

Florida Region - USA Volleyball

TIME OUT!

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A junior news bulletin from your Executive Director!

ATHLETES

- **COMMITTING TO AN INDOOR JR. CLUB** - The Florida Region encourages athletes to tryout for as many clubs as you would like before committing to a club for the season. Please select UNDECIDED when you renew your 2011/2012 USAV membership! You may select a club only once per season!
- **INDOOR CLUB TRYOUTS** - Athletes that are 14U may tryout for a USAV club any time after Sep 1, 2011. Athletes that are 15 & above may not tryout for a USAV club until Nov 20, 2011.
- **ATHLETE HARASSMENT POLICY** - Any athlete that continues to get unwanted contact from a USAV Club Director and/or Coach (after asking for contact to cease) may contact the Florida Region office.
- **LOCAL NEWS WANTED** - If you are making headlines in your local newspaper, please send a copy to our Marketing Coordinator (Krissy McKane) and your article may be selected for our Vol-eNews!
- **REGIONAL PRO TEAM** - Be on the look out for information on our Florida Region website about our new Team Florida Wave women's pro team. It will be for post-collegiate athletes that live in Florida and we are very excited to be one of the first Regions in the US to have a women's pro team in 2012!

PARENTS

- **FAN/SPECTATOR MEMBERSHIP** - We are once again offering a \$25 Fan/Spectator Membership. This membership allows free entry into the three region-hosted tournaments. \$30 value...\$25 cost!
- **PLAYER COMMITMENT FORMS** - Each athlete's parent must sign the Player Commitment Form prior to affiliating with an indoor junior club. Please contact your Club Director to complete this process.
- **CLUB SELECTION** - Before selecting an indoor junior club, please make sure that you are familiar with their dispute resolution and refund policy, at a minimum. These are the most common areas where issues occur between clubs and parents. Always read the paperwork before committing to a club.
- **REGISTRATION QUESTIONS** - NEED HELP? Contact our Registrar (Michele Sisser) at either (352) 742-0080 or msisser@FloridaVolleyball.org for assistance. (Office hours: Mon-Fri, 9am to 5pm)
- **GET TO KNOW THE COACH** - You should interview all of the coaches that might teach/train your child. Ask them about their experience, goals, and their core values. Talk to other families that have played for the coach in question and do your research. These are very important relationships!

COACHES

- **ANNUAL EDUCATION WEEKEND** - Our annual education weekend will be on Dec 9-11, 2011 in Orlando. We will offer IMPACT, IMPACT Instructor, CAP 1, CAP 2, B-IMPACT, & BCAP. Registration is now open @ www.FloridaVolleyball.org (click on the Education Weekend logo).
- **BACKGROUND SCREENS** - Please remember to renew your membership and process your USAV background screen before participating in any USAV sanctioned activities that involve youth or junior athletes. The State of Florida requires individuals involved in youth sports to be screened annually.
- **WILSON FRIDAY NIGHT SERIES** - Make plans to join us during the 2012 Wilson Friday Night Series!
- **IMPACT CERTIFICATIONS** - Reminder...all USAV coaches must be a minimum of IMPACT certified to participate in any USAV coaching activity. IMPACT is only required once for USAV coaches and we offer free IMPACT clinics to all USAV registered coaches in the Florida Region.
- **TEAM FLORIDA HP COACHES WANTED** - Applications will be available online as of Nov 1, 2011 for interested coaches. In 2012 we will take 5 teams to Des Moines, Iowa for the HP Championships!