

BVSW Girls Volleyball Handbook

H/R Values: Honesty and Respect

The mission of this volleyball program is to compete with integrity and reflect BVSW in our performance, behavior, attitude, and actions on and off the court.

Absences

- Order of BVSW Volleyball Player Priorities: 1. Family, 2. School, 3. Volleyball
- If a player is going to miss a scheduled team activity for any reason, timely communication is mandatory. Certainly, emergencies are dealt with differently.
- A full day of school is required for participation, not including excused absences
- An unexcused absence from Volleyball will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.
- Team/program activities are mandatory for players unless otherwise cleared by the Head Coach or Asst Coach. Please contact a coach with any family emergencies, medical needs, or academic obligations.

Practice Expectations

- Players are expected to be courtside with all gear on before practice.
- Report potential injuries or broken equipment to the coach ASAP.
- No overt displays of anger or disrespect will be allowed during team activities.
- During drills, ALL players are responsible for shagging and keeping volleyballs away from the players actively in the drill.
- If you must leave practice for any reason, please notify a coach.
- Socializing with non-team members during practices is not allowed.
- Phones should not be used during scheduled activities except in the case of an emergency.
- Leave everything better than you find it- this includes the gym!

Eligibility

- Players are required to maintain eligibility as outlined by BVSW policy.
- In case of ineligibility, the player will need to meet with the coach and the specific teacher and discuss a plan of action.

Travel

- Players are expected to wear BVSW attire during travel.
- Players will scan the QR code and check in to the van before departure.
- Phone use will be permitted unless they are becoming a problem.
- If players prefer to ride home with a guardian, please communicate with the coach following the match (a sign-out may be required).

Competition Expectations

- Players are responsible for washing their own uniforms, shoes, and gear.
- Players are expected to treat opposing teams, coaches, and officials with respect at all times.
- There will be no cell phones or food on the bench unless otherwise directed by the coach.
- Players on the bench are expected to demonstrate energy and enthusiasm to the team- you ARE important and essential to team success!

Parent Expectations

- Provide only supportive comments to coaches, officials, and athletes of both teams.
- Parents shall not speak to players, other than their own children, with negative intent.
- **24-hour rule: Parents will be required to wait 24 hours after a player/coach meeting to discuss unresolved conflict. Email only, no phone/texting regarding conflicts.**

Social Media/Group Chat Expectations

- Any disrespectful posts/chats regarding BVSU players, coaches or program staff will be reviewed and subject to disciplinary action including but not limited to match suspension and removal from the team.

Conflict Resolution Tree

First: Player – Coach. If an issue of any kind arises, the player must first establish appropriate time to share their concerns with the coach. This is a chance for players to advocate for themselves, and will be the most valuable for their development as young women. It is suggested that this be 24 hours after issue.

Player – Parent – Coach - Coach: If an issue is not resolved after a player contacts the coach, the parent may contact the coach via email to schedule a meeting at a time when the coach is available. This meeting will include the player, the parent, coach, and one other program coach.

Player – Parent - Coach- Athletic Director: If it is evident that the issue is not resolved by the first two steps, a meeting with the athletic director, coach(es), player, and parent can be scheduled.

Failure to follow these protocols will result in a Player- Parent- Coach- Administration meeting before the player is allowed to return to play at the Varsity Head Coaches Discretion.

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