



Do you want to take your volleyball game to the next level? Are you in the 6th thru 12th grade? If you answered yes to both of these questions, please continue reading.

WHO ARE WE?

East Carolina Junior Volleyball Club, Inc. (ECJVC) is incorporated in the State of North Carolina as a non-profit, membership organization. The Club is organized and run by parents and coaches and is affiliated with the Junior Olympic Volleyball Program, which is the national youth program of USA Volleyball (USAV). USAV is the governing body of amateur volleyball in the United States from the beginner level through the US Olympic teams. Parental involvement is an integral part of the program, and the Board of Directors of ECJVC (made up of parents) is responsible for the financial and organizational administration of the ECJVC as well as providing junior volleyball players in the eastern North Carolina region the opportunity to develop their skills in and knowledge of volleyball by providing specialized clinics, practice facilities, quality coaching and interregional competition to support and enhance the volleyball programs available in local schools, instilling values of team play, individual discipline and work habits which will serve junior volleyball players well in any future endeavor, assisting those student-athletes, who possess the academic and volleyball skills as well as the desire and dedication, in seeking playing opportunities and scholarships at the collegiate level, and identifying and developing regional volleyball coaching skills.

WHO ARE THE COACHES?

Chris Rushing, head volleyball coach at ECU, is the Executive Director of ECJVC and responsible for selecting and overseeing the coaches. All ECJVC coaches are certified by USAV. In addition, all of our coaches are current or former volleyball players, many of whom play(ed) at the collegiate level. Typically each team will have one coach. Some teams may choose to pay additional fees to add an assistant coach (pays for the assistant coach's USAV membership, salary, per diem, hotel, etc.).

WHEN AND WHERE ARE THE PRACTICES?

There will typically be 2 two-hour practices per week, starting at the end of November and running through mid-April. Each team will have approximately 30 practices during the season. Most teams will have a practice on Sunday and one on a weeknight (some will have 2 weeknights). The exact practice schedule will be determined once teams have been formed. All practices will be held at Courtside Athletic Club (1750 Wimbledon Drive, Greenville, NC).

WHEN AND WHERE ARE THE TOURNAMENTS?

The club fees include 6 tournaments (4 Carolina Region Tournaments, a 2-day tournament, and ending with the Region Championships in April). The Carolina Region tournaments, including Championships, are held on Saturdays beginning at 9am and ending anywhere between 2pm and 7pm. They are held throughout the state of North Carolina. Each team will have 3-6 matches in these tournaments. Teams will usually play 7-10 matches in a 2-day tournament. The Carolina Region tournament dates for each team to choose from are as follows:

- 12's thru 15's teams tournaments are Jan 5, Jan 19, Feb 2, Feb 16, Mar 1, Mar 15 (Apr 12 is Championships)
- 16's thru 18's teams tournaments are Jan 12, Jan 26, Feb 9, Feb 23, Mar 8, Mar 22 (Apr 15 is Championships)

HOW MANY PLAYERS ARE ON A TEAM?

ECJVC plans to have teams in the 12's through 18's age groups. Each team will consist of 8 or 9 players. All players who tryout are not guaranteed making a team. We will try to provide the opportunity to as many players as possible.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO PLAY ECJVC-JUNIOR OLYMPIC VOLLEYBALL?

The ECJVC fees are \$640 per player. The ECJVC fee covers all 6 tournament entry fees, insurances, equipment, jerseys, coach's travel hotel and per diem and salary, web Site, etc. The ECJVC fees do not cover the player's travel expenses (player's transportation, meals, hotel rooms), nor do they cover transportation of the coach to the tournaments. Many of the coaches are ECU volleyball players without personal transportation available; thus, team parents are responsible for transporting the coach when necessary. The payment plan for ECJVC fees is \$250 on November 12, \$130 on December 15, \$130 on January 15, and \$130 on February 15. In addition to the ECJVC fees, all players that make an ECJVC team must sign up for a regular 1-year membership at Courtside Athletic Club, since practices are held in this facility. Once doing so, players become a full member of Courtside Athletic Club and may use all Courtside Athletic Club amenities. The cost for Courtside Athletic Club is \$30 per month per person (ask Courtside Athletics about family memberships).

HOW DO I TRYOUT FOR AN ECJVC TEAM?

In order to tryout, you must fill out the tryout form and bring it with you to your specific tryout (you can print a tryout form off our web site at www.eastcarolinajvc.org). You must also pay a \$15 tryout fee at this time. You may pay with cash or check (made out to ECJVC). You must turn in your completed form and tryout fee at your tryout registration in order to participate. You must tryout on your specific age group night, unless you get prior permission from the ECJVC Executive Director, Chris Rushing. Tryouts will be held at Courtside Athletic Club (1750 Wimbledon Drive, Greenville, NC) on the dates listed below. ***Please check the date and time, and plan to arrive 20 minutes prior to your scheduled tryout time in order to complete your registration.***

- Monday, November 5 (12's 5-7 pm, and 13's 7-9 pm)
- Tuesday, November 6 (14's 5-7 pm, and 15's 7-9 pm)
- Wednesday, November 7 (16's, 17's and 18's 6-9 pm)

To help you know which age group you fall in, the age definitions are below. If you were born:

- on Sept 1, 1995 thru Aug 31, 1996 you may play 12's
- on Sept 1, 1994 thru Aug 31, 1995 you may play 13's
- on Sept 1, 1993 thru Aug 31, 1994 you may play 14's
- on Sept 1, 1992 thru Aug 31, 1993 you may play 15's
- on Sept 1, 1991 thru Aug 31, 1992 you may play 16's
- on Sept 1, 1990 thru Aug 31, 1991 you may play 17's
- on Sept 1, 1989 thru Aug 31, 1990 (or are a H.S. Senior) you may play 18's.

PLEASE CONFIRM THESE DATES, TIMES & LOCATION ON OUR WEB SITE www.eastcarolinajvc.org

HOW WILL I KNOW IF I MADE A TEAM?

The selection of teams will be posted on the ECJVC web site on Thursday, November 8. It is possible that players are selected to be on an older age group team (according to need and skill level).

ONCE YOU'VE BEEN CHOSEN FOR A TEAM

Each player, and a parent or legal guardian, must attend a **MANDATORY** meeting on Monday, November 12. This meeting will be held at Courtside Athletic Club, on the volleyball court at the times below. Please bring a folding chair for your comfort, as no other seating is available.

- 12's thru 14's teams will be 6-7:30pm.
- 15's thru 18's teams will be 7:45-9pm.

This **MANDATORY** meeting is to meet as a club and with your specific teams, to complete forms and receive information, and ask questions. Club rules and regulations, tournament schedules, and other items will be discussed. Please bring your checkbook with you as your \$250 first payment will be required at this meeting.

ECJVC Payment Schedule:

November 12 (\$250)

December 15 (\$130)

January 15 (\$130)

February 15 (\$130)

ANY QUESTIONS?

If you need any other information, please call or email Karen Parker, ECJVC President. Her phone cell phone number is 531-6203 and her email is parkerk@ecu.edu. You can also contact Chris Rushing, ECJVC Executive Director. His office phone is 737-1425 and his cell phone is 367-0788. His email is rushingc@ecu.edu.

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www.eastcarolinajvc.org
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