believe that it is not as important to be the best as it is to give your best effort. The team will be focused, intense, and have a great work ethic.