

Edge Volleyball VA – Player - Parent Meeting Information 2025

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Teams — Determined by player breakdown, 10-12 players and up to 2 practice players* possible. (* practice players train with teams but do not attend tournaments)

Practice – Starts Nov. 4th - Twice a week – along with specialized training days - TBD. All practices start at 5:30 or 7:30 weekdays, various days and times for training days. Weekday practices will focus on team play and competition. Specialty days will include position practice, skills focus, strength training. We will have occasional combined practices.

Tournaments – Min of 8 (includes 3 to 4 – two-day events, 4 -5 1day events – VB, Richmond, Charlotte, Greensboro, WV, Blacksburg, MD, Myrtle Beach). Starting in January. Other Tournaments may be added by individual teams at an additional cost.

Tuition – U12 - 13 \$1950 | U14-16 \$2700 | U17-18 \$2650 | Boys teams (16-18) \$2250
Black Team \$1450 | Development \$650

Discounts for full payment before Nov. 1st. Payment plans must use credit card (3% service fee) or Check. (Please no cash)

Additional fees –

New Player - **Uniform package** \$357 (Due at uniform fitting day) 3 jersey's \$180, bag \$45, 3 Practice t's \$27, personal volleyball \$45, pull-over sweatshirt \$35, pants \$30 (U12/13 will only have 2 jerseys so uniform kit is \$297)

AAU - \$20 /USAV membership \$50 (Girls AAU/Boys USAV) Due on Signing Day Aug. 10

Returning players – Backpack, volleyball, practice t's, pullovers are optional if they already have these items. Will need to buy additional jersey (U14-18)

Personal Travel expenses – Hotels, food, transportation

Payment Schedule - Due by the 1st of each month, \$25 late fee, no grace period. Players with past due accounts will be suspended immediately – (Plus 3% service for credit card payments) (discount if fees are paid in full by Nov. 1, 2024)

Team	Tuition	Pre-Pay	Signing Day	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
12, 13	\$1,950	\$1,800	\$450	\$400	\$400	\$300	\$250	\$150	\$1,950
14, 15, 16	\$2,700	\$2,550	\$550	\$500	\$500	\$400	\$400	\$350	\$2,700
17, 18	\$2,650	\$2,475	\$500	\$550	\$500	\$400	\$400	\$300	\$2,650
Boys 16-18	\$2,250	\$2,125	\$450	\$600	\$400	\$300	\$300	\$200	\$2,250
Black	\$1,450	\$1,400	\$300	\$350	\$300	\$250	\$250		\$1,450
Development	\$650	N/A	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$100	\$100		\$650

Club Philosophy

We want to develop players that love the game. We believe that comes from hard work, lots of playing, great coaches who care about the players, and being part of a team. We want players who understand the meaning of earning your spot and supporting your team. We also want parents that love the game and support the club. They show that support with constant contact, staying informed, and staying positive.

Club, player, and Coach decisions are based on three factors, best for the player, best for the team, best for the club. The order of importance of those three things will change based on the situation. We are completely aware that with every decision made someone will find a reason to disagree. Please try to remember that our goal is to provide a great experience for everyone and each of you plays a part in accomplishing that goal.

Team Philosophy

12 -14 Developmental – Emphasis on all around volleyball skills, very little specialization (possibly setters), more even playing time (not equal). W/L secondary to player engagement and opportunity.

15- 18 Competitive – Begin specialization, playing time a function of skill, improvement, position, and work effort. Expectation of dedication to team. Missing practice will have a large effect on playing time regardless of position.

Player/Parent Expectations

1. Attendance – Practice & Tournaments

Players are expected to attend all practices and tournaments. Schedules are provided very early so that families can plan accordingly. We understand that things come up that may require missing practice/tournament but please do your best to schedule events that can be, around them. Also notify the coach at least 24 hours prior to missing practice whenever possible. If you plan on missing a tournament, please notify your coach asap.

Missing Practice - Don't come to practice if you might make others sick. Graded or mandatory School events. Important family events. Injured players are expected to attend practice unless they are immobile, or attendance is detrimental to their recovery.

Be aware that missing practice for any reason may affect playing time. This is not punishment, but because players who are at practice will get better and deserve to be on the court.

- 2. Sportsmanship** – All parents and players are expected to treat teammates, coaches, opponents, and referees with respect, kindness, and care. Anything less will not be tolerated. Please assume that everyone is doing the best they can at any given moment. Think of ways to build people up not tear them down.
- 3. Playing time** – Simply put, everyone will play. That does not, however, mean equal playing time. Playing time will be a factor of effort, skill, tournament, team, and position

needs. Playing time questions will first be discussed between player and coach. If a parent needs more clarification a meeting will include Director, Coaches, Player, and Parents. No discussions at tournaments (ever) or at practice without prior notice and players must be present.

4. **Communication** – Please make sure we (Coaches and Director) have your best contact info (phone and email). We often have last-minute changes and need quick answers. Text will be primary contact. Prompt responses are important and greatly appreciated.

5. **Grievance Policy/Procedures**

- **Purpose** The purpose of this grievance policy is to provide a fair and transparent process for addressing and resolving grievances within Edge Volleyball Club. We are committed to maintaining a positive and inclusive environment for all participants and ensuring that any concerns or complaints are dealt with promptly and effectively.
- **Scope** This policy applies to all members, including parents, players, coaches, staff, volunteers, and any other individuals associated with Edge Volleyball Club.
- **Definition of Grievance** Any complaint or concern raised by a team member regarding perceived unfair treatment, violation of team policies, or any other issue related to the team environment or interactions.
- **Informal Resolution** Whenever possible, grievances should be resolved informally and at the lowest appropriate level (coach). Team members are encouraged to address their concerns directly with the individual(s) involved to seek resolution through open and honest communication.
- **Formal Grievance Procedure** If an informal resolution is not possible or the issue remains unresolved, the following formal grievance procedure should be followed:
 - a. **Written Complaint:** The team member should submit a written complaint outlining the nature of the grievance, including the date, time, and any relevant details. The complaint should be submitted to the coach and Director. (Via email)
 - b. **Investigation:** Upon receipt of the written complaint, the Director will initiate an investigation, which may involve gathering relevant information, interviewing involved parties, and considering any supporting documentation or evidence.
 - c. **Confidentiality:** All parties involved in the investigation shall treat the matter with utmost confidentiality. Information shared during the grievance process should only be disclosed on a need-to-know basis.
 - d. **Resolution:** The Director will make every effort to resolve the grievance within a reasonable timeframe. The resolution may involve mediation (parent board), disciplinary action, policy clarification, or any other appropriate measures deemed necessary.
 - e. **Appeal:** If the team member is not satisfied with the resolution, they may submit an appeal in writing to the Parent Board. The appeal should clearly state the reasons for dissatisfaction with the initial resolution. The designated authority will review the appeal and may choose to conduct further investigations or take other appropriate action.
 - Retaliation against any team member who raises a grievance in good faith or participates in the grievance process is strictly prohibited. Any form of retaliation will be subject to disciplinary action.

- Documentation and Record Keeping All grievances, investigations, resolutions, and appeals should be documented and kept on file for 1 year. Confidentiality will be maintained in handling and storing these records.
- **Review and Updates** This grievance policy will be periodically reviewed and updated as necessary to ensure its effectiveness. Team members will be informed of any changes to the policy.

By following this grievance policy, we aim to foster a respectful and inclusive environment within Edge Volleyball Club and provide a fair process for addressing any concerns or grievances that may arise.

By accepting a position and signing a contract you and your player agree to all stipulations within these documents and all USAV and AAU guidelines for behavior.

Team schedules will vary, we should have a schedule out soon