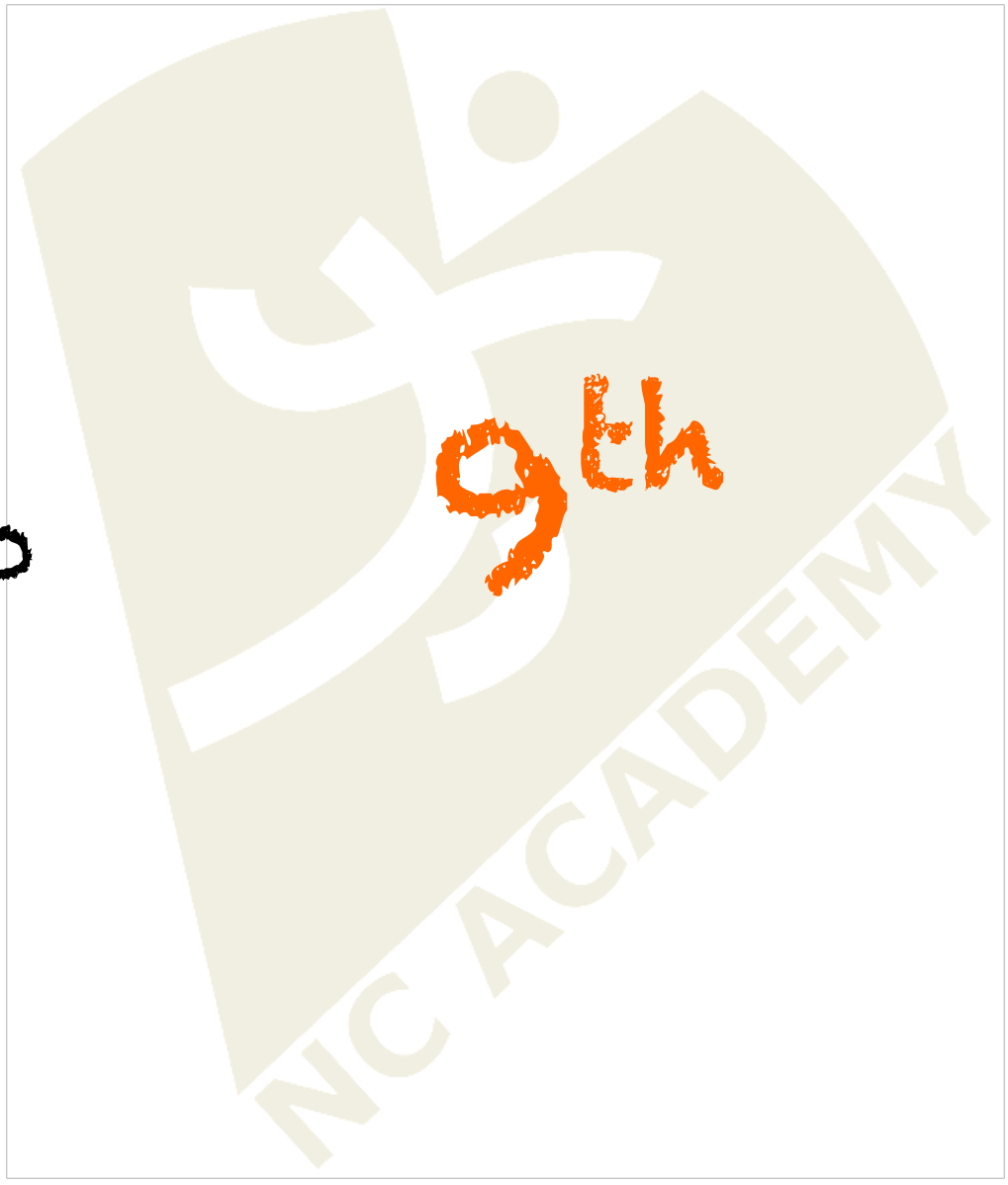

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Welcome to North Carolina Volleyball Academy

Academy is entering its 9th season after 8-seasons of great success. With its short history, Academy has become one of the largest and most competitive volleyball clubs in the Region. Academy's world-class coaching team, unique Academy-teaching model and family-friendly environment differentiate itself from other clubs in the Region and nationwide. Led by Coach Li, an Olympic/national coach, Coach Bunn, who has 20-year D1 experience, Academy's coaching team is proudly presented as the BEST in the nation. Healthy club culture of openness, diversity and honesty nurture all aspects of growth/development for student athletes and coaching staff.

In 2017, Academy moves to its own 9-court premium facility, which is THE largest dedicated volleyball gym in the Region. It is centrally located, fully conditioned, and fully equipped for training, where families are able to enjoy volleyball experiences of their young athletes.

To learn and experience more about Academy, we highly recommend you,

1. Attend one of Info/Parents Sessions
2. Visit and read the Tryouts section on our website
3. Attend at least one of our Open Gyms
4. Register for tryouts, come and experience the difference of Academy!

This Team Guide will help you learn more about our club program. We strive to use plain, easy-to-understand, less marketing language, providing you major details you need to know while keeping short reading length.

Comprehensive Training Program

Training quality is the #1 element distinguishing Academy from other clubs. We offer comprehensive and consistent training program, which is well designed by our top coaches. Our age/level appropriate training approach ensures the student-athletes gain the most benefits out of the training they receive during the limited period.

Team Practice: Teams practice 2-3 times a week depending on age/level of the team (see Team Guide for details).

Competition Practice: For top teams (most Diamond/Crystal), competition practices are scheduled on Sundays 2-4P(see Calendar for details) to provide more game-like scrimmages to increase the teams competitive edge, and optimize team strategies and rotations.

Position Training: These are included in the team practices and mandatory for top teams.

Position Clinics: These clinics are included for all non-national teams (including 13 Diamond/Crystal) on Sundays 4-6P(see Calendar for details).

Academy Game Day: Club scrimmages help our teams develop the competitiveness for the upcoming events.

Educational Sessions: Academy offers education sessions including college recruiting, heath seminars, referee clinics, injury prevention workshops, etc. to help players in their athletic performance(see Calendar for details).

Optional Training Options:

Power Jump: Designed to help players improve vertical explosiveness, agility, balance, conditioning and overall strength(registration required).

Holiday Camps: Offered during holidays when teams do not practice but players still look for developing skills.

Private Lessons: Academy coaches offer private or small-group lessons upon the requests.

Academy Travel Policy

Academy understands the balance between competitiveness and family-support of junior sports. We offer two travel options depending the age and level of the teams, which are more family friendly than other clubs in the area.

Option 1: Family-Travel: players travel and stay with their families. Eligible teams: All 12-14's teams plus 15s/16s/17s regional plus teams including 15 Pearl/15 Ruby/15 Sapphire/16 Pearl/16 Ruby/16 Sapphire, and 17 Jade

Option 2: Team-Travel: players travel and stay with their teams. Travel costs (transportations & hotel rooms) are included for some events (see Team Guides for details). Eligible teams: All 15-18's national teams.

Uniform & Academy Shop

In order to help families reduce the season-to-season uniform costs, we minimize the changes we have to make every season and offer uniform packages that right meet their practice/competition needs.

1. New players will purchase uniform package that includes Academy branded items.
2. Returning players have the privilege to keep the same jersey numbers so they do not have to buy new jerseys.
3. Returning players MUST have all package items, which can be ordered independently.
4. Onsite shop offers Academy logo brands such as Mizuno, Under Armour, and accepts cash, and credit cards.

Payment Schedule

Team dues are paid in either 2 or 3 standard installations, varying by team. Please check your Team Guide or your online account for details. Requests for special payment schedule will be evaluated and approved by club director.

Academy 17 Diamond - National

USAV Age Definition: 17 & Under, born on or after 9/1,2001

Coaches:	Bryan Bunn/Fiona Barkley	
Max of Players: 12	10-11 Full Players	Plus 1-2 Practice Players @ $1,600
Team Practices:	T/Th 5-7P; Su 2-4P(Per Academy Calendar)	
Team Dues:	$8,500 (*Per Payment Plan*)	
Uniform Package:	New Players: $360 (Due by 11/11/2018)	
	☑3 Jerseys(Black/White/Blue) ☑1 Spandex ☑Warm-up Set ☑ 2 Tees ☑Team Bag ☑CoverUp Shorts	
	Returning Player: MUST have all package items, can be ordered separately	

Tournaments

Date	Event	Location
December		
16	Academy Game Day	Academy
January		
19-21	City of Oaks Challenge	Raleigh
26-27	MAPL	Hampton, VA
February		
23-24	Beast of the Southeast	Atlanta
March		
2-3	MAPL	Raleigh
15-17	Sunshine Volleyball Classic(Qualifier)	Orlando
April		
6-8	Big South	Atlanta
19-21	Northeast Qualifier	Philadelphia
May		
25-27	South Atlantic Championships	Richmond
June		
9	Academy Game Day	Academy
21-24	AAU National	Orlando
6/27-7/6 or	USAV Junior Nationals(Requires qualification)	Indianapolis

* All Regional Events site are determined by Carolina Region. Please check Region's website for locations.
* Tournament division selection is at Academy's discretion.
* Academy reserves the right to make schedule changes.
* School absences might occur for travel tournaments, especially for 3-day events. Upon request, Absence Letter will be provided.
* All MAPL events are acceptance-based, the final acceptances are made by the hosting committee.

Team Dues:	Mainly include gym/equipment costs, coaches' pay/expenses, all tournament entries, club events, all admin costs, travel costs; etc. USAV membership fees are paid by players prior to tryouts for insurance purposes
Travel Policy:	Team-Travel: All players will travel and stay/room with their teams on travel events(see below) Please find details of Travel Policy in Academy Handbook
Travel Costs:	Travel costs are included in the Team Dues for the following events: MAPL Hampton/Beast/Sunshine(Flight)/Big South/NEQ/SAC/AAU(hotel only) Players will travel with their families on City of Oaks and MAPL, Raleigh. No hotel stay is required. Travel costs include bus transportations(round trip), and hotel rooms. Food is not included.
AAU National:	Due to the uniqueness of AAU, transportation is not included but hotel stays are included.
Practice Schedule:	Per Academy Calendar, please check the updated team practices/clinics on the regular basis. All cancelled practices/clinics are NOT eligible for make-ups.
Payment Plan:	Team dues are paid in 4 installments as below: 1st: 40% by 11/11/2018 2nd: 30% by 12/31/2018 3rd: 30% by 1/31/2019 Uniform fee due 11/11/2018

Academy 17 Crystal - National

USAV Age Definition: 17 & Under, born on or after 9/1,2001

Coaches:	Audrey Hoffman/Coach Li	
Max of Players: 12	10-11 Full Players	Plus 1-2 Practice Players @ $1,600
Team Practices:	T/Th 5-7P; Su 2-4P(Per Academy Calendar)	
Team Dues:	$6,900 (*Per Payment Plan*)	
Uniform Package:	New Players: $360 (Due by 11/11/2018)	
	☑3 Jerseys(Black/White/Blue) ☑1 Spandex ☑Warm-up Set ☑ 2 Tees ☑Team Bag ☑CoverUp Shorts	
	Returning Player: MUST have all package items, can be ordered separately	

Tournaments

Date	Event	Location
December		
16	Academy Game Day	Academy
January		
19-21	City of Oaks Challenge	Raleigh
February		
2-3	Queen City Classic	Charlotte
23	Regional	TBD
March		
2-3	MAPL	Raleigh
10 or	Regional(if not accepted by MAPL)	TBD
23	Regional Championships	TBD
April		
6-8	Big South	Atlanta
19-21	Northeast Qualifier	Philadelphia
May		
25-27	South Atlantic Championships	Richmond
June		
9	Academy Game Day	Academy
21-24	AAU National	Orlando
6/27-7/6 or	USAV Junior Nationals(Requires qualification)	Indianapolis

* All Regional Events site are determined by Carolina Region. Please check Region's website for locations.
* Tournament division selection is at Academy's discretion.
* Academy reserves the right to make schedule changes.
* School absences might occur for travel tournaments, especially for 3-day events. Upon request, Absence Letter will be provided.
* All MAPL events are acceptance-based, the final acceptances are made by the hosting committee.

Team Dues:	Mainly include gym/equipment costs, coaches' pay/expenses, all tournament entries, club events, all admin costs, travel costs; etc. USAV membership fees are paid by players prior to tryouts for insurance purposes
Travel Policy:	Team-Travel: All players will travel and stay/room with their teams on travel events(see below) Please find details of Travel Policy in Academy Handbook
Travel Costs:	Travel costs are included in the Team Dues for the following events: Queen City/Big South/NEQ/SAC/AAU(hotel only) Players will travel with their families on all Regional, City of Oaks and MAPL Raleigh. No hotel stay is required. Travel costs include bus transportations(round trip), and hotel rooms. Food is not included.
AAU National:	Due to the uniqueness of AAU, transportation is not included but hotel stays are included.
Practice Schedule:	Per Academy Calendar, please check the updated team practices/clinics on the regular basis. All cancelled practices/clinics are NOT eligible for make-ups.
Payment Plan:	Team dues are paid in 4 installments as below: 1st: 40% by 11/11/2018 2nd: 30% by 12/31/2018 3rd: 30% by 1/31/2019 Uniform fee due 11/11/2018

Academy 17 Jade - Regional Plus

USAV Age Definition: 17 & Under, born on or after 9/1,2001

Coaches:	Tammy Choboy/Ingrid McCree	
Max of Players: 12	10-11 Full Players	Plus 1-2 Practice Players @ $800
Team Practices:	T/Th 5-7P(Per Academy Calendar)	
Position Clinics:	Su 4-6P *(Per Academy Calendar)*/Included(12/2/18 - 4/9/19)	
Team Dues:	$2,700 (*Per Payment Plan*)	
Uniform Package:	New Players: $360 (Due by 11/11/2018)	
	☑3 Jerseys(Black/White/Blue) ☑1 Spandex ☑Warm-up Set ☑ 2 Tees ☑Team Bag ☑CoverUp Shorts	
	Returning Player: MUST have all package items, can be ordered separately	

Tournaments

Date	Event	Location
December		
16	Academy Game Day	Academy
January		
5	Regional	TBD
19-21	Monument City Classic	Richmond
February		
2-3	Queen City Classic	Charlotte
23	Regional	TBD
March		
10	Regional	TBD
23	Regional Championships	TBD
April		
6-8	Big South	Atlanta

* All Regional Events site are determined by Carolina Region. Please check Region's website for locations.

* Tournament division selection is at Academy's discretion.

* Academy reserves the right to make schedule changes.

* School absences might occur for travel tournaments, especially for 3-day events. Upon request, Absence Letter will be provided.

Team Dues:	Mainly include gym/equipment costs, coaches' pay/expenses, all tournament entries, club events, all admin costs, travel costs; etc. USAV membership fees are paid by players prior to tryouts for insurance purposes
Travel Policy:	Family-Travel: All players will travel and stay with their parents/families Please find details of Travel Policy in Academy Handbook
Practice Schedule:	Per Academy Calendar, please check the updated team practices/clinics on the regular basis. All cancelled practices/clinics are NOT eligible for make-ups.
Payment Plan:	Team dues are paid in 2 installments as below: 1st: 50% by 11/11/2018 2nd: 50% by 12/31/2018 Uniform fee due 11/11/2018