



NATIONAL FASTPITCH COACHES ASSOCIATION COACHES CLINICS

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1. **NFCA Coaches Clinic Overview:** Whether you are a first-year coach wondering about pitching and practice planning, or a seasoned veteran who needs new drills and an updated hitting philosophy, the NFCA has you covered. NFCA Coaches Clinics feature five outstanding clinicians who will share ideas, drills, strategies, player-development techniques and much more. Clinic formats include rotating speaker sessions, breaks to visit the vendors, a Q&A speaker panel and a social hour for networking opportunities.

The health and safety of our employees and our Coaches Clinics attendees, exhibitors, media and guests is the NFCA's top priority. In response to COVID – 19 or in the event of any other threat or risk to health or safety, the NFCA will implement and follow local, state, and national government directives, recommended guidelines, health advisories, and hotel policies. Any of these may impact our Coaches Clinics capacity and/or schedule. The NFCA will communicate any changes to its attendees as quickly as it is feasible.

2. **Registration Timeline and Promotion:** Online registration for NFCA Coaches Clinics goes live in early September. Cost of registration is the same for members and non-members, however member-only incentives will be available on-site (special giveaways, drawing for free Coaches Clinic the following year). Registration price increases two weeks prior to clinic date. On-site registration is available (limited to hotel capacity restrictions) for an additional charge.

During NFCA Coaches Clinics activities, the NFCA reserves the right to use various content created by staff and attendees to promote the NFCA. Content may include photos and videos of attendees participating in Coaches Clinics activities and may be shared via social media channels. In addition, the NFCA may use an NFCA Coaches Clinics attendee's name, image, and likeness (NIL) on NFCA social media platforms for both NFCA and Coaches Clinics promotional purposes. By registering, you are giving permission for your NIL to be used. If you do not authorize the NFCA to use your NIL, please email the NFCA Executive Director, Carol Bruggeman at carol@nfca.org.



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2.1. Registration Guidelines

- 2.1.1. All registration fees must be paid in full prior to receiving a Coaches Clinic credential and any clinic on-site materials.
 - 2.1.2. The NFCA accepts official school purchase orders, checks, money orders, or credit cards. For all returned checks, the original fee for the event must be remitted via money order or cashier's check plus a \$30 processing fee. *For purchase orders, please contact events@nfca.org if your school requires an invoice.
 - 2.1.3. It is up to each registered attendee to provide documentation of registration, a payment trail (record), contact information of the school, university, or business employee who handled registration and payment for the coach, etc., should the NFCA not have your registration or payment on file upon entering the clinic. Without documentation, NFCA reserves the right to deny admission to the clinic.
 - 2.1.4. NFCA Coaches Clinic registrations may be limited due to hotel capacity, meeting space capacity, state regulations and federal regulations. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. A timestamp of registration will be used to determine order of registration. Although walk-in registrations are welcome, they are not guaranteed a place in the clinic.
 - 2.1.5. Should COVID-19 or any other health or safety crisis require the NFCA to adopt government directives, hotel occupancy guidelines, and/or social distancing recommendations, Coaches Clinic attendee registrations may be limited. All Coaches Clinic registrations will be timestamped. Should capacity be reached, the NFCA Coaches Clinic registration will be closed and priority will be given in order of registration. Those registrations that exceed the maximum capacity will be notified, cancelled and refunded accordingly.
 - 2.1.6. Prospective Student-Athletes. Prospective student-athletes can register and attend a Coaches Clinic, however, all recruiting rules and guidelines must be followed. No contact is allowed with our speakers, including conversations and photos.
3. Access, Lanyards & Coaches Clinic Credential: Access into any and all NFCA Coaches Clinic sessions requires a credential and lanyard. Credentials and lanyards should be worn at all times during the Coaches Clinic and will be obtained on-site at the NFCA Coaches Clinic registration desk. Please note, credentials will be monitored and entry into all of the Coaches Clinic sessions and access will not be permitted without the appropriate accreditation. No sharing of lanyards is allowed. If attendee shares his/her credential he/she may be removed from the Clinic.
- 3.1. Attendee Credential: Credential would give access to all speaker sessions, the exhibit hall, and social hour.
 - 3.2. Exhibitor Credential: Credential would give access to the exhibit hall and social hour.
 - 3.3. Media Credential: Media credentials are available to established media personnel and may be obtained through the NFCA Director of Communications Brian Stanley at brian@nfca.org. For specific details on the Media credential, reference the Media Guidelines at https://nfca.org/web_docs/convention/NFCA-Media-Guidelines.pdf
 - 3.4. Replacement Credentials & Lanyards: There will be a \$25 replacement fee for lost credential or lanyard of any type. Replacements can be obtained at the NFCA Convention registration desk on-site.
4. Expectations and Consequences: The NFCA Coaches Clinics provide an opportunity for learning, collaboration and interaction between staff, speakers, presenters, guests, and attendees. The Coaches Clinics environment is one of openness, inclusivity, and mutual respect. Any attendee who speaks or acts in a disruptive, derogatory, or offensive manner or who violates the policies outlined in these Guidelines may be removed, have his/her credential revoked, and/or may not be permitted



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to attend future clinics. Behavior deemed inappropriate will be at the discretion of the NFCA on-site staff.

5. Video and Audio Recording: Audio and video recording of any speaker session or presentation is not permitted.
6. Alcohol: Alcohol will be served during the social event, but the consumption of alcohol is not permitted by any attendee who is not of legal drinking age or during any of the educational speaker sessions.
7. Attendee Email Addresses: As an NFCA Coaches Clinic attendee, your email address is shared with select NFCA Official Sponsors post-Clinic.
8. Refunds and Attendee Cancellations:
 - 8.1. Refunds: All refund requests must be submitted to events@nfca.org.
 - 8.2. Cancellations:
 - Cancellations at least 14 days prior to the event, will receive a full refund minus a \$25 administration fee.
 - Cancellations between 8-13 days prior to the event, will receive half of the amount paid.
 - No refunds will be awarded for cancellations within 7 days of the event for any reason.
 - For all returned checks, the original fee for the event must be remitted via money order or cashier's check plus a \$30 processing fee.
9. Registration Transfers: An attendee's payment may be transferred to a later clinic in the same clinic season provided space is available. However, payment may not be transferred to a clinic in future clinic season and a cancellation will be in accordance the section 8.2. of these guidelines.

Requests to transfer to a same-season clinic must be sent via email to events@nfca.org or traceable USPS mail will be accepted seven (7) days prior to the event. If transfer request occurs within seven (7) days of the event, no transfer or refund will be granted. Digital time stamps on submitted correspondence will be controlling. NFCA Staff will confirm or deny the transfer and reserves the right for final decisions on all transfer requests.

10. Coaches Clinics Cancellation and Weather: In the event of fire, strikes, weather, a pandemic, or other Acts of God or force majeure that render the Coaches Clinics site unfit or unavailable for use or causes the event to be cancelled prior to the opening date of such event, the registration will not be binding and payments on the account will be awarded a full refund less a \$25 administrative fee. In the event of inclement weather that results in cancelation of the event, a full refund less a \$25 admin fee will be provided.