



Oklahoma Coaches Association Launches Women Coaches Network

A Strategic Plan to Empower, Retain, and Recruit Women Teacher/Coaches Across Oklahoma

Oklahoma City, OK — The Oklahoma Coaches Association (OCA) proudly introduces its Women Coaches Network, a strategic initiative dedicated to supporting, retaining, and recruiting women teacher/coaches throughout the state. This new plan aims to bolster education-based athletics and elevate the presence of women teacher/coaches both on the playing field and in the classroom, ensuring Oklahoma's student-athletes benefit from high-quality coaching, teaching, and mentorship.

Recognizing the unique challenges faced by women coaches, the OCA is committed to not only increasing their numbers but also to fostering a supportive environment that helps current women teacher/coaches navigate the complexities of their roles. Through this network, coaches will have access to valuable resources, advisor or mentor connections, and collaborative strategies focused on overcoming shared challenges. The overarching goal is to create pathways for women teacher/coaches that reflect a strong commitment to education-based athletics, promote women's sports, and encourage lifelong health and wellness of not only the student/athletes but also the teacher/coaches.

Key Components of the Women Coaches Network

- Promote women teacher/coaches statewide.
- Develop initiatives to retain women teacher/coaches in the profession.
- Encourage collaboration and partnership among women teacher/coaches.
- Provide support during challenging times to reduce attrition and keep more women teacher/coaches in the profession.
- Increase the representation of women teacher/coaches in Oklahoma's school systems.
- Recruit new women teacher/coaches into the profession.
- Finally, the task force is for women teacher/coaches and will be overseen and ran by women teacher/coaches.

By implementing this strategic plan, the Oklahoma Coaches Association reaffirms its dedication to strengthening education-based athletics and championing the vital role of women teacher/coaches across Oklahoma.

The Oklahoma Coaches Association is the state's leading professional organization for interscholastic coaches, dedicated to supporting coaches through education, advocacy, and professional development.