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TEAM FLORIDA ANNOUNCES 2018 INDOOR HP ALL-STAR ROSTERS

Team Florida Indoor High Performance All-Stars will compete at the USAV High Performance Championships in Tulsa, OK beginning July 24th.

Eustis, FL –June 22, 2018 – The Florida Region of USA Volleyball is proud to announce the 2018 High Performance All-Star rosters! The Team Florida Indoor HP All-Star program allows elite youth and junior volleyball athletes to play for college coaches and represent the Florida Region at an international volleyball tournament each year called the USAV High Performance Championships. The 2018 championship tournament will be held from July 24th - 28th in Tulsa, OK.

Team Florida will consist of four girls' teams and one boy's teams with the top athletes from the Florida Region. From January until March, Team Florida held four Girls' Indoor HP All-Stars tryouts across the state: Daytona Beach, Jacksonville, West Palm Beach and Tampa. The Boys' Indoor HP All-Stars had one tryout, which occurred in Orlando. This season Team Florida is made up of 60 athletes, representing 24 different clubs in the Florida Region.

This year the Florida Region has coaches representing eight different colleges and multiple volleyball clubs from across the Florida Region. The coaching staff has over 60 combined years of Team Florida coaching experience and averages over 13 years of total coaching experience. All returning Team Florida Head Coaches have made it to the medal stand in previous years, with some of the coaches having made multiple medal match appearances.

“We are very much looking forward to taking our teams to the HP Championships in Tulsa, OK,” said **Heather Belden**, Florida Region's Event Manager. “Team Florida athletes and coaches bring a positive energy to the tournament and do a fantastic job representing the Florida Region. As always, it is our goal to see the athletes succeed and take home a medal!”

The Florida Region is thankful for the time and effort everyone (coaches, players, parents, trainers and staff) puts in to make the Team Florida High Performance All-Stars program successful. The region is also grateful for ASICS and Baker's Sports for the continuous support they show Team Florida

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Women International Junior

| Coaches | Athletes |
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| Head Coach Julie Darty - Mississippi State University - | Outside Hitters (OH) Samantha Caglianone (Tampa, FL) - OTVA Shania Cromartie (Tallahassee, FL) - Tallahassee Juniors Volleyball Club Kylee Quigley (Port St Lucie, FL) – NVL Academy Middle Blockers (MB) Destiny Nelson (Vero Beach, FL – NVL Academy) Burgundy Walters (Sanford, FL) – Top Select Volleyball Academy Makayla Washington (Tallahassee, FL) - Tallahassee Juniors Volleyball Club Kate Wonus (Lady Lake, FL) – Ocala Power United Opposites (OPP) Jacqueline St. Cin (Saint Petersburg, FL) – St. Pete Volleyball Club Setters (S) Ivana Marrero (Kissimmee, FL) – OTVA Savannah Vach (Winter Springs, FL) - OTVA Liberos (LIB) Marley Banton (Saint Augustine, FL) – Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association Essence Bell (Ocala, FL) - Ocala Power United |
| 1st Assistant Coach Tony Cothron - Manatee Area Volleyball - | |
| 2nd Assistant Coach Jeff Reavis - Ocala Power United - | |
| Technical Coordinator Jon Wong - Bradley University - | |
| Training Coach Travers Green - Mississippi State | |

Girls International Youth

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| Head Coach Adis Imamovic - JJVA | Outside Hitters (OH) Fabiana Castro (Pembroke Pines, FL) - 305 Volleyball Club Kallista Cors (Saint Petersburg, FL) - St. Pete Volleyball Club Nicole Dorothea (Ocala, FL) - Ocala Power United Jenna McNamara (Orlando, FL) - Lightning Volleyball Academy Middle Blockers (MB) Juliana Lentz (Doral, FL) - Miami Volleyball Academy Khori Louis (Tallahassee, FL) - PSVA Volleyball Academy Fatima Samb (Ponte Vedra, FL) - Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association Opposites (OPP) Luciana Paiva Pereira (Celebration, FL) Setters (S) Laura Caro (Orlando, FL) – OTVA Hope Passerello (Davie, FL) - Wildfire Volleyball Academy Liberos (LIB) Libby Bickelhaupt (Fort Myers, FL) - Florida Gulfside Volleyball Academy Jangelyz Ramirez (Fleming Island, FL) - Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association |
| 1st Assistant Coach Corey Sarubbi - Lynn University | |
| 2nd Assistant Coach Cinthia Angus - Barry University - | |
| Technical Coordinator Semei Tello - OTVA - | |
| Training Coach John Alvarez - Volleyball Players Academy | |

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Girls National Youth

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| <p>Head Coach Amanda Phelps - Lake Sumter State College -</p> <p>1st Assistant Coach Ore Pablos - Lynn University -</p> <p>2nd Assistant Coach Angie Strickland - Tallahassee Juniors Volleyball Club -</p> <p>Training Coach Felipe “Pepa” Ralat - Wildfire Volleyball Academy</p> | <p>Outside Hitters (OH) Taylor Bates (Pompano Beach, FL) - Boomers VBC Emily Diaz (Miami, FL) - Miami Volleyball Academy Alexis Distasio (Windermere, FL) - OTVA Elise Frierson (Tampa, FL) - OTVA</p> <p>Middle Blockers (MB) Chaise Campbell (Saint Petersburg, FL) - St. Pete Volleyball Club Skye Ekes (Sarasota, FL) – OTVA Brianna Jackson (Port St Lucie, FL) - High Tide Volleyball</p> <p>Opposites (OPP) Sophie Fedder (Bradenton, FL) – OTVA Nina Moorer (Lutz, FL) – OTVA</p> <p>Setters (S) Giulia Dias (Pompano Beach, FL) - Ocean Breeze & Ocean Bay Volleyball Autumn Raulerson (Fort Pierce, FL) – NVL Academy</p> <p>Liberos (LIB) Caroline Davis (Orlando, FL) – OTVA</p> |

Girls National Select

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| <p>Head Coach Flavia Siqueira - Lynn University</p> <p>1st Assistant Coach Giovanny Delevry - Marshall University</p> <p>2nd Assistant Coach Daniel Eleutiza - OTVA</p> <p>Training Coach Yamil Del Valle - Florida Gulfside Volleyball Academy</p> | <p>Outside Hitters (OH) Angeles Alderete (Miami Springs, FL) – High Voltage Volleyball Academy Sydney Jackwin (St. Petersburg, FL) – St. Pete Volleyball Club Isabella Mendoza (Doral, FL) – 305 Volleyball Club</p> <p>Middle Blockers (MB) Gabriella Karman (Orlando, FL) – Nona Sports LLC Serena Kohler (North Port, FL) – Jellys Volleyball Zeta Washington (Ponte Vedra, FL) – No Fear Volleyball</p> <p>Opposites (OPP) Kendall McCain (New Port Richey, FL) - OTVA Cambrie Riffe (Ocoee, FL) - OTVA</p> <p>Setters (S) Gabrielle Spankus (Palm Harbor, FL) – Pinellas Heat Elaisa Villar (Hialeah, FL) – High Voltage Volleyball Academy</p> <p>Liberos (LIB) Perla Rosa (Weston, FL) – Wildfire Volleyball Academy Sofia Santamaria (Miami, FL) – Miami Xtreme Volleyball Academy</p> |

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Boys National Youth

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| <p>Head Coach Tom Snodgrass - Orlando Gold VBC</p> <p>1st Assistant Coach Dexter Rogers - OTVA</p> <p>2nd Assistant Coach Roger Peluso - 352 Elite</p> <p>Training Coach Corey Marks - Johnson and Wales University</p> | <p>Outside Hitters (OH) Sarjoun Awar (Winter Springs, FL) – Orlando Gold VBC Nathan Cartier (Orlando, FL) – Top Select Volleyball Academy Jonathan Diedrich (Orlando, FL) – Orlando Gold VBC Omar Hoyos (Pembroke Pines, FL) – MVP Academy</p> <p>Middle Blockers (MB) Logan Green (Orlando, FL) – Top Select Volleyball Academy Connor Feulner (Maitland, FL) – Orlando Gold VBC Trevor Schultz (Saint Augustine, FL) – Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association</p> <p>Opposites (OPP) Jake Vorburger (Saint Johns, FL) – Jacksonville Juniors Volleyball Association Jayden Young (Lake Worth, FL) – Ocean Breeze & Ocean Bay Volleyball</p> <p>Setters (S) Ethan Morales (Orlando, FL) – Top Select Volleyball Academy John Sarnowski (Winter Springs, FL) – Orlando Gold VBC</p> <p>Liberos (LIB) Ryan Lynch (Orlando, FL) – Orlando Gold VBC</p> |

“This is another impressive delegation of all-stars and coaches that will be representing Team Florida,” commented **Steve Bishop**, Executive Director/President of the Florida Region. “Over the past fifteen years that I have been involved with Team Florida, the Florida Region has always had a strong tradition of excellence and regular medal stand appearances. Just last year in Ft. Lauderdale, all six of the Florida Region HP All-Star teams medaled. Four won gold medals along with one winning a silver and one a bronze. Each year I look forward to taking these athletes and coaches to the USAV Indoor HP Championships and providing them with a coed international level tournament experience that is unique to this event. We look forward to another great event in Tulsa where our athletes will make lifelong friendships and memories. Go Team Florida!”

About Florida Region of USA Volleyball:

The Florida Region of USA Volleyball is a 501c3 non-profit that began operations in the 1960’s and was officially incorporated in 1982 to promote the sport of volleyball and to create competitive playing opportunities for volleyball enthusiasts of all ages throughout the State of Florida. The Florida Region is one of the 40 regional volleyball associations under the umbrella of USA Volleyball and currently serves 14,000 members. Indoor and outdoor programming is available for adults, juniors, coaches and officials. The Florida Region of USA Volleyball is headquartered in Eustis, FL and manages the 21-court Hickory Point Beach Sand Volleyball Complex in Tavares, FL. Additional information on the Florida Region can be found at: www.FloridaVolleyball.org.

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