

Player/Team Selection Process (all age groups)

* The day of tryouts, Vital will select the top kids from each age group
	+ If there is 1 team in an age group, we will take the top 10 players
	+ If there are 2 teams in an age group, we will take the top 20 players
	+ If there are 3 teams in an age group, we will take the top 30 players
* After you have been selected to play for your age group, player and parent will do the following :
	+ Sign letter of commitment
	+ Pay non-refundable deposit
	+ Fill out all paperwork required (letter of commitment, credit card authorization form, USAV Membership Form, Medical Release Form, etc.)
		- All these documents will be emailed to you. Please print, fill out and bring with you to tryouts.
	+ Get fitted for uniforms and apparel
* Attend mandatory parent/player meeting at Champions Hall from 6:30-8:30pm
	+ 11-14s teams – Monday November 6th (after practice)
	+ 15-18s teams – Monday November 13th
* Players will attend and participate in the next two practices the week after tryouts where Vital coaches will be making more evaluations on each player in their age group
	+ 11-14s teams – Wednesday November 1st and Friday November 3rd : 5-7pm
	+ 15-16s teams – Wednesday November 15th and Friday November 17th : 5-7pm
	+ 17-18s team – Wednesday November 15th and Friday November 17th : 7-9pm
* After the two evaluation practices have been completed, Vital coaches will meet on the first Saturday following the two evaluation practices to select teams for their age groups : “Selection Saturday”
	+ 11-14s teams – Saturday November 4th
	+ 15-18s teams – Saturday November 18th
* Teams will be announced via email no later than
	+ 11-14s teams – Sunday November 5th
	+ 15-18s teams – Sunday November 19th
		- Financial agreements will be included in the email and that document is to be filled out and returned to Vital at the next practice
		- A “Team by Team Contact Sheet” will also be included in the email
	+ The first practice after teams have been announced, you will be practicing with your assigned team, teammates, and assigned coaches for the team you have been selected for
* Reasons Behind Using This Process
	+ One reason only – **to do what is in the best interest for the players**
		- Some girls have bad tryouts : Some girls have great tryouts
			* We can get more information on each player to make sure they are placed on the proper team
			* They will have a total of 6 hours to perform rather than 2
		- Allows coaches to make better decisions with bubble kids
			* For a 10 person roster, to make sure players #8-12 are evaluated more precisely and placed on the team that will best fit their needs
			* To avoid putting a kid(s) on a 1s team who shouldn’t have been placed there and would have been better off on the 2s team
				+ And vice versa
		- Allows coaches to not have to rush into decisions within a 2 hour time frame, which could lead to making a wrong decision
		- Allows coaches to evaluate other attributes rather than just overall volleyball skills
			* i.e. listening, attitude, effort, communication, coachability, how they work with others, etc.
		- Allows coaches to make a collective group effort per age group to view and select all the players chosen