



Welcome to North Idaho Volleyball Club's 2025/2026 BOYS tryouts!

We recommend that you review our Parent Handbook on our website www.northidahovolleyball.com for all details about the club season.

Here are some FAQ coming into tryouts and the team season:

Q. When will we find out the teams?

A. NIVBC will email each player (at the email address provided upon registering for tryouts) and cc their coach by 6:00pm Monday July 28th

Q. What age division is NIVBC offering for boys this seas?

A. The last few seasons we've only had enough boys for a full roster at the u18 age division. NIVBC is open to having younger boys teams too if the community shows enough interest.

Q. What happens next if my athlete makes a team?

A. If you choose to accept your spot on the team we ask that parent and player sign the offer letter that is emailed to you and either email it to us at northidahovbc@gmail.com or bring it in to our board at Sotheby's Office 102 S. 2nd Ave. Sandpoint anytime between 5:30pm-6:30pm on Wednesday July 30th. **Upon accepting your spot you are required to pay a 25% deposit designated on your offer letter.** You can bring cash or check made to NIVBC to us on the 30th, pay via Venmo or contact our bookkeeper to pay with a credit card. NIVBCbookkeeper@gmail.com

Q. When will payments be due and what is tuition for the season?

A. We require your non refundable down payment 25% towards the overall cost of the seasons tuition to be paid upon signing this week. Regional team costs are 1700.00 per player. We aim to roster 10, but team sizes can range from 9-12.

- Player fees includes all coaching costs, admin costs, tournament entry fees, and gym / facilities rentals.
- Not included are ERVA / USA volleyball memberships, jerseys, or any extra tournaments or training not on standard player fee outline. Also not included are any other travel costs for the players themselves. (transportation , hotels, food, etc)
- A down payment of 25% is due at signing for all teams. The remaining balance will be billed monthly in equal payments and will be due on the first of the month from Nov-February. Players are always free to pay full season tuition in advance or make large payments to pay off earlier.
- In recent years we have offered a shorter season length for the boys to accommodate not conflicting with fall or spring school sports. We generally begin practicing late November and finish the season end of March. Overall cost will depend on the roster size and how many tournaments the team decides to compete in. This length/commitment can be decided on at the parent-coach pre season meeting.

You do have the option to pay offline directly to NIVBC with Venmo, cash or check to avoid credit card processing fees if you wish. **We also have scholarships available for those in need.** Our bookkeeper is best to answer any financial questions you have at NIVBCbookkeeper@gmail.com

Q. What can we expect for time commitment during the season?

A. Team seasons will vary, your season expectations will be communicated directly to you from your coach. All teams aim for 2 practices per week; 1.5 to 2 hours each during their season. We aim for participating in 2-4 tournaments spread out between late December through March. Coaches select their individual teams schedule for scrimmages/tournaments. Your tuition will vary slightly team to team based on which tournaments and number of tournaments your coach selects.

For our **Regional Teams** we do our best to schedule all tournaments as close to home as we can. Generally they are in Spokane, Post Falls, Rathdrum, CDA and Sandpoint but can include a Lewiston or Wenatchee tournament if needed. **The Evergreen Region Tournament Scheduling day is early December 2025. As soon as we are officially signed up for tournaments that day we will post schedules on our website.** For our **Travel Teams** they will compete at regional tournaments but also travel to bigger tournaments throughout the season. Locations of those will be decided upon by the coaches/team together prior to the season beginning so families can all agree and plan ahead. But please expect those options to be in locations such as Seattle, Salt Lake City, Pheonix etc. Your tuition will vary depending on the amount of travel tournaments the team votes to attend per season and locations.

We will not have practice schedules set until the district gym use meeting mid December. Please understand that it is completely out of our control since we rent the gyms from LPOSD and they will not allow us to set our schedules for the season any sooner than mid

December. As soon as we get approval we will update our website calendar and inform all teams of their practice schedule.

Q. How many players are on each team?

A. We aim to roster 10 players this year but coaches do have the option to roster anywhere from 9 to 11 if they see fit. They sometimes choose to have practice players who attend just practices but not our tournaments. But we do leave roster sizes up to the discretion of our coaches and trust their judgment.

Q. With tryouts happening in the summer does this mean club practices will overlap with school seasons?

A. No. NIVBC will not hold club team practices that conflict with your fall school sports season. NIVBC teams won't begin practicing until the middle school and high fall sports seasons have ended. Depending on your teams length, some will begin practicing late November and others in January.

Q. Am I required to have an Evergreen Region Membership?

A. Yes. Every player participating in USA Volleyball is required to have a current regional membership. We are in the Evergreen Region. This membership will cover your athlete for the full year August 2025-August 2026. If you had a membership from last season it is still valid through August 2025 but will need to be renewed after that. Please visit their website directly to purchase your annual membership (required before participating in any practices or events)
<https://www.evergreenregion.org/>

Q. What is the best way to contact the club with questions?

A. You can always email us at northidahovbc@gmail.com with any questions or concerns. Our board president checks that account daily and shoots to respond within 24 hours to the best of our ability. We also have a Feedback account set up where you can email us with any concerns you have and request to be anonymous. Only 1 non-parent board member has access to the feedbacknivbc@gmail.com email to insure anonymity.

We look forward to seeing you and your athlete at tryouts!!