



PARENT MEETING AGENDA

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

(Alabama Juniors operates out of Simmons Middle School, 1575 Patton Chapel Rd)

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www.srva.org

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PHILOSOPHY

At Alabama Juniors Volleyball club, our major goal is for every girl to improve, regardless of the players current skill level. We want to take all of our players to the next level, whether that is achieving the goal of making a middle or high school team or playing at the collegiate level. Our goal is for every player to be taught the game of volleyball in a fun and challenging environment and to be exposed to variety of coaching styles.

COMMITMENT

Your commitment is very important to the success of the team which you chose to participate with. Please consider your options in a timely manner and make your decision as quickly as possible. All clubs are working hard to create competitive teams. An offer not accepted enables a club to make an offer to the next competitive player. When you do not do this it can destroy the team's strength and leave teams and players in jeopardy, causing some teams not to make and leaving players without a team. Please be considerate and make your decisions asap. Oct. 15th is commitment day for 12-14 year olds and Nov. 4th is commitment day for 15-18 year olds.

COST/FEES

Skills/Evaluation Fee (Tryouts) \$50 if prepaid by Oct. 7th for 14 & under and Oct. 28th for 15 & older. If you register after that date it will be \$75.00.

Cost: Includes Coaching salaries, registrations for SRVA/Insurance, Facility Usage, Equipment, Administrative costs and Background checks on coaches, all tournament costs, and club fee. (See attachment for payment schedule/Divisions of Play) **It does not include individual travel expenses.**

Ball and Practice Shirts: Only new players will need to order a new uniform unless there is a size change. All new players will receive a ball, replacement balls will be charged to previous players if they need a new one. Each player will receive two practice shirts, one gray and one black. A Mizuno store will be open to players for any additional purchases they may want to make. (Shoes, socks, warm up jackets and pants, and bags) This store will be open on the player's commitment day.

All pre-registration info will be filled out on-line saving you time on the day of tryouts. We will accept payment in the form of cash, credit cards, venmo (JoAnn-Hollis) or checks made payable to Alabama Juniors. There is a \$35.00 charge for all returned checks. Please make sure to put your child's name and team on all payments.

TEAMS (2 TEAMS PER AGE DIVISION)

Coaches: All of our coaches are very experienced, and many have played at the collegiate level. All teams will have one permanent coach, and most will have two. Coaches may have occasional conflicts in their schedules and it is for this reason we provide two coaches per team. This will assure a coach being at practice and tournaments at all times that is familiar with all the players. Coaches are expected to be at both practices at all times and must be approved to miss any team-scheduled events by the director and president. A floater coach will take the place of any coach who is absent whenever possible. A floater coach is another qualified coach on our staff that is not assigned to your team.

National Teams-must commit to 80% attendance. We do not make you choose sports, but we must have the majority of a National team at **all practices and matches, including regionals**. These teams are comprised of players who are committed to volleyball only. Skills and team strategies require high attendance on these teams. Attendance will be taken and those unable to meet this commitment will be moved to another team.

Participation in Other Sports/3man rule (State rule)-only three people from one school can be on the same club team. We work very hard to make sure this is correct. If you see we have overlooked this during evaluations, team meetings or practices please bring it to our attention immediately. School coaches cannot coach any player in their system. This is not a SRVA rule but an AHSAA rule and violation can result in your child being ineligible when they return to school. This does not apply to the 12 and 13 year old age divisions.

Travel-the Southern Region is made up of the following states: Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia. Most tournaments are played in these areas. Your team may elect to travel to other destinations other than these states. These are team decisions and are made by a majority rule team vote.

Parent Participation-we expect you to get your children to practice, tournaments and matches on time and ready to play. You are responsible for your lodging and transportation of your child. We expect you to pay your bills on time and support your coaches. Coaches should be notified if a player is going to miss practices. When attending tournaments all players are expected to remain until all duties responsible of your team are completed.

TRYOUT INFORMATION:

Teams will be on the website (as soon as possible) after tryouts. Teams will be listed by your child's tryout number and color. Example: Green 2. Remember you tryout color and number.

Tryout Details for the kids:

12 & under: Saturday, October 10 from 9:00am-11:00am
Sunday, October 11 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

Tryouts for the 12's will be held at the gym at Alabaster Board of Education.
Address: 10111 Hwy 119, Alabaster, AL 35007

13's: Saturday, October 10 from 9:00am-11:00am
Sunday, October 11 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

Tryouts for 13's will be held at Thompson Intermediate.
Address:1509 Kent Dairy Rd, Alabaster, AL 35007

14's: Saturday, October 10 from 12:00pm-2:00pm
Sunday, October 11 from 4:00pm-6:00pm

Tryouts for 14's will be held at Thompson Intermediate.
Address:1509 Kent Dairy Rd, Alabaster, AL 35007

15's: Saturday, October 31 from 9:00am-11:00am
Sunday, November 1 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

Tryouts for 15's will be held at Thompson Intermediate.
Address:1509 Kent Dairy Rd, Alabaster, AL 35007

16's-18's: Saturday, October 31 from 12:00pm-2:00pm
Sunday, November 1 from 4:00pm-6:00pm

Tryouts for 16's-18's will be held at Thompson Intermediate.

IMPORTANT COVID-19 TRYOUT NOTES

*Players need to bring own water bottle(s) to tryouts; they cannot use the water fountains

*Players must have a mask at tryouts

*Temperature will be checked upon entry to tryouts

*No parents will be allowed in tryouts

*Like all clubs at this time, there is no guarantee to the season... it's a day by day thing. Right now everything looks good for volleyball, but we're at the mercy of local and state regulations and sanctioning bodies.

PARENT MEETINGS

The general parent meeting will be a pre-recorded virtual meeting. Please click the link on the website and view before coming to tryouts. If you have any questions after you watch it, email us at the above addresses.

After teams are selected we will have individual team parent meetings. Please bring a calendar with conflicting dates to parent meetings in order to plan your playing schedule. Team meetings will be the week of Nov. 16th-19th. Please reserve these dates.

Officiating Duties/Officials Clinic: January 9th from 9:00am-11:00am (all players/coaches attend).

Practice Schedules will be on the website: Most teams practice 2 hours, twice a week. Occasionally we have a younger team that only wants two, 1 ½ hour practices a week.

Uniforms will be fitted on Commitment Day, Oct. 15th for 12-14's and Nov. 4th for 15-18's from 5:30-7:30 PM in the Simmons Middle School lunchroom/library; please know the sizes or bring the player. Be prepared to list 3 number choices. We will also have a Mizuno store open for you to purchase anything you may need. Everything outside the uniform is optional. The Mizuno store will only take a credit card.

FORMS

Please visit www.srva.org and read the changes and procedures regarding registration. Players are required to pay \$5.00 for a tryout membership. When they commit to a club, they will need to go back to SRVA and obtain a full membership and designate their club. The tryout membership card will have to be presented at tryouts; please include your child's medical form. Parent and players must sign all forms in the appropriate areas. Please check the chart for the correct age group for your child and verify with Carla if you are not sure. Include name of the school you will attend as of **July 1st 2021**, grade and age.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Pay to Play- This is not a pay to play opportunity. Tournament schedules will be determined by the Director and President with input from a parent survey and coaches. Coaches will evaluate the girl's playing skill and playing time will be determined by their abilities and level of play during practices and tournament play. You are paying for instruction, which occurs during your practice times. At no time should a coach be approached about playing time, especially at tournaments. Please make an appointment with your coach to discuss your concerns only after the player has discussed the issue with the coach first.

***Refunds-we do not give refunds for any reason, including injury, moving, change of mind, etc. This, of course, does not include those players who are not placed on a team. If you are not placed on a team, you would be given a refund of the commitment money. The \$75.00 evaluation fee is non-refundable. Please take your commitment seriously. We must plan our schedules (hire our coaches, order uniforms, and equipment) at this time, and cannot make these plans without knowing who is going to play. If you change your mind after this date, our plans have already been made and fees paid. Any returned check will be charged a \$35.00 fee. All fees must be paid in advanced.

Potential Playing Schedule

Tournament schedule will be devised from tournaments in the Southern Region, including but not limited to:

Alabama, Tennessee, and Georgia. When all volleyball affiliates complete their 2021 schedules we will complete ours.

We will send out a tentative tournament list to the teams once they are picked for you to vote on.

Tentative Coaches for the upcoming season:

12 National: Tonnie and Brett Glover

12 American: Andrea and Madison Thames

13 National: Alyssa Kirkman and Sierra Glover

13 American: Ashley Fondren and MK Parnell

14 National: JoAnn Hollis and Shelby Wallace

14 American: Claudia Chisolm and TBA

15 National: Laura Burke and Jo Graf

15 American: Lauren O'Sullivan and Hailey Haggard

16 National: Ross Hickman and Tim Locklear

16/17 National: Erica Schilling and Chloe Curtis

17/18 National: Kellyanne Gandy and Nicole Klacar

Floater Coaches: Kayte Cloudus, Colleen Willis, Jordan Pescatore, & there may be others

Divisions of Play (All teams wil play a total of 7 tournaments including Regionals)

It is important to play where you can be pushed but also be competitive. The different divisions make this possible.

Different regions have different rules that enable them to have some advantages over us. Not all regions have the 50% rule.

\$2110.00- (usually National teams) These teams will practice twice a week for 2 hours each of practice and will go to a qualifier, large tournament like Ky Bluegrass, or a 3 day tournament.

\$1910- (usually American teams but some National as well) These teams take the option of two hour practices and no qualifier, large tournament like Ky Bluegrass, or three day tournament.

\$1860.00- (usually just the 12 American team if any) These teams will practice twice a week for 1.5 hours and will not go to a qualifier or 3 day tournament.

Payment Schedule:

Payment Schedule	1st Payment	2nd Payment	3rd Payment	4th Payment
\$2110 Total	\$500 due on Commitment Night. Either Oct.15 or Nov.4 depending on your age.	\$536.67 Due the first practice in January.	\$536.66 Due the first practice in February.	\$536.66 Due the first practice in March.
\$1910 Total	\$500 due on Commitment Night. Either Oct.15 or Nov.4 depending on your age.	\$470.00 Due the first practice in January.	\$470.00 Due the first practice in February.	\$470.00 Due the first practice in March.
\$1860 total	\$500 due on Commitment Night. Either Oct.15 or Nov.4 depending on your age.	\$453.34 Due the first practice in January.	\$453.33 Due the first practice in February.	\$453.33 Due the first practice in March.

Failure to pay your bill on time will result in your daughter being eliminated from practices and tournaments until your bill is paid.

