

HELP!

My kid wants me
to be a coach.
WHAT DO I DO?

TEAM COACH: Overview

A Coach is generally a parent of one of the team members. The role of the TEAM COACH is to provide teams with an adult support system. The idea is for the kids to be in charge of, and manage, their own efforts and goals as a team with gentle background direction from their Coach.

Here's how a Coach might support their team:

- Help them to develop a "game plan" for how they will approach preparation for the Battle.
- Encourage them to work as a team.
- Help the team determine a time and place to meet. You could be there with them but it is not required.
- Encourage their progress in reading the books. It is strongly recommended that each team member does their best to read all of the books on their reading list.
- Remind them that they should each take notes and write questions as they read the books. These notes are useful to have as books are returned and can be used to quiz one another when they meet as a team.
- Promote a positive attitude and good sportsmanship. Our main goal at the Auburn Hills Public Library is to get the kids **excited about reading** while exposing them to different authors and types of books. In our opinion, ALL the readers are WINNERS!
- **For Fifth Grade Only**-- Assist the team in putting together costumes to promote team spirit and to compete in the "Best Costume" contest at the Final Battle.

NOTE: ANY COACH MUST BE AVAILABLE TO ATTEND ON THE NIGHT OF THE BATTLE TO ACT AS A TEAM MONITOR.

Thank you for being an Coach! We realize how difficult it can be to fit one more thing into busy lives, so we appreciate your dedication to the children on your team.

