

Club Philosophy

Northwest Juniors VBC began in 1972 and celebrated 50 years in 2022! Our mission is to provide opportunities for athletes to train and play the great sport of volleyball. Our club is committed to providing opportunities for young athletes at all levels of development to engage in quality, competitive experiences. We are dedicated to the idea that any athlete, regardless of size or skill level, who wants to participate in the USAV Junior Volleyball program, should be given the opportunity. We recognize many of our high school athletes desire is to prepare for the possibility of playing collegiately. Our priority is to continue to develop our athletes by focusing on skill development to help them advance towards their goal. For most age groups, we offer three teams with a competition schedule to challenge and provide opportunities for success.

Team descriptions are posted on our tryout page for review prior to registering before our tryout.

NW Juniors is a year-round club providing athletes the opportunity to advance their skills by training at NW Juniors Beach facility (also known as Bottega). We host national-level, and regional beach volleyball events. Our beach volleyball training is offered April-August. ****NW Juniors members get discounts for all of our indoor and beach summer programming.**

Club Staff (<https://www.nwjuniors.org/staff>)

We are proud of our dedicated management and coaching staff. We are among the best managed clubs in the region

--Club Director is Tony Miranda. He has 30+ years' experience and is a leader in the volleyball community.

--Assistant Club Director is Gen Knoppi. She is a dedicated & experienced head coach and club program coordinator.

--Our Coaches are experienced in working with young athletes. Many are current or former college players.

--Our office staff assists club members with administrative and billing questions. billing@nwvolleyball.com

Tournament -Team schedules (<https://www.nwjuniors.org/teams-schedules>)

NW Juniors provides a competitive tournament schedule for our teams; giving the best opportunity to play competitive matches and grow as a team, and as an individual. ***Our schedule requires major commitments for all teams.*** Dates are listed so players and families can plan for important competition dates. Important; if you are selected for and accept a position on a Platinum team, **these tournaments take priority over other activities** and you should enter them into your schedules as such. Financial penalties exist for missing major tournaments like qualifiers and nationals. Tournament dates are subject to change once Qualifiers are finalized. Platinum teams' seasons will continue through Nationals (either USAV or AAU). *If a team qualifies for USAV National they must attend. AAU/USAV Nationals travel would be at an additional cost and are not included in published travel costs.

Club Dues & Expenses Information

Within each portion of the club, we budget for 12 players per team, and divide all club costs for the season equally between all club members in each portion of the club. These fees include but are not limited to, practices, coaches' salaries, equipment, coaching supplies, gym rental, tournament entry fees, admin overhead. Dues plus Travel is the estimated cost for the season's *total* Club Dues for the season. Travel policies:

- Travel fees include transportation and lodging only for coaches for travel tournaments;
- For "Fly-to" travel tournaments, travel fees *include team, coach, and chaperone-lodging cost for Platinum Teams. It does not include team ground transportation.*
- For "Drive-to" travel tournaments, *player hotel and transportation are not included. We secure a block in team hotels for players to stay with their parents.*
- For ALL travel, the club works with hotels to create a room block so teams and parents can stay in the same hotel. Most tournaments are "stay to play" tournaments and require the teams to secure rooms from their dedicated tournament block. In some cases, the team will not be accepted into the tournament until a minimum number of rooms have been secure for each team.
- *Each travel trip has a dedicated travel page with details that are relevant to each tournament, including hotel links, tournament information, etc.*
- Prices below are estimates based on previous season costs. Before the start of practices, the club finalizes the tournament schedule, registers teams for tournaments, purchases coaches' uniforms, upgrades equipment, and pays other associated costs in advance of the club season. Final costs are established for the total Club Dues once our travel schedule and costs are finalized in October, any adjustments would occur at that time.

****Club registration begins first week of August, with the option to pay the full season in advance or choose the installment plan.** For all members, a non-refundable \$750 down payment is due when registering. *There is a discount for paying the entire season at once as well as a sibling discount. Parents must order their athlete's uniform and pay directly to the supplier by the August 20th deadline. A Welcome e-mail with registration steps will be sent by August 7th from info@nwvolleyball.com.*

Uniform Fittings & Make-up Tryouts: Scheduled at the same location and time.

UNIFORM FITTINGS are for signed players. Tentatively, they will be Sunday, August 10th at the same timeframe and location as our final summer makeup tryouts. *Team fitting times will be posted to our club's calendar page.*

MAKE-UP TRYOUTS are to fill openings on existing teams. Opening will be posted here: <https://www.nwjuniors.org/tryout-u15-u18-2025>

Team Bonding day: Sunday, August 24th at our NW Juniors Beach Facility. Time for each team will be posted to our club's calendar page and distributed to coaches once our final team count is established.

SEASON COST:

Team	Season Summary	Payment Schedule
17 Platinum 16 Platinum (Dec-June) Dues: \$4550 <u>plus</u> *Travel: \$2875	Approximately 25 tournament days & 60 training days <i>*Team Hotel included for Fly-To tournaments, no airfare/transportation</i> <i>*Drive-to Travel tournaments: hotel and transportation not included;</i> <i>players stay with parent</i> <i>*Nationals are mandatory and at an additional cost.</i>	AUG: \$750 Deposit, plus uniform 5 Installments (Sept-Jan): \$1335

2026 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES: PLATINUM TEAMS

17 Platinum 25 Tournament Days	16 Platinum 25 Tournament Days
12/21: Mele Kalikimaka Tournament	12/20: Mele Kalikimaka Tournament
1/10: U18 PL Seeding Day	1/11: U16 PL Seeding Day
1/17-20: Matt Hartner Tournament (Eugene)	1/17-20: Matt Hartner Tournament (Eugene)
2/7: U18 Power League #1	2/1: U16 Power League #1
2/14-17: Las Vegas Classic/Triple Crown KC	2/14-17: Las Vegas Classic/Triple Crown KC
2/22: U18 Power League #2	2/22: U16 Power League #2
	3/8: U16 Power League #3
3/21-22: PSR Bid Tournament: U17	3/21-22: PSR Bid Tournament: U16
3/28-30: PNQ Qualifier (Spokane) U15-17	3/28-30: PNQ Qualifier (Spokane) U15-17
4/3-5: Windy City Qualifier (Chicago)	4/3-5: Windy City Qualifier (Chicago)
4/11: U18 Power League #3	
4/25-27: Salt Lake Qualifier (U15-17)	4/25-27: Salt Lake Qualifier (U15-17)
5/23-25: Emerald City Classic	5/23-25: Emerald City Classic

Post-season
6/25-7/3: USA Junior Nationals, Indianapolis
OR
TBA Mid-late June: AAU Nationals (Orlando)