



The 2026 John Higgins Basketball Officiating Instructional Camp(s) are for current College and High School Officials who aspire to advance their officiating career. The goal and objective for every camp are to provide an opportunity for each official to improve their officiating skills and advance their career.

Each Training & Development Camp Features/Benefits

- **(Over 60)** Officials have been hired into the COC-MBB Consortium (Big 12, PAC 12, West Coast Conference, Missouri Valley, Big West, Big Sky, WAC Conferences and Lone Star Conference) from attending the 2024/2025 John Higgins Basketball Officiating Camps. Several current staff members received more assignments and higher-level games based on their individual performance at one the JHBOC-in the 2025-2026 seasons.
- John and his COC-MBB Leadership Team-(Gerry Pollard/Eddie Jackson) along with conference administrators and NCAA staff will be attending. Gerry & Eddie handle several conferences.
- Tommy Johnson, Coordinator of the Lone Star (D2) and Brooks Wells, Coordinator of Great Plains Athletic & Iowa Junior College Conference will be at all camps to identify officials for their leagues.
- John Blazek, D2 National Coordinator, will be in attendance. John assigns the National Junior College D1 Tournament along with the D2 National Tournament.
- Experienced and Top-Level Camp Clinicians, who are outstanding teachers.
- Combination of high-level training and development, the JHBOC will provide the necessary exposure opportunity to advance your officiating career.
- Top High Level High School & AAU Team Games to officiate. In partnership with Nike EYBL Elite and Section 7 (Arizona) it will provide you with the opportunity to showcase your officiating skills. ***When choosing an exposure & development-instructional camp, focus on the level of play you will be officiating and who is conducting the teaching, training and evaluations!***
- Video/Audio game analysis on select games officiated.
- Limited Officials per camp for maximum game evaluation exposure.
- Individual Official Profile developed with our partnership with Ref-Quest.
- Game Assignments will be available via Ref-Quest Game Management Platform.
- **Each Official will receive an evaluation grade across several key performance areas: (Call Accuracy, Fitness & Mobility, Game Management, Player & Bench Decorum, etc.)**

NEW for the 2026 JHBOC Series is Pre-Camp Training Sessions: The JHBOC is producing a minimum of (10)—30-minute video segments you will receive on what “you” want to hear about---as an official you be asked on a survey what is of interest to you to learn more about. Not all topics will be covered. JHBA host, Travis Justice will moderate the segments with the JHBOC Staff.

Below are some comments from officials who attended the 2024/2025 John Higgins Basketball Officiating Camps:

- Very well organized. The breakout sessions were great, and the topics covered were informative. All staff were very approachable and open.
- Plenty of topics covered. Observers were all engaged and offered good feedback. Everyone, including John Higgins, made themselves available for conversation. The level of basketball was solid.
- There are a lot of opportunities to grow! Experiences from different clinicians were a great tool to learn. Thanks!
- The organization, the clinicians were first class, and the basketball was great being paired with the EYBL
- The approach and interactions with senior experienced officials! Don't think there was a moment I didn't get a new tool for my tool bag...
- There was never a doubt about the schedule, where and when your game was, the information, access to your games, people (clinicians) who were still on the court, the advanced notice and communication, and enthusiasm from all the people who were there.
- I certainly appreciated the Staff in taking time out of their busy schedule to teach us during classroom sessions, evaluating games as well as the John's time to watch our games to provide positive feedback
- Professional. Good game flow and organization. Centralized so the staff could watch all games and officials. Good Q&A sessions with great staff and real answers
- The level of play and games to officiate was excellent. It provided an opportunity to officiate potential college players.
- Honest feedback, high level games and accessibility to staff is great.
- Top Level staff----they care and are willing to help. No ego and story telling but honest feedback.
- Game management is top level---very well organized.
- John is accessible and sees a lot of games and offer feedback.
- The Ref-Quest rating technology gives immediate feedback.
- I was a better official when I left, didn't get hired but learned a TON!

2026 JHBOC Schedule:

May 22-May 25 Kansas City Nike Elite-EYBL (Arrive by 9am on 5/22-Depart after 6pm on 5/25) (Classroom sessions begin Friday, 5/22 at 10am) Location = TBD
Games played at Hyvee Arena & Homefield Sports Complex

Cost: \$575

June 12-June 14 Phoenix Section 7 Premiere (Arrive by 8am on Friday June 12th-Depart arena after 5pm on Sunday, June 14th)

Friday 6/12 Registration at 830am & Classroom sessions begin at 930am) Location: The Marriott at The Buttes in Phoenix. Games played at The Arizona Sports Complex in Mesa

Cost: \$575

July 8 –July 11 Las Vegas Nike Elite-EYBL (Arrive by 8am on Wednesday July 8th-Depart arena after 5pm on Saturday, July 11)

Wednesday, July 8th, Registration at 8am & Classroom sessions begin at 830am) Location: The Las Vegas Convention Center. Games played at the Las Vegas Convention Center.

Cost: \$575

- A \$250 Non-Refundable Deposit is due upon registration to secure your spot for each camp location.

Payment will only be accepted via RefQuest JHBOC Portal.

- Full payment required 21 Days prior to the start of each camp.
- **LODGING/TRANSPORTATION:** Each official is responsible for their own lodging/meals and transportation.
- ***Arrival/Departures subject to change once final game schedules are released.***

Once payment is received you will receive confirmation along with additional information. You will also receive camp communication and other details, including what to expect and pre-camp preparation requirements prior to the camp.

Questions contact:

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