



Huddle Up Junior Volunteer Position Description

Volunteer Role: Sport and Recreation Volunteer

Program: Huddle Up Junior

Location: North Melbourne and surrounding suburbs

Program Hours: Monday to Thursday, 4pm-5pm

Required Commitment: 1 session per week for a minimum of 6 months

About The Huddle

Born out of the role and value of sport and the influence the North Melbourne Football Club plays in connecting people across different ages, genders and cultures; The Huddle was established in 2010 as the community arm of the Club in partnership with the Scanlon Foundation and the Australian Multicultural Foundation.

It was established to engage, support and empower young people to build on their strengths, increase their ability to participate in society and contribute to more socially inclusive communities.

The Huddle works with some of the most iconic sporting clubs in the world to help young people learn, grow and belong.

Through the design of its innovative programs, The Huddle leverages the power of sport to strengthen social inclusion, education and careers for young people.

More information about The Huddle can be found at www.nmfc.com.au/huddle, or on our Facebook (huddlenmfc) or Twitter pages (@huddlenmfc).

Huddle Up Junior

The Huddle's sport and recreation program, Huddle Up Junior, is a free drop-in sports program for kids aged 5-12.

Major sporting bodies deliver different programs, allowing participants to experience a range of different sports, including hockey, basketball, soccer, Australian football, cricket, gymnastics and tennis.

Huddle Up Junior aims to get young kids active and gives them the opportunity to try different sports that they potentially wouldn't have the opportunity to participate in. The program is designed around the needs of the participants and ensures a safe and active environment where kids can play sport, have fun and engage with others in the community.

Position Overview

Volunteers assist in the delivery of the Huddle Up Junior sports program. Volunteers contribute to running sporting sessions while building positive relationships with participants through active engagement. Volunteers contribute to an engaging, respectful and inclusive space, where all participants feel safe and valued.



Responsibilities and Duties

- Assist in the delivery of practical sessions and actively join in when required
- Assist in the set up and pack down of equipment and venue
- Help register new participants and record attendance
- Act as a positive role model and actively encourage young people to reach their potential through sport and recreation
- Build positive relationships with young people while acting professionally and appropriately
- Liaise with the Community Sport and Recreation Coordinator regarding participants' needs
- Attend agreed shifts, and in cases where this is not possible, communicate your non-attendance with the Community Sport and Recreation Coordinator
- Commit to attending one session per week during the school terms

Skills and Attributes

Essential:

- Keen interest and/or background in sport and recreation/general physical activity
- Well-developed interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to develop a rapport with young people and act as a positive role model
- Reliable and punctual
- An enthusiastic and positive attitude in activities and sporting programs
- Sense of initiative and ability to work well in a team with other staff and volunteers

Desired:

- Experience with community sport activities or coaching
- Experience working with young people from diverse cultural and socio-economic backgrounds
- First Aid and/or Defibrillator/CPR accreditation

Volunteer Shifts and Commitment

Huddle Up Junior runs Monday to Thursday, from 4pm-5pm, during the school terms. The program is held in different locations each day (see The Huddle's Arden St timetable for specific locations). We ask that volunteers commit to attending one session per week for a minimum of six months.

One-off opportunities may be offered to volunteers to assist with school holiday programs and North Melbourne Football Club game days (this is not mandatory). Shift days and required times will be agreed to between the volunteer and The Huddle staff.

Application Conditions

- To undergo a selection process including interview, reference checks and a Working with Children Check. Any position is subject to satisfactory checks.
- To participate in an induction and training session upon appointment.
- Be over the age of 18.