



2009 – 2010 JUNIORS' PROGRAM PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

Being a member of the NVVA Juniors' Program requires a commitment to be the very best person I can be both on and off the court. If I am selected, in addition to the USAV Code of Conduct, I will follow the Code of Conduct outlined below:

- 1) As long as I am a member of the NVVA Juniors' Program I will refrain from using tobacco products, alcohol, or illegal drugs at any time. Any use of these substances is grounds for immediate disciplinary action by my Head Coach and/or the NVVA Juniors' Program Director. Public Displays of Affection are not permitted and could lead to suspension.
- 2) I understand my top priority is to prepare myself for high school or college. Therefore, I will maintain at least a **2.0 (out of 4.0) overall grade point average** in school. If I fall below that mark I will not fully participate in the Juniors' Program until I can re-gain the 2.0 average.
- 3) I realize that I am part of a team and my personal goals and ambitions are second to the goals and ambitions of the team and thus, will support all other NVVA Juniors' Program teams and players. I appreciate their hard work in helping to make the NVVA Juniors' Program the best it can be.

During tournaments and overnight trips I will obey the following guidelines:

- I will respect and follow the rules, regulations, and curfews established by the Juniors' Director, Coaches, and/or Chaperones at all times.
 - I will arrive on time. I will notify a Coach, Chaperone, or the Juniors' Director immediately once I realize travel conditions may cause me to be late. If I arrive late without prior notification, my play will be limited to exceptional substitutions due to injury during the first match for which I am present.
 - I will remain with at least **one of my teammates at all times**. Under **NO** circumstances will I request an exception, nor would an exception be granted.
 - If I am riding with another NVVA Juniors' Program member and his/her parents, I will present written permission from my parents to my Head Coach prior to the tournament date.
 - I will abide by all rules established by the NVVA Staff, Chaperones and Dorm Sponsors.
 - I will treat **other teams, players, coaches and officials** with the **respect** with which I would want them to treat the NVVA Juniors' Program members and me.
- 4) If I leave a tournament or practice without previous permission from my Head Coach, the NVVA Juniors' Program will place me on indefinite suspension pending evaluation by the Juniors' Program.



- 5) As a member of the NVVA Juniors' Program I will conduct myself as a fitting representative of the Juniors' Program, my family, my hometown, and my state wherever I am and whatever situation I am presented. Disrespectful behavior or unsportsman-like conduct toward anyone involved in the Juniors' Program, or associated with Juniors' Volleyball may be grounds for a formal apology, suspension, dismissal and/or removal from a game, match or tournament. The term and duration of action will be dependent upon the severity of the violation and will be at the discretion of the Coach and/or Juniors' Director.
- 6) As an NVVA Juniors' Player, I understand that I will be immediately removed from a game during competition, and may be suspended further (at the Coaches discretion) if I receive a Yellow Card for unsportsman-like conduct, even if this means forfeiture of the game.
- 7) I will never express disrespect or displeasure toward referees, other coaches, or players. I will bring any problems I have with tournament personnel or other teams to my Coach's attention for further action. I understand that displaying insubordination to a Coach or any adult associated with NVVA can result in suspension in my participation or possibly dismissal from the club.
- 8) I understand that all jewelry and body glitter are considered unsafe by USA Volleyball and thus must be removed prior to the beginning of practice and competition. If a religious or medical medallion must be worn it will be taped to the player's body or uniform.
- 9) I will be present at all NVVA Juniors' Program functions (practices, tournaments, overnight trips, meetings, special events, etc.) unless I receive prior permission from my Head Coach or the Juniors' Director. If I do not attend one or two functions immediately prior to a competition, and I did not gain prior permission for those absences, I am still responsible for attending the competition. I understand that I will not play in said competition unless the coach has no other options due to player injury or other player absences.
- 10) I will pay money due on the date specified on the Participation Agreement Form or give up my place on the team. I also understand that should I quit or be discharged from the NVVA Juniors' Program for violations of this Code or other reasons, I will forfeit all monies previously paid, and all remaining monies due (the balance of the annual membership fee) shall become payable immediately. Failure to pay the fees in accordance with the schedule of fees will constitute an act of default. In the event of default, this obligation is referred to an attorney and/or a collection agency for collection, the member agrees to pay all applicable attorney fees and costs of collection.
- 11) Since acceptance of a spot on a team precludes us from filling that position with another player, full payment will be expected upon termination of a contract. However, if there are extenuating circumstances a request can be made for consideration on the unpaid balance.
- 12) A player joining the Club after the start of the season will be charged all of the relevant individual costs (i.e. uniforms, registration, etc.,) as well as a percentage of the relevant administrative costs of the remainder of the season.

Girlfriends/boyfriends and other guests at NVVA Functions are important to me, but my first commitments are to academics, volleyball, and my team. While guests are allowed at NVVA functions on a non-interference basis, I understand that this a privilege and will respect any request from my Head Coach or the Juniors' Director to refrain from inviting my girlfriend/boyfriend or any other guest if there are significant issues in the future. When attending any event, any minor guests I invite are under my parent's charge if there is no other direct adult supervision provided for them.