

1. Notice good play without over praising
2. Pick out a specific target behavior and give instructions "run left"
3. Set short and long term goals
4. Understand that players grow and change – you can make the difference, positively or negatively, in how they develop
5. Build trust
6. Have a plan for the team, each player, support staff—think ahead
7. Notice good teamwork and good sportsmanship
8. Build team spirit – create buddy programs (strong players teamed with weaker players), little treats, team chants, etc.
9. Use parents effectively for your team goals
10. Integrate new players and their parents