

Dayton Juniors Volleyball Club Informational Meeting Fact Sheet



2021 - 22 Club Season

“The Gem of the Miami Valley”

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COVID GUIDELINES FOR INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS AND PARENTS

When possible, please try to adhere to the most stringent federal, state or local guidelines when participating in any activity.

Before Activities

- Be symptom free for at least 14 days prior to any activity.
- Stay home if you are sick or do not feel well.
- Be aware of and disclose any potential contacts with affected individuals.
- Wash and sanitize your hands often.
- Do not touch your face, eyes or mouth with unclean hands.
- Practice social distancing regularly.
- It is recommended that you wear a face mask to reduce exposure to airborne particles.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your elbow if you cough or sneeze.
- Keep a list of people you have been in contact with each day.

During Activities

- Refrain from attending any activity if displaying COVID-19 symptoms or other infectious disease symptoms.
- Upon arriving at the facility, will be admitting players into the facility one at a time.
- It is recommended that you wear a face mask when entering and exiting the building. As a reminder, we will not be wearing a face mask when playing or practicing volleyball.
- Please proceed directly to your assigned space from your coach and do not remove your personal items from that space during the entirety of practice.
- Come to practice dressed and ready to play. The only item you should change at the gym is your shoes.
- Practice social distancing by staying 6 feet apart unless otherwise directed by your coaches. Violating the 6-foot rule will only occur when social distancing is not possible.
- Refrain from contacting other participants and attendees (high fives and huddles).
- Wash and sanitize your hands often.
- Do not touch your face, eyes or mouth with unclean hands.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your elbow if you cough or sneeze.
- Bring hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes. *We have this available as well.
- The water fountain is closed, so please have your own water bottles filled for each practice.
- Please use the bathroom before you leave home and do everything possible to wait to use the bathroom until after you have arrived at home. *They are available if needed.

After Activities

- Wash and sanitize your hands often.
- Do not touch your face, eyes or mouth with unclean hands.
- Monitor your health and report any symptoms after every activity.
- Practice social distancing as often as possible.
- It is recommended that you wear a face mask to reduce exposure to airborne particles.
- Wash and sanitize all gear, uniforms and apparel used during the activity.

**Based off USA Volleyball Return to Play Guidelines, which can be found on [OVR.org](https://www.usavolleyball.org) or [teamusa.org](https://www.teamusa.org). We reserve the right to change these guidelines as needed for the safety of our players, coaches, families, and fans.*

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1. Introduction

Dayton Juniors Volleyball Club (DJVBC) is a large-scale volleyball program dedicated to providing high quality volleyball experiences for the youth of the greater Dayton area. The club fields multiple teams in all age groups (10s-18s); at Regional, American and National level of play within the Ohio Valley Region (www.ovr.org) of the USA Volleyball Organization (www.usavolleyball.org). Our vision is to be the volleyball club of choice for players wanting to learn, compete and advance their passion for volleyball...the greatest team sport in the world.

2. Club Strengths

We believe Dayton Juniors VBC provides the youth of the greater Dayton area with a high value, high quality volleyball experience at a reasonable price. Below are a few of the things that will be unique to your experience with the Dayton Juniors VBC.

- a. High quality coaching staff with two coaches per team (12s-18s), many with college experience
- b. Teams within each age group typically train together, taking advantage of the expertise of all coaches within that age group
- c. Two training sessions per week for Gold/White/Black level teams and 3 sessions per week for each Blue level team. Teams will have a consistent, stable training schedule
- d. Age group skills training sessions twice a week during the month of December
- e. Dedicated training facility providing year-round, uninterrupted court access
- f. Coaches may individually train Dayton Juniors player at our facility with no court fee
- g. Open tryouts
- h. Quality uniforms, equipment and training aids
- i. Presidents' Day Cup – a nationally recognized premier tournament with over 100 college coaches attending. In most cases, all Dayton Juniors team participate. Success in this event helps subsidize the cost of club fees
- j. National level reputation for providing quality training and helping athletes achieve their volleyball-related goals

3. Club Organization

The Dayton Juniors VBC is a non-profit organization with a focus on customer satisfaction. All major club decisions are considered by our 7-member Board of Trustees.

- a. Director – Kali Mizen
- b. Business Administration – Derek & Emily Benson
- c. Club Season Coordinator – Jennifer Bell
- d. Facilities – Mitch Wheeler
- e. Social Media – Heather Wherry
- f. Web/Scheduling - Bethany Culpepper

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4. Distinguishing Dayton Juniors Teams

Dayton Juniors VBC is committed to fielding competitive teams in a range of skill levels to promote athletic improvement for young athletes coming from a variety of volleyball backgrounds. We will field as many teams as we feel appropriate considering court availability for training and quality coaching. Dayton Juniors offers three tiers of teams from 13s-18s with various time, financial and travel commitments. We will field only regional teams at the 12s age level. The tiers along with their associated DJVBC team names are described below.

a. Blue Teams (13s-17s)

- i. Training Sessions:
 - 1. Two weekday evening practices per week
 - 2. One weekend practice per week
- ii. Tournaments:
 - 1. Large, high-visibility two-day events with the strongest level of competition and significant travel commitments
 - 2. 15/16/17 Blue will register as NATIONAL and will compete at USAV Nationals in Indianapolis.

b. Gold Teams (13s-18s), 18 Blue

- i. Training Sessions:
 - 1. One weekday evening practice per week
 - 2. One weekend practice per week
- ii. Tournaments:
 - 1. Majority of tournaments are in Ohio with an intermediate level of competition
 - 2. Teams will attend a mixture of one-day and two-day events with ~3 travel events

c. Regional Teams (All 12s, 13-18 White/Black)

- # of teams based on availability of players, coaches and courts

- i. Training Sessions:
 - 1. One weekday evening practice per week
 - 2. One weekend practice per week
- ii. Tournaments:
 - 1. Mostly 1 day tournaments in Ohio within 1-2 hours of Dayton.
 - 2. Teams designed for athletes wishing to compete without the time/financial commitment of the Blue/Gold Teams

5. Structure of Dayton Juniors Teams

- a. Head Coach and Assistant Coach for all teams
 - i. Training Coaches are not required to travel
- b. 10 players per teams (exceptions reviewed by DJVBC Board)

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6. Tryouts

a. Age Group Definitions

Plan to attend tryouts for the division that matches your current grade level EVEN IF your birthday puts you in the next division up. Grade/Birthday discussions, if necessary, will be reviewed at tryouts to make sure placement on the athlete's most beneficial team occurs.

- i. **18s:** Born on or after July 1, 2003 (or high school senior)
- ii. **17s:** Born on or after July 1, 2004 (or currently in 11th grade)
- iii. **16s:** Born on or after July 1, 2005 (or currently in 10th grade)
- iv. **15s:** Born on or after July 1, 2006 (or currently in 9th grade)
- v. **14s:** Born on or after July 1, 2007 (or currently in 8th grade)
- vi. **13s:** Born on or after July 1, 2008 (or currently in 7th grade)
- vii. **12s:** Born on or after July 1, 2009 (or currently in 6th grade)
- viii. **11s:** Born on or after July 1, 2010 (or currently in 5th grade)
- ix. **10s:** Born on or after July 1, 2011 (or currently in 4th grade)

b. Registration and Tryout Information

- i. You must pre-register for our tryout on our website by clicking "Tryouts" at www.DaytonJuniorsVBC.com (does not commit player to our program/tryouts)
- ii. The OVR/USAV requires any player participating in tryouts to be a member of the OVR/USAV.
 1. Prior to tryouts, you must register on-line at www.Ovr.org to obtain a Tryout Membership (\$10).
 2. Once selected for a team, the remaining \$57 must be paid for the full-season USAV registration (the total registration fee is \$67). This \$67 fee is not part of our Club Fees
 3. You must print out your registration confirmation/card and bring to your initial tryout.
 4. By OVR rule, we cannot allow you to participate in tryouts without proof of USAV registration.
- iii. The Dayton Juniors \$25 Tryout Fee is due at the time of online registration and will be collected electronically.
- iv. All tryouts will be at the Dayton Juniors Training Facility.
- v. All athletes will tryout only **once** – in their defined age group.

Any player wishing to be considered for an additional age group must get approval from the Director – Kali Mizen (843-540-6844 – djrsdirector@gmail.com)

- vi. If you are unsure of the age group your athlete should try out for, please contact one of the Club's Board members.

c. Selection Criteria (not inclusive and in no particular order)

- i. Athlete's physical ability (example: jumping and speed)
- ii. Athlete's work ethic (example: hustle and willingness to try hard every time)
- iii. Athlete's sportsmanship (example: encouraging and cheering for other athletes)
- iv. Athlete's age in relation to the team being considered for
- v. Athlete's years with the club
- vi. Only 3 girls from the same school district's competing team are permitted on each roster
- vii. Athlete's overall volleyball ability

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d. Team Selection and Player Acceptance

- i. A coach from each team will call his/her team players and offer each one a position on the team. Upon acceptance, we require the player complete the offer acceptance form on our website.
- ii. Tentative tryout dates are provided in the table below. We will communicate with you the official deadline to provide us with an answer, though we strongly encourage you to have decisions prepared as soon as possible for the benefit of all clubs trying to complete their rosters.
- iii. Players offered positions after the acceptance deadline has passed will have 48 hours from the time of the offer to field a response.

AGE GROUP	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3
12 and Under	Saturday, October 23 (9:00am-10:30am)	Monday, October 25 (5:30pm-7:00pm)	
13s	Saturday, October 30 (8:30am-11:00am)	Monday, November 1 (5:00pm-6:30pm)	Wednesday, November 3 (5:30pm-7:00pm)
14s	Saturday, October 30 (12:00pm-2:30pm)	Monday, November 1 (7:00pm-8:30pm)	Wednesday, November 3 (5:30pm-7:00pm)
15s	Sunday, November 14 (2:00pm-4:00pm)	Monday, November 15 (5:00pm-6:30pm)	Wednesday, November 17 (5:30pm-7:00pm)
16s	Sunday, November 14 (4:30pm-6:30pm)	Monday, November 15 (7:00pm-8:30pm)	Wednesday, November 17 (5:30pm-7:00pm)
17s/18s	Sunday, November 14 (7:00pm-9:00pm)	Tuesday, November 16 (5:30pm-7:00pm)	

7. Uniforms

Dayton Juniors has signed a multi-year contract with Under Armour which has allowed for significant cost savings on player uniforms. At tournaments, our athletes **are expected to** represent Under Armour from the ankle up. Players will be outfitted with socks, knee pads, spandex, jerseys, backpack and warm-up pants/jackets that will meet these requirements. Backpacks, warm-up pants/jackets may be re-used from previous years so that you don't have to buy them again. In order to expedite uniform delivery for the 2020-21 season, uniform and warm-up sizing will be optionally available to the athletes during tryouts. We encourage athletes to participate and remember their preferred sizes. The offer acceptance form will require you to fill out this information. We will be ordering all apparel immediately following the fulfillment of teams to make sure everything arrives in time for competition.

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8. Open Gyms

Back by popular demand, Dayton Juniors will hold open gyms for all athletes who would like to attend prior to tryouts. Open gyms are FREE for any athlete who played for Dayton Juniors last season (\$3 per day for those who did not). Open gym timing is subject to change if attendance is too great for all divisions to share the gym at once. We'll post updates on our Facebook page.

Members of our coaching staff will be there each night to organize play and to get to know you all.

Date	Time	Age Group
Monday, October 18	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	12s-14s
Tuesday, October 19	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	12s-14s
Thursday, October 21	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	12s-14s
Tuesday, October 26	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	12s-14s
Thursday, October 28	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	12s-14s
Date	Time	Age Group
Monday, November 08	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	15s-18s
Tuesday, November 09	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	15s-18s
Thursday, November 11	5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	15s-18s

9. Training Schedules

Specific training schedules will be released closer to tryouts on our website. We try our best to keep similar age/skill teams in the gym together to allow for carpooling and competition during practices. Sometimes, though, schedules must be adjusted to fit with a coach's work/school/life schedule. As our coaching roster becomes finalized, we'll be able to finalize the training schedule as well.

a. November 29, 2021 – December 19, 2021

- i. ½ of practice: Dayton Children's Sports Metrics program
- ii. ½ of practice: Skills training with your team / age group
- iii. Holiday Break: December 20, 2021 - January 2, 2022

b. January 3 – May 2022

- i. Teams begin following the regular season training schedules
- ii. Season conclusion in May except for our NATIONAL teams (June).

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10. Coaching Staff

Each year DJVBC works hard to employ a staff that will provide the best experience for our athletes. All coaching assignments and bios will be available on our website as they become finalized.

11. Club Yearbook

- a. Dayton Juniors Yearbook
 - i. Players have the opportunity to reduce their club fees by selling ads for the yearbook. Ads can be sold beginning November 26th. Electronic Forms can be found on the DJRS website under forms. All ad money collected directly offsets the fees for that player. Ads and monies are to be turned in electronically no later than **January 19, 2022**.

12. Fundraising

Dayton Juniors relies on your support to help the club fundraise. Recent achievements thanks to fundraising include: a water bottle filler, new sign on the front of our building, two large TVs, tablets and phones which can be used for video analysis of games and practices, an enplug subscription for improving club communication, our website, new volleyball nets and balls, and various training equipment. Thanks in advance for your support!

13. Presidents' Day Cup

Dayton Juniors hosts the Presidents' Day Cup at the Greater Columbus CC and Duke Energy Center (Cincinnati) over Presidents' Day Weekend. It is a major effort and we require your support to pull it off. One parent for each athlete will be assigned a mandatory 3 to 4 hour work shift the weekend of the event at the facility your daughter is competing at. It's easy work, but incredibly vital to the event's success!

14. Travel and Tournament Schedule

We are making a concerted effort to travel together as a club to as many tournaments as possible. This opens up a few opportunities for Dayton Juniors as a club. First, we'll be able to better control the cost of travel (both coaches and athletes). Second, we can present ourselves as a club rather than just a group of teams. Teams will be expected to support each other during non-playing times. Below are the tournament schedules for the 2022 travel season.

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15 Blue, 16 Blue, 17 Blue			
# Days	Approx Dates	Event	Location
2	Jan 29 and 30	Central Zone	Indianapolis
2	Feb 19 and 20	PDC	Columbus
2	Mar 12 and 13	Bluegrass	Louisville
3	Mar 25 through 27	MEQ	Indianapolis
2	April 10 and 11	OVR Bid	Columbus
2	April 30 and May 1	Battle of Lake Erie	Sandusky
1	Mid May	OVR Regionals	Columbus
4	Late June	USA Nationals	Indianapolis
+ One additional 2-Day Event of Coach's Choice			

13 Blue and 14 Blue			
# Days	Approx Dates	Event	Location
2	Jan 29 and 30	Central Zone	Indianapolis
2	Feb 19 and 20	PDC	Columbus
2	Mar 12 and 13	Bluegrass	Louisville
2	April 30 and May 1	Battle of Lake Erie	Sandusky
1	Mid May	OVR Regionals	Columbus
+ Three additional 2-Day Events of Coach's Choice			

All 13s-17s Gold Teams and 18 Blue			
# Days	Approx Dates	Event	Location
2	Jan 29 and 30	Central Zone	Indianapolis
2	Feb 19 and 20	PDC	Columbus
2	April 30 / May 1	Battle of Lake Erie	Sandusky
1	Mid May	OVR Regionals	Columbus
+ Four additional days of competition (Coach's Choice)			

All 12s teams, All 13s-18s White/Black/Red teams			
# Days	Approx Dates	Event	Location
2	Feb 19 and 20	PDC	Columbus
1	Mid May	OVR Regionals	Columbus
+ Five additional days of competition (Coach's Choice)			

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15. Player Fees

We recognize that club volleyball is a significant investment in both time and money for your athletes. Below you'll see a matrix broken down by team level. The only additional required cost for the club experience will be the cost of getting yourself/family to the events your team is participating in.

Here's what we've done to try and help:

- Assumed the responsibility of paying for coaches' travel arrangements so that costs can be better controlled.
- Will order equipment in large quantities, at discounted rates, rather than individually per family to create another opportunity for cost savings.

What's Included?	15 Blue 16 Blue 17 Blue	13 Blue 14 Blue	13-17 Gold 18 Blue	All 12s All 13s-18s White/Black
# Weekly Practices	3	3	2	2
Tournaments	20 Dates	15 Dates	11 Dates	8 Dates
# Coaches	2	2	2	2
Apparel	2 Jerseys	2 Jerseys	2 Jerseys	2 Jerseys
	2 Spandex	2 Spandex	2 Spandex	2 Spandex
	Knee pads	Knee pads	Knee pads	Knee pads
	2 Pair of Socks	2 Pair of Socks	2 Pair of Socks	2 Pair of Socks
	3 Practice Tees	3 Practice Tees	2 Practice Tees	2 Practice Tees
Sports Metrics	Included			
Yearbook	Included			
Coaches Travel Expenses	Included			
2021-22 Total Cost	\$2,250	\$1,900	\$1,500	\$1,250
Bag/Jacket/Pants (+\$130) if needed	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$130
Payment Schedule				
Due Date	15 Blue 16 Blue 17 Blue	13 Blue 14 Blue	13-17 Gold 18 Blue	All 12s All 13s-18s White/Black
Due At Acceptance	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
Due December 15 (+ Bag/Jacket/Pants/Jerseys if buying)	\$550	\$450	\$350	\$300
Due January 15	\$500	\$450	\$350	\$250
Due February 15	\$500	\$400	\$300	\$250
Due March 15	\$500	\$400	\$300	\$250
2021-22 Total Cost	\$2,250	\$1,900	\$1,500	\$1,250

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16. Offer Acceptance

After tryouts, our coaching staff will contact the athlete/her parents to communicate offers and to answer any questions they may have. When you've made the decision to accept an offer to play with us, you'll fill out the ACCEPTANCE FORM on the Dayton Juniors website to formalize the acceptance.

This form is rather lengthy, but replaces much of the physical paperwork that has been required in the past. Be prepared to answer:

- Contact information (for club season communication)
- Medical Release paperwork
- Signing Dayton Juniors Parent/Player handbook and Payment Contract
- Jersey, T-shirt, Spandex sizing
- Whether you'll need Bag/Pants/Jacket and, if so, the sizes
- A \$200 deposit which serves as the first payment of club fees