# **VOLLEYBALL TRYOUT PROCESS**

Welcome! Read on to answer many of the questions you may have about our indoor team tryout process.

# LEARN

Welcome! Please take the time to

explore our links below to learn a bit

about what makes WAVE special, in

addition to being one of the top

youth volleyball clubs in the country.

# PREPARE

We recommend athletes prepare by playing

as much volleyball as they can leading up to

tryouts, especially if new to the sport. This

includes playing for your school program, or

WAVE Girls & Boys Programs

WAVE Beach Club

WAVE Agility & Strength

Private Lessons

If you are not able to play ahead of time, no

problem! We welcome and accept athletes

on teams without playing experience, and

while having a basic volleyball background is

recommended, it is not required.

exploring WAVE's programs!

# REGISTER

Check your age group in the current season's Age Definition Chart.

Register online for tryouts.

Please plan on coming to all scheduled tryout days / times listed.

### Age Group Note:

Is your athlete young for their grade and can play "down" a year? Please note we highly encourage all athletes to play with their grade level when possible :)

### High School Athletes:

Due to CIF rules, you cannot physically tryout at WAVE if you are currently in your high school season. After registering online. contact brennan@wavevb.com for more details

Have fun and do your best! Our tryout process is fair and thorough. All athletes are evaluated across a variety of skill sets and are among their age group's peers throughout the process.

ATTEND

### Season Informational Flier:

All families that register and attend tryouts will receive detailed team & season information via email the weekend of tryouts. All practice times, days, schedules, coaching, and paying & playing schedules are readily available for you to review over the tryout weekend.

Families are welcome to attend and watch the tryout process!

# **TRYOUT RESULTS**

WAVE's staff works as quickly as possible to offer athletes spaces on teams.

No need to check in with us via phone or email about your status - we will contact you!

### If vou make a WAVE Team:

### If you do not make a WAVE Team:

- You will receive a phone call from one of our While we wish we had space to coaches extending a team placement offer.
- If you are contacted via phone during the tryout weekend about an offer - please be ready to give a clear yes or no answer :)
- If you accept an offer to join a WAVE team, we are committed to you and vice versa (no need to attend any other tryouts elsewhere at that point).
- If you are extended a team offer and you are not sure yet, please note we may not be able to hold the space as we need to help many • families that are interested in a team.
- If offered, please not we only extend an offer to join 1 team. You cannot choose your team.

- accommodate all interested athletes. there may not be spot for everyone who tries out for a WAVE team (please read our FAO).
- Athletes that do not receive an offer to ioin a team will receive an email letting them know if there is unfortunately not a spot for them (this is communicated typically by the Monday following the tryout weekend).

We encourage athletes that are not selected to continue to improve their skills in one of our WAVE Programs.

Our commitment process is completely paperless and virtual! All families committed to a team will receive emailed instructions for completion.

JOIN THE TEAM COMMITMENT

The commitment process is FAST! Please note committed families need to complete all paperwork by the stated deadline, typically the day after tryouts are completed. We understand it is a quick turn around, but we need all items **completed by the stated deadline** to finalize your spot on the team.



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# VOLLEYBALL TRYOUT FAQ

# DO YOU HAVE LOCAL / REGIONAL / TRAVEL TEAMS?

Our commitment levels and schedule varies by team. We do not offer "local" v. "regional" v. "travel" definitions at WAVE. Please refer to your age group's emailed tryout flier for detailed commitment information and schedule.

# WHAT IS THE SEASON COST? WHAT IS THE PRACTICE & TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE?

WAVE strives to present consistent practice schedules as we know families are busy with other commitments. All detailed information is clearly presented over the tryout weekend via our season flier (emailed to all registered & attending families the weekend of tryouts). We do not release this ahead of time as we want the most accurate information given to all interested athletes at the same time :)

# **CAN I PICK MY TEAM?**

No, the tryout process entails an assessment and fair placement conducted by our expert coaches and directors. Players are placed on the most appropriate level team available.

# **GRADE / AGE - WHAT DO WE DO IF MY ATHLETE CAN PLAY TWO AGE DIVISIONS?**

If your athlete is young for their grade and can therefore play "down" a year, please note we highly encourage all athletes to play with <u>athletes in their same grade level</u> when possible. :) Please register for the appropriate age group online.

# **HOW MANY TEAMS DO YOU TAKE?**

Our team numbers / age group vary, with changes dependent on the number of registered and interested athletes.

# HOW DO I MEET THE COACH?

Feel free to have your athlete introduce yourself during the your age group's timeslot to say hi! Many of our coaches also coach our popular <u>Summer Camps</u> or offer <u>Private Lessons</u> (email any of our staff to arrange).

# HOW DOES COMMITMENT NIGHT / PROCESS WORK?

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