

Lake Forest Winter Club — Hockey Coaches (Head, Assistant & Learn-to-Skate)

Location: Lake Forest, IL (games and practices across Chicagoland suburbs)

Season: September 2, 2025 – mid-March 2026

About the Role

The Lake Forest Winter Club is expanding our coaching staff and seeking passionate hockey professionals who want to **give back to the game**, help young athletes develop, and be part of a supportive, growth-minded community. A unique aspect of our program is the opportunity to **practice and play outdoors**—an unforgettable experience for coaches and players alike.

We are hiring for:

- **Head Coaches**
- **Assistant Coaches**
- **Learn-to-Skate Instructors**

Our teams will compete in the CSDHL Prospects League.

Time Commitment

- **2–4 days/week**
- **2–3 practices/week** (evenings)
- **1–2 games on weekends** (local, Chicagoland suburbs)
- **1–2 tournaments** (may be out of town; **all out-of-town expenses covered by the club**)
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What You'll Do

- Teach age-appropriate skills and systems aligned with our club curriculum
- Create a positive, competitive, and fun learning environment
- Communicate clearly with players and families
- Collaborate with staff to plan practices and manage game operations
- Model sportsmanship and the Winter Club's core values
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What We're Looking For

- High hockey IQ with a passion for developing players
- Prior coaching or high-level playing experience (youth, HS, juniors, college, or pro)
- Strong communication, organization, and reliability
- USA Hockey certifications (or willingness to obtain)
- Growth mindset and team-first attitude
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Why Coach with Us

- **Have fun, network, give back**
- Outdoor hockey opportunities that make seasons memorable
- Professional support, clear curriculum, and a tight-knit coaching community
- W-2 employment; out-of-town tournament expenses covered

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How to Apply

Email **Cody Murphy** at cmurphy@thewinterclub.com with:

- A short cover letter (coaching philosophy + availability)
- Your resume (relevant coaching/playing experience, certifications)

Join us in developing great players—and even better people—in one of the Midwest's most special hockey environments.