



# THE BADGER BEACON

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Athletes from UW-Milwaukee, left, and UW-Whitewater played on the court while 10 clubs from the Badger Region (background) set up tables for athletes and coaches to visit.



## Region to host second Last Chance Tryout/Clinic

The Badger Region will again host a Last Chance Clinic & Tryout following the high school tryout period.

The Region will host the tryout/clinic from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 17, at the New Berlin SportsPlex. The event will be open to any girl age 15-18.

The Region will invite clubs who are still looking to add athletes to their rosters to the event.

A similar event was held Oct. 9 following the 14-and-under tryout period that was attended by 12 clubs from throughout the state of Wisconsin. Sign up for the upcoming event will open on Monday, Nov.14.

Only athletes who do not have an accepted offer at a club are allowed to be in attendance at the Last Chance Tryout & Clinic.

Athletes who do not get an offer on Nov. 12 or 13 should also add their names to the "[Athletes Looking for Clubs](#)" list on our website. [Click here.](#)

They are also encouraged to look at the list of "[Clubs Looking for Players](#)" on our website. [Click here.](#)

Have questions? Email [brian@badgervolleyball.org](mailto:brian@badgervolleyball.org) or call 414-313-9055.



## Boys open house marks start of season

You know high-school-age tryouts are near when the Badger Region converges on Pius High School in Milwaukee for the annual boys club volleyball open house.

"This event always feels like a homecoming where club directors, coaches, and athletes are all excited about getting together and planning for the upcoming season," said program director Brian Sharkey.

On Tuesday, 10 clubs and the Badger Region welcomed hundreds of athletes, parents and potential members to the event that allowed clubs to display their offerings for the upcoming season.

Visitors also were given the chance to meet Badger Region staff who introduced new individuals to the perks of membership, dates of upcoming competitions and programs such as High Performance, beach opportunities and much more.

Clubs who took part in the event included Spike Milwaukee, Milwaukee Volleyball Club, Motion Volleyball, Milwaukee Sting, Epic VBC,



Club W VBC, Southport VBC, Ozaukee Volleyball Club, Fox Valley Performance and Revolution Volleyball Academy.

Also at the event, the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater men's club volleyball teams played an exhibition match on center court.

Both Milwaukee and Whitewater are part of the Wisconsin Volleyball Conference and are members of the Badger Region.



# Teams compete for state titles

Hundreds of Badger Region athletes and coaches converged on the Resch Center in Green Bay today (Nov. 3) for the start of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association state volleyball tournament for both boys and girls.

Good luck to all of the teams, officials, athletes and admin competing in this always exciting event that wraps up the high school season in Wisconsin.

That means club season is only one week away (Nov. 12) from tryouts for those 15-and-older.

Check out the schedule for all five divisions below.

## Girls Division 1 Quarterfinals - Thursday, Nov. 3

Game-1: #2 Divine Savior Holy Angels vs. #7 Middleton - 1 p.m. Division 1 Quarterfinals

Game-2: #3 Appleton North vs. #6 Kettle Moraine - 1 p.m.

Game-3: #4 Burlington vs. #5 Chippewa Falls - 7 p.m.

Game-4: #1 Oconomowoc vs. #8 Wauwatosa East - 7 p.m.

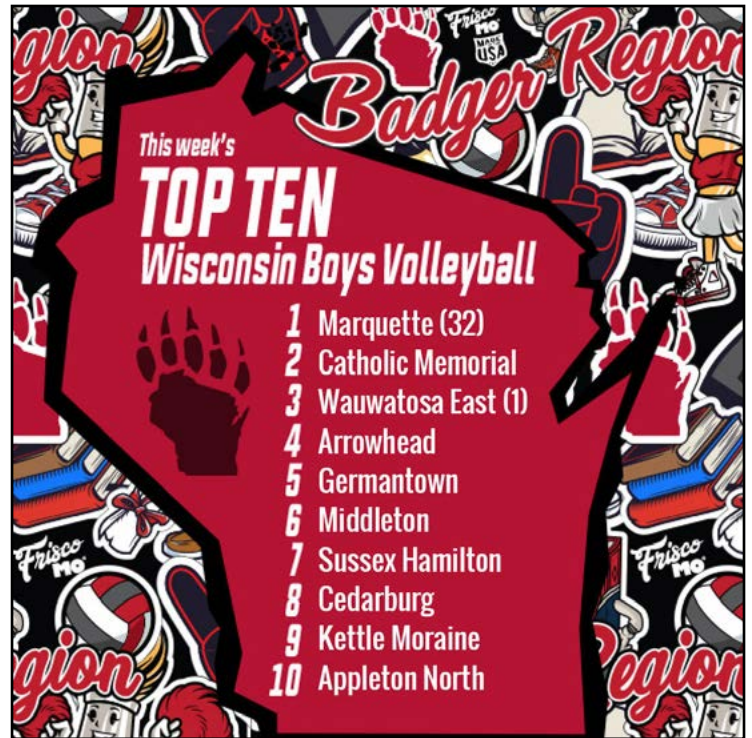
## Semifinals Girls Division 1 - Friday, Nov. 4

Game-5: Winner of Game-1 vs. Winner of Game-2 - 7:30 p.m.

Game-6: Winner of Game-3 vs. Winner of Game-4 - 7:30 p.m.

## Girls Division 1 Championship - Saturday, Nov. 5

Game-7: Winner of Game-5 vs. Winner of Game-6 - 7:30 p.m.



## Boys Quarterfinals - Thursday, Nov. 3

Game-1: #2 Arrowhead vs. #7 Union Grove - 10 a.m.

Game-2: #3 Wauwatosa East vs. #6 Appleton North - 10 a.m.

Game-3: #4 Catholic Memorial vs. #5 Middleton - 4 p.m.

Game-4: #1 Marquette vs. #8 Franklin - 4 p.m.

## Boys Semifinals - Friday, Nov. 4

Game-5: Winner of Game-1 vs. Winner of Game-2 - 5 p.m.

Game-6: Winner of Game-3 vs. Winner of Game-4 - 5 p.m.

## Boys Championship - Saturday, Nov. 5

Game-7: Winner of Game-5 vs. Winner of Game-6 - 5 p.m.

## Girls Division 2 Semifinals - Friday, Nov. 4

Game-1: #2 Sauk Prairie vs. #3 Wisconsin Lutheran - 2 p.m.

Game-2: #1 Xavier vs. #4 Bloomer - 2 p.m.

## Girls Division 2 Championship - Saturday, Nov. 5

Game-3: Winner of Game-1 vs. Winner of Game-2 - 2:30 p.m.

## Girls Division 3 Semifinals - Friday, Nov. 4

Game-1: #2 St. Croix Falls vs. #3 Randolph - 11:30 a.m.

Game-2: #1 Howards Grove vs. #4 Wittenberg-Birnamwood - 11:30 a.m.

## Girls Division 3 Championship - Saturday, Nov. 5

Game-3: Winner of Game-1 vs. Winner of Game-2 - 11:30 a.m.

## Girls Division 4 Semifinals - Friday, Nov. 4

Game-1: #2 Athens vs. #3 Monticello - 9 a.m.

Game-2: #1 McDonell Central Catholic vs. #4 Wonewoc-Center - 9 a.m.

## Girls Division 4 Championship - Saturday, Nov. 5

Game-3: Winner of Game-1 vs. Winner of Game-2 - 9 a.m.



# Feeder teams win awards at final weekend of BRYFVL

The Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League came to a close on Saturday, Oct. 23, at the New Berlin SportsPlex.

The league featured dozens of high school feeder teams made up of middle school athletes from throughout southeast Wisconsin and extending as far north as Appleton.

The league, which was established in 2019, handed out awards for first, second and third place in the 8th

grade girls division, 7th grade girls divisions, 7th/8th grade boys division and a 5th/6th grade combined boys and girls division.

All athletes and coaches are members of the Badger Region and all adults have SafeSport training, IMPACT certification and background screenings.

Interested in adding our high school's feeder team in the six-week league next year? Contact Program Specialist Sara Voigt at [sara@badgervolleyball.org](mailto:sara@badgervolleyball.org).



8th grade first place: Muskego



8th grade second place: Oak Creek



8th grade third place: Kenosha Indian Trail



7th grade first place: Westosha Central



7th grade second place: Waterloo



7th grade third place: Muskego



7th/8th grade first place: Marquette 8-Red



7th/8th grade second place: Marquette 8-White



7th/8th grade third place: Marquette 7-Blue



5th/6th grade first place: Marquette 6-Boys



5th/6th grade second place: Muskego



5th/6th grade third: Westosha Central



# Volleyball exchange students seeking host families

Moriah Davis  
Council on International  
Educational Exchange

My name is Moriah Davis, and I am the Wisconsin Regional Manager for CIEE, Council on International Educational Exchange, working with high school exchange students all across Wisconsin. We have a handful of exchange students that are coming to the area in January and we are seeking host families to open up their home and be a part of the cultural exchange!

Some of these students in particular have an interest in volleyball so it would be wonderful if they could be hosted by and connect with another family in the community that also enjoys their interests. They would love to watch a host sibling in a volleyball game or practice their hitting skills on the weekend! WE find the greatest success is when a host family and exchange student have shared interests.

Exchange students arrive beginning of January for the 2nd semester of high school. They have a high level of English and come with their own health insurance as well as spending money to cover personal expenses (school fees, club fees, etc.) A host family simply welcomes them as one of their own children, provides them with a bed and 3 meals a day, and enjoys the experience of learning about the student's culture while also sharing in their own family, Two Rivers community, and American culture. I am hoping to connect them with a family in the next couple of weeks.

As the volleyball club coach, would you be willing to pass along this information about the opportunity to host with athletes and families who participate in volleyball at all levels? .

We can offer your volleyball club \$200 to use towards anything the team needs as thank you for referring a family that ends up hosting!



## Meet some of the students

### Luisa, 17, Brazil

"I am an extroverted, emotional, caring, companionable, responsible and positive girl, but as nobody is perfect I also have some flaws like being proud and sometimes messy. I am the youngest in a family of 3 children and I was born after 15 years. When I have free time I like to play sports, listen to music and hang out with my friends and family. In my program I would like to participate in a volleyball or soccer club, which are the two sports that I practice the most in Brazil but I can participate in any other as well. For my future I intend to exercise some profession related to health, my first option is medicine but I still have doubts."

### Daniela, 18, Italy

"Hello I am Daniela I am a very sunny girl I like to make people feel good, I love to meet new people and I am very chatty. I'm touchy, very sensitive and stubborn. I am a very sporty girl I practiced many sports my favorite and was figure skating I practiced it for 10 years then for an injury I had to stop.

"I then practiced swimming, dance, karate and volleyball that also the sport that I practice now and I would like to be part of a

team there in America when I come.

"In my free time I like to read and write, listen to music, watch movies and I love to cook. I honestly don't know what I want from the future but I know what I want now and I hope to make you proud because I wish this experience is not only beautiful for me, but also for you"

### Antonia, 15, Germany

"I am a humorous and open-minded person. I am enterprising and love being around with my friends as well as meeting new people. I like spending my free time with friends or family, especially with my older sister but I also enjoy being on my own and reading a book or listening to music. I take piano lessons and play volleyball in a club. While on my program, I would like to join sport clubs like volleyball or cheerleading or try to do something with music. I have a dog and I like pets in general, maybe except very exotic ones. As I also do some cooking or baking at home, I would love to cook and make some German food for my host family."

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Reach out to me directly at [Mdavis@ciee.org](mailto:Mdavis@ciee.org) with any questions!

## Badger Region coach/club director wins AVCA Diversity Award



The American Volleyball Coaches Association's Diversity Development Team has announced the 2022 recipients of its Diversity Awards which include one Badger Region coach and club director.

Adrian Lynch with Reinas De La Cancha VBC was one of the 18 award winners. Lynch is also a physical education teacher at Blessed Savior Catholic School

The coach development program, which originated in 2015, will bring the up-and-coming volleyball leaders to the 2022 AVCA Convention.

During this year's event, recipients will participate in a series of

educational seminars—many of which focus on professional and personal development for coaches—and take part in additional relationship-building experiences during the Convention.

"It is exciting that our award recipients will have the opportunity to join the volleyball community in Omaha this December to learn from all the great coaches and practitioners in attendance," said Nickie Sanlin, McKendree University head men's and women's volleyball coach and chair of the AVCA Diversity Development Team. "We are grateful for the contributions of many generous supporters—from universities and industry partners to individual coaches—who continue to assist with our efforts to advance the sport of volleyball."

## USAV launches Coach Academy

USA Volleyball has announced the launch of the USA Volleyball Coach Academy, an online, interactive learning platform for volleyball coaches.

The launch of the new platform comes on the first day of the 2022-2023 membership season and offers clubs and coaches new tools as they prepare for the season.

USA Volleyball Coach Academy was developed to give coaches the skills, knowledge and resources to be successful on and off the court. Each month, high-quality content will be added from top volleyball coaches, experts and educators including the coaches of the U.S. National Teams.

The curriculum for Coach Academy is based on USA Volleyball Education's newly established USA Volleyball Development Model. It includes five pillars that provide the basis for a holistic approach to coaching volleyball. The five pillars are Craft, Mind, Body, Heart and Team, shaping coursework that includes topics such as nutrition, recovery, team culture and mental health along with more traditional skill and strategy-oriented topics.

"As we worked to create a common language for athletes and coaches, we created the USA Volleyball Development Model to cover the five pillars," USA Volleyball NTDP (National Team Development Program) Director Erin Virtue said. "Not only is this holistic approach important for our developing athletes, but it is also critical for those who support

our athletes."

"We are excited to launch the new USA Volleyball Coach Academy," Director of Education Services Dave McCann said. "It has been great working with our regions, clubs, coaches and USA Volleyball staff to develop one of the most innovative and engaging coach education programs in the country."

Coursework is available for all levels of experience, so novice coaches can build a solid foundation and experienced coaches can access world-class strategies and tactics. The Gold level allows coaches to access live virtual sessions. These sessions let coaches connect, ask questions and dig into advanced topics with top volleyball experts. The first two live sessions will be completely free.

Monthly and annual subscription plans are available to fit every budget, starting as low as \$5 per month. As a benefit of USA Volleyball membership, all member coaches get free, unlimited access to Bronze, a 50-percent discount on access to Silver, and a 33-percent discount on Gold subscriptions.

Coaches must be active members of USA Volleyball for 2022-2023 to take advantage of discounts. Contact your Region today to become a member and get access to USA Volleyball Coach Academy.

More information is available at [go.usav.org/coachacademy](https://go.usav.org/coachacademy).



**USA Volleyball**

## GJNC heads to Las Vegas in 2024 for G14s-17s

USA Volleyball has selected the Mandalay Bay Convention Center at Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino in Las Vegas to host the 2024 Girls Junior National Championship (GJNC) for the 14-17 age divisions.

The tournament will take place July 3-11. Mandalay Bays sits at the south end of the Las Vegas strip, minutes away from Harry Reid International Airport.

USA Volleyball is splitting the Girls Junior National Championship beginning in 2023 and having one tournament for the 11-13 age divisions and one for 14-17. This creates more competitive opportunities for athletes and clubs and increases the number of venues that can host.

The GJNC is the United States' premier junior girls club tournament and attracts college scouts from across the country. There are now seven competitive divisions for each age group in the 14-17 divisions, and the 2024 tournament is expected to draw more than 1,200 teams.



# Keep up to date on all things volleyball via the many channels of the Badger Region



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**Twitter:** @BadgerRegionVB



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**Instagram:** @BadgerRegionVB



**YouTube:** /Badger RegionVolleyball

# WHY BADGER REGION?

## A RUNDOWN OF BENEFITS FOR BADGER REGION PARTICIPANTS

### ATHLETE PERKS

\* Ability to participate in the Badger Region Championships, Badger Region Qualifier, Badger Region Power League, Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League, Badger Boys Series, Dale Rohde Memorial Tournament

\* Ability to participate in youth clinics, beach events, grass tournaments, etc.



\* Participate in USA Volleyball's National Qualifiers, Bid Tournaments and National Championships

\* Represent Badger Region through the National Team Development Program

\* Represent Badger Region at the USA All-Star Championships

\* Eligible for Badger Region / Frisco Mo Scholarships

- \* Communication via the Badger Beacon newsletter
- \* Free NTDP Academy access for athlete training
- \* Free memberships for athletes 8-and-under
- \* Player/club matching assistance at the start of the season
- \* Directory of summer volleyball camp opportunities
- \* Badger Region / AVCA Recruiting Tips of the Week, webinars
- \* Chance to be on the Badger Region / Frisco Mo Watchlists



### CLUB PERKS

\* Policies and procedures for all clubs to be consistent

\* Guidelines and handbooks for running tournaments

\* Mentoring, training for club directors

\* 24/7 service and help before, during and after your season

\* Templates for club, parent handbooks and tryouts/club acceptance forms

\* Personalized feedback to uniform and jersey questions

\* Partnerships with sponsors such as Molten, Sports Imports, Art of Coaching, AVCA and others

\* Advocacy at the National level

### ATHLETE-SAFETY PROTOCOLS

#### SAFESPORT TRAINING

The safety of its participants is of paramount importance to USA Volleyball. Badger Region and USA Volleyball have a **ZERO TOLERANCE** for abuse and misconduct. This includes not only on-court safety, but also off-court safety in any part of USA Volleyball's programs.



USA Volleyball is committed to creating safe and fun environments for youth. This includes, but is not limited to, providing training, educational materials and resources for our regions, clubs, coaches and parents. ([Click for details](#))

#### BACKGROUND SCREENINGS

All adult staff members require a full background screening that includes the following:

- \* Social Security Number validation;
- \* Name and address history records;
- \* Two independent Multi-Jurisdictional Criminal Database searches covering 50 states plus DC, Guam, and Puerto Rico;
- \* Federal District Courts search for each name used and district where the individual currently lives or has lived during the past seven years, going back the length of time records are available and reportable;
- \* County Criminal Records for each name used and county where the individual currently lives or has lived during the past seven years, going back the length of time records are available and reportable for each county searched;
- \* National Sex Offender Registry database search of all available states, plus DC, Guam, and Puerto Rico;
- \* Multiple National Watch Lists;
- \* SafeSport Disciplinary Records;
- \* Comprehensive International Records search for U.S. citizens who have lived outside of the United States for six consecutive months in any one country, during the past seven years;
- \* Motor Vehicle Records of at least a 3-year history in the state of licensure; (if driving is required for position).

### COACH PERKS

- \* IMPACT certification
- \* Coaches Coaching Coaches opportunities
- \* High Performance coaching opportunities
- \* Coaching vacancies list
- \* Art of Coaching Volleyball membership (limited number available)
- \* Badger Region / AVCA Coaching Tips of the Week
- \* Eligible for Badger Region / AVCA awards

### REFEREE PERKS

\* Training opportunities exist in the classroom, scrimmages, Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League, Badger Boys Series etc.

\* Mentoring and advancement opportunities throughout the year

\* Dedicated full-time staff dedicated to assigning, training, recruiting and working with officials in the Badger Region office

\* Communication via the Badger Region Ref Bulletin

\* Once certified, officials can earn \$30 (or more per match)



\* At Badger Region hosted events, rates are as follows:  
\* Provisional: \$30/match

\* Regional: \$32/match

\* Junior National: \$34/match

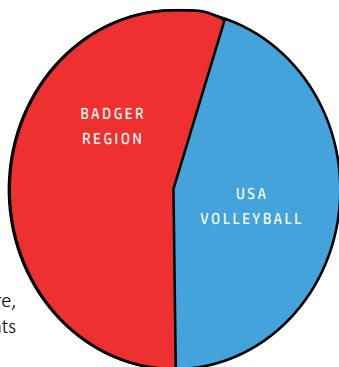
\* National: \$35/match

### MEMBERSHIP COSTS BREAKDOWN

\$30 of the full \$55 membership stays in the Badger Region to pay for coaching education, officials education, youth clinics, grants, scholarships, equipment, programs, services



(Sports Engine, rostering, eligibility), tournaments, clinics, High Performance, region infrastructure, staff and supplies for Region events and much more.



\$25 of the full \$55 membership goes to the USA Volleyball National office to pay for sport accident and liability insurance, training materials created for the purpose of national coaching/officiating, national database and membership services (Sports Engine) and National Office staff and office needs.





# USA Volleyball age-definition chart

	18 & Under <sup>1</sup>	18 & Under <sup>2</sup>	17 & Under	16 & Under	15 & Under <sup>3</sup>	14 & Under <sup>4</sup>	13 & Under <sup>5</sup>	12 & Under	11 & Under	10 & Under	9 & Under	8 & Under
July	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Aug	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Sept	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Oct	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Nov	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Dec	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Jan	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Feb	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Mar	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Apr	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
May	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
June	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015

<sup>1</sup> Players who were born on or after July 1, 2003 and a high school student in the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade or below during some part of the current academic year are eligible to compete in 18 & under.

<sup>2</sup> **Female Only** - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2004, (who are defined as 18 & under by the USAV Age Definition) and are in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade for the current academic year are waived to compete in 17 & under. (This age waiver is based on rescheduling concerns for 11<sup>th</sup> grade girls previously required to participate in girls 18's qualifiers and the 18's GINCC.)

<sup>3</sup> **Male Only** - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2008 (or players who were born on or after July 1, 2007 [15 years or younger] who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) grade during the current academic year are eligible to play in the 14 & Under division. This exception is based on the net height difference of 7'4 1/8" to 7'11 5/8" between the 14 and Under Division to the 15 and Under Division.

<sup>4</sup> **Male Only** - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2008 (14 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the seventh grade (7<sup>th</sup>) during the current academic year are eligible for a Region approved waiver to compete in the boys 11's age group.

<sup>5</sup> **Male Only** - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2009 (13 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the sixth grade (6<sup>th</sup>) during the current academic year are eligible for a Region approved waiver to compete in the boys 12's age group.



# BADGER REGION

## HIGH PERFORMANCE SHINES IN TULSA



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# Tips for athletes and families for tryouts

Use this checklist to make sure you have all your ducks in a row as it pertains to things such as memberships, tryouts and more.

## Memberships

The first step to tryouts is making sure you have a current Badger Region membership. Only a tryout membership or full membership are accepted for tryouts. Tryout memberships can be upgraded to the full membership after an athlete receives an offer from a club. For a link to junior membership options, [click here](#). As a heads up, parents must create a free profile and then purchase the junior membership in their athlete's name.

## Age definitions

If you have any questions about what age your son or daughter should be trying out for, use the



USAV Age Definition calendar. [Click here](#).

## Refunds

The Badger Region does not offer refunds on memberships. Please make sure to purchase the correct membership for yourself,

your son or your daughter before clicking "buy." Information on a member's profile cannot be transferred to another member if a wrong purchase is made. That includes situations where mom buys a membership for herself, but meant to buy it for her son or daughter.

## Membership Cards

Users will receive an email confirmation when they purchase a Badger Region/USA Volleyball membership. On that email is a copy of your member card that you can print. It also includes a QR code that takes you to your profile in Sports Engine. You can also add your member card to your Apple Wallet. For details on how to access your member card, [click here](#). For details on finding your member ID number, [click here](#).

## Post-tryouts

Clubs will send electronic offers to athletes via Sports Engine in the form of a "club assignment request." Please make sure to share the correct email address tied to the profile of the athlete so the club knows where to send the offer. Also, keep an eye out for such emails in your spam/junk email folders.

## Players seeking clubs

If you do not receive an offer from a club, you can submit your name to our list that helps pair clubs and athletes. For a link, [click here](#). The Badger Region also manages a page for clubs seeking athletes. [Click here](#).

Have questions on anything tryout related? Email membership@badgervolleyball.org.

## 10 musts at every tryout

1. Show up early. Give yourself plenty of time to go through the check-in lines, get your tryout t-shirt and warmup on your own.
2. Show a lot of hustle. If that means shagging a volleyball or bringing it in for a team huddle, never be least.
3. Keep your eyes open and your ears tuned in to anyone giving instruction. Evaluators want to see you engaged and absorbing instructions that are being given by the coaching staff.
4. Be coachable. If a coach asks you try something, gift it your all. Don't give him or her an excuse as to why you can't do it or say, "That's not what I was told before."
5. Be vocal. Coaches want to hear you call the ball, identify hitters and do all the little things while also being a great teammate.
6. Cheer for your teammates more than you celebrate your own success. Showing that you care for the team's success more than your own will really catch the coaches' eye.
7. Shake it off. If you let a bad serve, set, pass or swing remain with you, coaches will notice. Just get ready to move on to the next play.
8. Ask questions. If you don't understand a drill or want to clarify what you heard, do it. Don't be afraid to speak up.
9. Be a leader. Have an open court? Get a game going without being told to do so. Nobody stepping in to be a middle? Just go for it even if you're nervous.
10. Believe in yourself. Be your own advocate and do what is best for you.

Good luck in tryouts!

## What NOT to do at tryouts

1. Don't give your setter a hard time. Got blocked? Hit out? Shake it off and move on without placing blame.
2. Don't bring your cell phone into the gym. Coaches don't want to see you texting when you should be concentrating on volleyball.
3. Don't form cliques. Be sure to rotate who your partner is for drills and invite new people into your group.
4. Don't ever quit on a ball, even if you know it's unlikely that you'll get to it. Even in pepper! Coaches want players who give their all on every ball.
5. Don't talk when the coach is talking. It's disrespectful and sends a bad message to the coach.
6. Don't do anything halfway. Lazy footwork on free balls, not covering the hitter, walking to shag balls, etc. Give your all whenever you're in the gym.
7. Don't pay attention to your parents on the sidelines. No conversations or gestures. Coaches want to focus on the player, not the parent.
8. Don't carry a mistake with you into the next play. A coach can tell by your body language if you're not over being blocked on the previous point.
9. Don't be resistant to stepping into another position, even if it's not the one you're trying out for. Coaches want players who can adjust and are willing to be versatile.
10. Don't give off a negative vibe. Look like you're having fun playing the game. Smile, be upbeat, support your teammates, and enjoy yourself. Coaches like players who bring positive energy to the court.

Bonus: Don't show up for a tryout wearing a t-shirt from different club.

Source: Art of Coaching Volleyball



# 2023: Nationals here we go!

## GIRLS 18S



**USAVolleyball**

### Girls Junior Nationals

April 28-30  
Columbus, Ohio

2024: Baltimore, Maryland

## ADULTS



**USAVolleyball**

### Open National Championships

May 26-31  
Dallas, Texas

2024: Columbus, Ohio

## GIRLS



**USAVolleyball**

### Girls Junior Nationals

G11-13s: June 14-17  
Minneapolis, Mn.  
G14-17s: June 28-July 6  
Chicago, Ill.

2024: 11-13s: Dallas  
2024: 14s-17s: Las Vegas

## BOYS



**USAVolleyball**

### Boys Junior Nationals

June 29-July 6  
Salt Lake City, Utah

2024: Dallas, Texas  
2025: Minneapolis



### USA All-Star Championships

July 19-23  
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

2024: TBA

Dates and locations for a majority of the 2023 and 2024 Boys Bid Tournaments and Girls National Qualifiers can also be found on the events page at [www.usavolleyball.org](http://www.usavolleyball.org).

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# REFEREES WANTED

## REWARDS:

TRAINING OFFERED  
GOOD COMPENSATION  
FLEXIBLE SCHEDULES

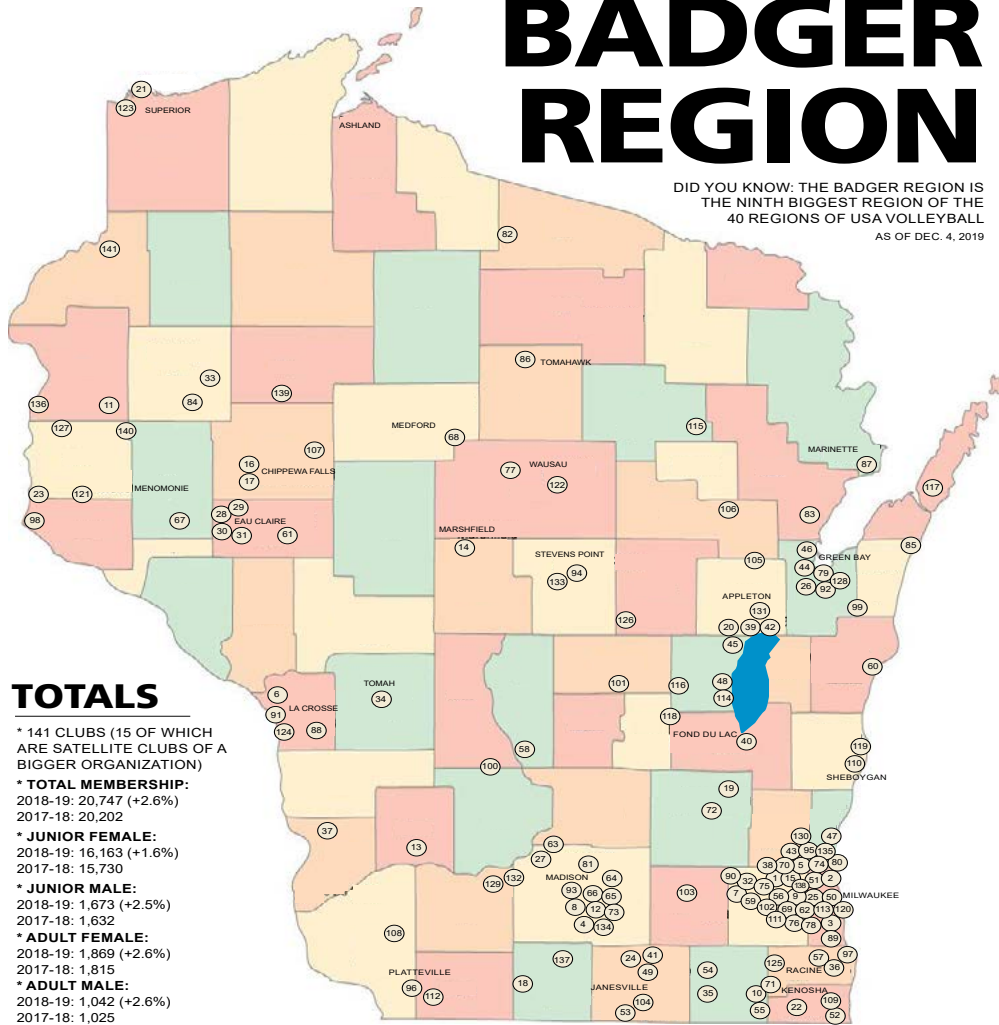


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# BADGER REGION

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## TOTALS

- \* 141 CLUBS (15 OF WHICH ARE SATELLITE CLUBS OF A BIGGER ORGANIZATION)
- \* **TOTAL MEMBERSHIP:**  
2018-19: 20,747 (+2.6%)  
2017-18: 20,202
- \* **JUNIOR FEMALE:**  
2018-19: 16,163 (+1.6%)  
2017-18: 15,730
- \* **JUNIOR MALE:**  
2018-19: 1,673 (+2.5%)  
2017-18: 1,632
- \* **ADULT FEMALE:**  
2018-19: 1,869 (+2.6%)  
2017-18: 1,815
- \* **ADULT MALE:**  
2018-19: 1,042 (+2.6%)  
2017-18: 1,025

FOR LINKS TO ALL CLUBS, VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG](http://WWW.BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG)

## Get your jersey questions answered

The Badger Region Volleyball Association wants to make sure your team's jerseys are compliant with all rule sets and changes that have gone into effect starting in the 2020-21 season regarding uniforms.

To do so, the Region's Ref Chair is encouraging club directors or coaches to upload images to this link (below) if there is any concern that numbers are not contrasting enough with the dominant color of the jersey or if a jersey is not contrasting for libero purposes.

**UPLOAD HERE:** <http://badger-volleyball.org/jerseys/>

Reminder: All numbers must clearly contrast with the color of the jersey, regardless of the color of the outline of the number.

Have questions? Email [badgerref-chair@yahoo.com](mailto:badgerref-chair@yahoo.com).

## Buy through Amazon Smile and support Badger Region

Do you shop on Amazon? Do you want to support the growth of volleyball in the state of Wisconsin?

Then you need to make your purchases on the popular online shopping website via the Badger Region Charity Link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1802573>

When you purchase through the link listed above, a percent of your purchase comes back to the Badger Region Volleyball Association each month.



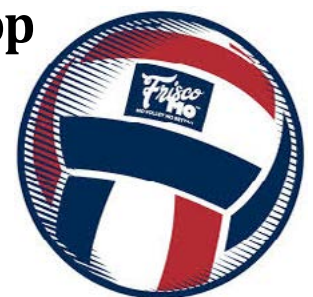
## Badger Region, Frisco Mo partner for unique Wisconsin-themed volleyball shop

How do I get fun, Badger Region apparel all year round? Now you can thanks to a recent partnership between the Badger Region and Frisco Mo.

The online-only shop offers everything from pillows and posters to stickers and mugs to the more traditional hoodies and t-shirts.

A permanent link to the store now sits on [www.badgervolleyball.org](http://www.badgervolleyball.org).

A portion of the proceeds benefits future Badger Region programming in the state of Wisconsin. For a link to the shop, click here.





# How is the Badger Region Board structured?

The Badger Region Volleyball Association is governed by a Board of Directors that must be elected by members on a regular basis. Area reps serve three-year terms, while members of the executive board serve four-year terms.

Members, whether they are players, coaches, parents, directors, athletic trainers or officials, are encouraged to communicate with their respective representative if they

think policies or financial decision in the Region need to be changed.

Some policies enforced by Badger Region come from USA Volleyball, our sport's national governing body, so those can't be changed. But many others can.

The Board is advised by a 11 chairpersons (or experts) in various parts of the game, and five staff members (some of which have multiple responsibilities).

The state is divided into five parts geographically for representation. Plus, there are two at-large board members who you can approach if you don't feel comfortable with your current rep. And there is a rep dedicated just to issues that surround our Junior volleyball clubs and athletes.

You'll be hearing from each Board member twice a year in the form of a column in the Badger Beacon. Now, let's meet them:

**Jim Momsen**  
(President)  
Elected in 2020  
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**Scott Blackmon**  
(Vice President)  
Elected in 2019  
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**Beau Rath**  
(Treasurer)  
Appointed in 2022  
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**Kim Wudi**  
(Secretary)  
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**Breit Nelson**  
(Northwest Rep)  
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**Mark Rushton**  
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**Holly Jablonowski**  
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Email: hvogelsang15@gmail.com

**Curtis Madson**  
(Metro Milwaukee Rep)  
Elected in 2020  
Email: Curtis.Madson@cuw.edu

**Susan Peterson**  
(At-Large Rep)  
Elected in 2020  
Email: susanpeterson2005@gmail.com

**Josh Price**  
(At-Large Rep)  
Elected in 2021  
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**Brian Rushmer**  
(Junior Rep)  
Elected in 2022  
Email: brushmer@gmail.com

**Angie Lubach**  
(Independent Rep)  
Appointed in 2015  
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Individual chairs and advisors who offer input to the Board of Directors but don't have authority to vote at meetings:

Grassroots Chair: Alexis Middleton  
Officials Rating/Training: Teague Prichard  
Scorer Rating/Training: Lexi Sheldon  
Junior Girls Chair: Braeden Melton  
Junior Boys Chair: Mike Stevens  
Adult Chair: TJ Abshire  
Past President: Julie Voeck

**REGION STAFF**

Executive Director/Commissioner: Jennifer Armson-Dyer  
Program Director: Brian Sharkey  
Operations Manager: Scott Spiess  
Tournament Director: Kelly Lehman  
Program Specialist: Sara Voigt

Elections for the Badger Region Board of Directors occur. Nominations take place in April and the election is for adult members May 1-10.

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The Badger Region Volleyball Association promotes initiatives for safe, structured and fun life-long volleyball experiences!

If you (or you or your organization) would like to advertise in a future Badger Beacon, contact Brian Sharkey at the phone number or email address above.

More online:

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## Badger Region Volleyball Association

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Nov. 3-5:** WIAA State Volleyball Tournament at the Resch Center in Green Bay

**Nov. 12:** Badger Region tryouts for athletes (boys and girls) who are 15-and-older

**Nov. 13:** In-person Badger Region officials meeting at the QRG office located at 2855 S. Calhoun Road, New Berlin from 1 to 3 p.m.

**Nov. 20:** Virtual Badger Region official meeting at 1 p.m.

**Dec. 11:** Badger Region / National Team Development Program Accelerator at the Milwaukee Sting for boys 15-18 (invitation from USA Volleyball required).

**Dec. 11:** Virtual Badger Region official meeting at 1 p.m.



**Dec. 14-17:** AVCA Convention in conjunction with the NCAA women's Final Four in Omaha, Neb.

**Nov. 20:** Virtual Badger Region official meeting at 1 p.m.

**March 11-12:** Badger Region Championships Weekend No. 1 at the Wisconsin Center in downtown Milwaukee

**March 18-19:** Badger Region Championships Weekend No. 2 at the Wisconsin Center in downtown Milwaukee

**March 25-26:** Badger Region Championships Weekend No. 3 at the Wisconsin Center in downtown Milwaukee

**April 28-30:** Girls 18-and-under Junior National Championships in Columbus, Ohio, hosted by USA Volleyball at the Greater Columbus Convention Center

**May 26-31:** Adult Open National Championships in Dallas, Texas, hosted by USA Volleyball at the Kay Bailey Hutchinson Convention Center

**June 14-17:** Girls 11-13s Junior National Championships hosted by USA Volleyball in Minneapolis, Minn., at the Minneapolis Convention Center

**June 28-July 6:** Girls 14-17s Junior National Championships hosted by USA Volleyball in Chicago, Ill., at McCormick Place

**June 29-July 6:** Boys Junior National Championships hosted by USA Volleyball in Salt Lake City, Utah, at the Calvin L. Rampton Salt Palace

**July 20-23:** USA All-Star Championships in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

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