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DALLAS STARLINGS VOLLEYBALL CLUB

Dallas Starlings Volleyball Club was founded in 1998 by Laurie Bruscato to establish and develop a year-round club volleyball program that focuses on training and building elite volleyball athletes of all ages. We are conveniently located the East Dallas area. The North Texas Region adopted a new tryout process last season that will continue take effect this year.

Please review the FAQ section for an explanation of the new rules as well as clarification of frequently asked questions. Below is a list of commonly asked questions regarding our club teams and the tryout process for the 2019-2020 club season.

When are Tryouts?

EVALUATION WINDOW

The Evaluation Window for the upcoming USAV season shall start on the first day after the last day of competition for all age groups at the USAV GJNC. This window lasts until the Acceptance Date for your age group.

15-18's	July 25- August 1	August 2nd
10-14's	August 8-15	August 16th

What Are Evaluation Clinics?

These are events held during the official evaluation window set by North Texas Region Volleyball. These events serve the purpose of evaluating athlete's for next seasons teams.

Non-binding verbal offers for specific teams can be extended to ALL players and parents during these events regardless of last season's club affiliation.

We will be making verbal offers during these Evaluation Clinics.

***See Below our Evaluation Clinics dates and times**

CLUB EVALUATION CLINICS		
DAYS	Monday-Thursday	Monday-Thursday
DATES	August 10th-13th	August 10th-13t
AGE/ TIME	10-12s > 11am-12pm	13-14s > 12pm-1pm
LOCATION	Lakewood Presbyterian School	Lakewood Presbyterian School
COST	\$20 per session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PayPal: paypal.me/LBruscato/20 • Venmo: @dallas-starlings 	\$20 per session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PayPal: paypal.me/LBruscato/20 • Venmo: @dallas-starlings

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When Can I Officially Sign with Dallas Starlings?

ACCEPTANCE DATE

Club Directors may make binding offers and may accept any forms of payment on the Acceptance Date.

For 15s, 16s, 17s, & 18s USAV Age Groups, the Acceptance Date shall be no sooner than the third Saturday of July (07/20/19). For all other age groups, the ACCEPTANCE DATE shall be no sooner than the fourth Saturday of July (07/27/19).

- The evaluation process for Club Teams begin July 7th, 2018
- 15's – 18's Evaluation window – July 5th- **July 20th, 2019** (Acceptance Date)
- 10's – 14's Evaluation window – July 5th- **July 27th, 2019** (Acceptance Date)

What Types Of Teams Do We Offer?

We offer 5 types of teams for the 2019-2020 Club season

Team Classifications:

(WHT) White: White teams will only have one coach and focus heavily on continued skills development and cohesive team play. Teams will practice once a week with only local one-day tournaments around the DFW Metroplex.

(GR) Gray: Gray teams will have two coaches and focus heavily on continued skills development and cohesive team play. Teams will once a week with only local one-day tournaments around the DFW Metroplex.

(BL) Blue:

Blue teams will have two coaches and focus heavily on continued skills development and cohesive team play. Teams will practice twice a week with one/two- day local tournaments around the DFW Metroplex.

(BLK)- Black:

Black teams will have two coaches and focus heavily on continued skills development and cohesive team play. Teams will practice twice a week with only local/travel tournaments in the metroplex and Shreveport, LA/Tulsa OK.

(N)- National:

National teams will have two coaches and are designed for the more committed and competitive athletes. They will have the same practice schedule as Black teams, but will have 1-2 out of state travel tournaments. What Is My Age Group?

2020-2021 USAV AGE DEFINITIONS



USA VOLLEYBALL JUNIOR PLAYER AGE DEFINITION For use during the 2020-2021 Season

To determine the correct age division, please find the Month of Birth in the left column and then the year of birth in the same row. The heading of the column matching the Year of Birth is the correct age bracket.

	18 & Under ¹	18 & Under ²	17 & Under	16 & Under	15 & Under ³	14 & Under ⁴	13 & Under ⁵	12 & Under	11 & Under	10 & Under	9 & Under	8 & Under
July	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Aug	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Sept	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Oct	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Nov	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Dec	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Jan	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Feb	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Mar	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Apr	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
May	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
June	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013

¹ Players who were born on or after July 1, 2002 OR players who were born on or after July 1, 2001 and a high school student in the twelfth (12th) grade or below during some part of the current academic year.

² **Female Only** - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2002, (who are defined as 18 & under by the USAV Age Definition) and are in the 11th grade for the current academic year are waived to compete in 17 & under. (This age waiver is based on recruiting concerns for 11th grade girls previously required to participate in girls 18's qualifiers and the 18's GINC.)

³ **Male Only** - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2006 OR players who were born on or after July 1, 2005 (15 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the eighth (8th) 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.

⁴ **Male Only** - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2006 (14 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the seventh grade (7th) during the current academic year are eligible for a Region approved waiver to compete in the boys 13's age group.

⁵ **Male Only** - Players who were born on or after July 1, 2007 (13 years or younger) who shall neither have completed nor are in a grade higher than the sixth grade (6th) during the current academic year are eligible for a Region approved waiver to compete in the boys 12's age group.

*See below for payment chart

2020-2021 Dallas Starlings Club Member Fees

<u>PLAYER FEES</u>	<u>National Team Fees</u>	<u>Black Team Fees</u>	<u>Blue Team Fees</u>	<u>Boys Team Fees</u>
Total Per Player Fee	\$4,200.00	\$3,500.00	\$2,500	\$2,770-\$3000
Offer Acceptance Fee \$1000 *Due July	-\$700.00	-\$700.00	-\$700.00	\$700.00
Recreation Facility Fee Pd. In Full or Monthly via Auto Draft; starts Nov.	-\$600.00	-\$600.00	-\$600.00	X
Remaining Balance	\$2,900.00	\$2,200.00	\$1,200	\$2070-\$2300
**Monthly Payments Your Choice of # of Payments	5 payments: \$580 6 Payments: \$483 7 Payments: \$414 *Payments start August	5 payments: \$440 6 Payments: \$366 7 Payments: \$314 *Payments start August	4 Payments: \$300 5 Payments: \$240 *Payments start August	4 payments: \$517-750 5 payments: \$414-600 6 payments: \$345-500 *Payments start August
**Members choosing a monthly payment plan will be on bank Auto-Draft for their membership fees. There will be no exception to this policy.				
**Members choosing to pay in full will receive 2 Parent T-shirts.				

<u>National Teams:</u>	<u>Black Teams:</u>	<u>Blue Teams:</u>	<u>Boys</u>
Uniform Package	Uniform Package	Uniform Package	Uniform Package
Under Armour uniform package	Under Armour uniform package	Under Armour uniform package	Under Armour uniform package
Court fees	Court fees	Court fees	Court fees
Coaches fees	Coaches fees	Coaches fees	Coaches fees
Tournament entry fees	Tournament entry fees	Tournament entry fees	Tournament entry fees
Referee and scorekeeper clinics	Referee and scorekeeper clinics	Referee and scorekeeper clinics	Referee and scorekeeper clinics
Administration fees	Administration fees	Administration fees	Administration fees
Tournament Schedule	Tournament Schedule	Tournament Schedule	Tournament Schedule
Ten Tournaments	Ten Tournaments	Eight Tournaments	Six Tournaments
7 Local 1 & 2 Days tournaments	8 Local 1 & 2 Days tournaments	6 Local 1 & 2 Days tournaments	3 Local 2 Days tournaments
1 Out of State Tournament	Lonestar National Qualifier	Lonestar National Qualifier	3 Out of State Tournament
Lonestar National Qualifier	McChesney Regionals	McChesney Regionals	SWBT Championships
McChesney Regionals			McChesney Regionals

What Is Included In The Club Dues?

Included in all teams dues:

- Under Armour uniform package
- Court fees
- Coaches' fees
- Tournament entry fees
- Referee and scorekeeper clinics
- Administration fees
- Recruiting profile (if applicable)**
- Coaches travel expenses (if applicable)**

What Is NOT Included In The Club Dues

*Parent and Player understand that the following are NOT INCLUDED in their Dallas Starlings Volleyball Club fees:

- Player and Parent travel expenses associated with tournaments (hotel lodging, airfare, fuel, food)
- Travel to and from practices and tournaments
- USAV and/or AAU player membership fees
- Post-season tournaments

What are Payment Options?

At the time of signing a \$600 deposit will be collected. The remaining balance will be divided into 7 equal monthly payments due on the following dates:

- Aug 1
- Sept 1
- Oct 1
- Nov 1
- Dec 1
- Jan 1
- Feb 1
- Mar 1

Player and Parent understand that all payments must be received by Dallas Starlings Volleyball Club on the agreed upon date for the payment to be considered on time. Player and Parent understand there is a \$50.00 late fee for any and all monies collected after the agreed upon date. Please note that if paying via credit card, there is a 2.5-3% service fee added to the total.

What If I Make Payment In Full at Signing?

- **Payment in Full**

If club dues are paid upfront, the parent will receive two Parent spirit t-shirts.

Dallas Starlings 2019-2020 Girls and Boys Uniform Package:

Girls Uniform Package:



Boys Uniform Package:



DSVBC Volleyball Parent's Cheat Sheet to Club Volleyball

1. Coaches: 2 Coaches per team for National, Black and Blue; White team only have one coach
2. Ages to Play: 10-18
3. Practices: Twice a week – Usually Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday: 5-7pm or 7-9pm
4. Season: November 1-April 30th
5. Tournaments – December 1st-April 30th
 - a. Consist of one-day or two-day tournaments.
 - b. 1- day tournaments: 8am-5pm
 - c. 2- day tournaments are pool play on Saturday and Bracket Play on Sunday
 - i. Example 2-day tournament: Saturday Pool Play 8am-2pm; Sunday: Bracket play 9am until you either win or lose
6. Cost: \$2500-\$4200
7. Transportation: Parents have to transport their kid to and from practices/tournaments. We ask parents to car pool when necessary because we do understand sibling schedules.
8. Where are tournaments?
 - a. Most tournaments are single day tournaments and are located between 60-90 minutes away.
 - b. Some tournaments are out of town and are Saturday and Sunday.
9. USAV Membership: All players must be a registered member of USAV/NTR; \$45-member fee, this is NOT part of the Dallas Starlings member fees.
10. Once the kids arrive at the tournaments, they are the responsibility of the coach.
11. We try to work around school schedules and other events.
12. We work hard to accommodate the schedule to each player's needs and team.
13. We will have 12U-16U teams
14. Club Costs \$2500-\$4200:
 - a. Gym costs. Gym time is the largest expense for a club.
 - b. Quality of the coaching. Our best coaches are paid more than inexperienced coaches. We have technical directors and master coaches that are tasked with training coaches and players.
 - c. Administrative Staff for the director, asst. director, social media coordinator, accountant.
 - d. Swag. We provide: two jerseys and backpack, warm-up, spandex, socks, and sneakers. A uniform package is usually part of the club fee. Dallas Starlings will be wearing Adidas.
 - e. The number of tournaments entered, and number of multi-day tournaments. Multi Day tournaments are generally twice the price. In addition, the club generally pays for the coach's hotel rooms and travel. Tournaments that involve airfare and have multiple coaches and administrators attending the tournament can add significant costs to the club fee.

- f. Strength training and conditioning is offered and involves a dedicated strength trainer and additional gym time. These sessions may be mandatory or voluntary, but the trainer gets paid either way.
15. Tryouts: Come to our evaluation clinics. Each clinic is \$20 per day and pays for the gym and staff
- a. We can offer verbal offers in clinics
 - b. Dress comfortable; t-shirt and shorts.
 - c. Relax and have fun; kids play better in that type of environment.
 - d. Coaches are looking for great attitudes, hustle, potential, height (can't teach tall and the net is 7'4"), vertical, versatility, skill level, past experience with the coaches and players
 - e. Attend as many open gyms as you can and camps and clinics so we can see you plus you are getting better by practicing your game.
 - f. We fill team spots by position; we can see each player and can make an educated decision where they would fit best on the team.
 - g. We will offer you a spot on the team; referred to as a bid.
 - h. When you accept the bid, you will be required to register with the region's OCS system. DS will walk each parent through that system. Every player must register with the club via the OCS system. OCS: Online Commitment System
16. Playing Time: We guarantee all kids will play, but we do not guarantee the same amount of game time. This varies based on the skill level of the player as well as her position.
17. Coaches: All coaches have vb knowledge and have played D1 vb or the like. All coaches have years of experience in the game playing and coaching.
18. Our Philosophy is to develop all players; the range of improvement will be the individual player desire and motivation. We also like to win. Developing players will promote the wins.
19. Teams: White/Gray, Blue, Black and National; all vary in ability, skill, tournaments and costs.
20. Players will learn strategy, develop self-worth, make new friends, learn "teammanship" and work hard by challenging themselves every practice and tournament.

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