

# QUESTIONS (AND ANSWERS)

## What should athletes bring to tryouts?

- A printed copy of the athlete's USAV membership card, register at OVR.org
- If you have not preregistered (preferred), please bring your completed tryout form and \$30 payment
- All athletes will receive their shirt when they check-in the day of tryouts. Please bring water and dress in your volleyball gear :)

## When should I arrive at tryouts?

Athletes should arrive 30 minutes prior to tryouts. This will allow you time to go through check-in, change into your tryout shirt and get settled before we start. There may be a line so don't wait until the last minute to arrive!

## Are parents allowed to stay and watch tryouts?

Absolutely! Parents are encouraged to stay and watch tryouts. It is important for families to have all the information when making a decision about the club. Parents being able to see the quality of our program and training as well as the other athletes that their child will be playing with is an important part of the club tryout process.

## How do I know which tryout to attend?

For this 2022-23 club season, all of our tryouts are held by age-group. This eliminates the need for athletes to attend multiple tryouts. Athletes should attend tryouts based on the following USA Volleyball age classifications:

Age      "Traditional" USAV Definition      OVR "Grade-Level" Definition

18 & Under      Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2004, or are high school students in the twelfth (12th) grade or below during the current academic year and are 19 years of age or younger (born on or after July 1, 2003)      Teams with players who are in the 12th grade or below during the current academic year

17 & Under      Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2005      Teams with players who are in the 11th grade or below during the current academic year

16 & Under      Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2006      Teams with players who are in the 10th grade or below during the current academic year

15 & Under      Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2007      Teams with players who are in the 9th grade or below during the current academic year

14 & Under	Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2008 the 8th grade or below during the current academic year	Teams with players who are in
13 & Under	Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2009 the 7th grade or below during the current academic year	Teams with players who are in
12 & Under	Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2010 the 6th grade or below during the current academic year	Teams with players who are in
11 & Under	Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2011 the 5th grade or below during the current academic year	Teams with players who are in
10 & Under	Teams with players born on or after July 1, 2012 the 4th grade or below during the current academic year	Teams with players who are in

### **How will I be evaluated at tryouts?**

You will be evaluated at tryouts by former coaches and athletes who will take notes throughout the tryout paying close attention to grade level, school, and position so that forming teams afterward is efficient. All girls will be evaluated on the HAWKS criteria -

- Heart
- Attitude
- Work Ethic
- Knowledge
- Skill

Tune-Ups are an excellent way to be prepared for the tryout.

### **How do I know if I made a team?**

After tryouts have concluded, scores are tallied and teams are formed according to age, skill level, position, and school. Team offers will be emailed within 3 days of tryouts.

### **What happens if I make a team?**

After receiving your team offer, you have 10 days (3 for a National Team) to accept or decline the offer. Take your time if needed, we know it is a big decision!

### **What happens if I don't make a team?**

Athletes who are not immediately offered a position in the club are placed on the "Alternate List". We will begin emailing athletes from this list to make offers as soon as positions become available.

### **How much do the teams cost and what are the schedules for this season?**

Please check out our "Payment Schedule" for the 2023 Season!