



2021-22 Mentoring Program  
Discussion Topics

**October**

- Setting goals during uncertainty.
- How are you balancing multiple responsibilities while short staffed?
- What are you doing to make practice enjoyable, yet productive?
- How will you and your team give back to your community during the WBCA's Season of Service?
- Building relationships and setting expectations with parents.

**November**

- Being the best resource for your student-athletes.
- How are you approaching/planning travel for your team?
- What marketing strategies can you incorporate to increase game attendance?
- What are some creative ways to recruit post 2020?
- Preparing for final exams — as a teacher or a supportive coach.

**December**

- Checking in with your staff.
- How are you building resilience?
- Capitalizing on a slow start to the season.
- What are some ways to support staffers and student-athletes not going home for the holidays?
- Defensive and offensive tips to live by.

**January**

- How are you remaining engaged without monopolizing your time?
- Best practices for keeping non-starters committed.
- Managing the pressure(s) of conference play and rivalry games.
- Reviewing your game plan. What are you doing as a staff to ensure your game plan is fail proof?
- What are you doing to remain motivated during difficult stretches throughout the season?

**February**

- Managing end-of-game situations.
- How do you keep your team's foot on the gas when on a winning streak?
- What are you doing for professional development?
- Tournament season tips and suggestions.
- How are you bouncing back after a tough loss?

**March**

- Nurturing a *finish-strong* attitude.
- Being a parent during tournament season.
- Best networking tips and strategies.
- What are ways to navigate life and career transitions?
- How are you assisting student-athletes with what's next?