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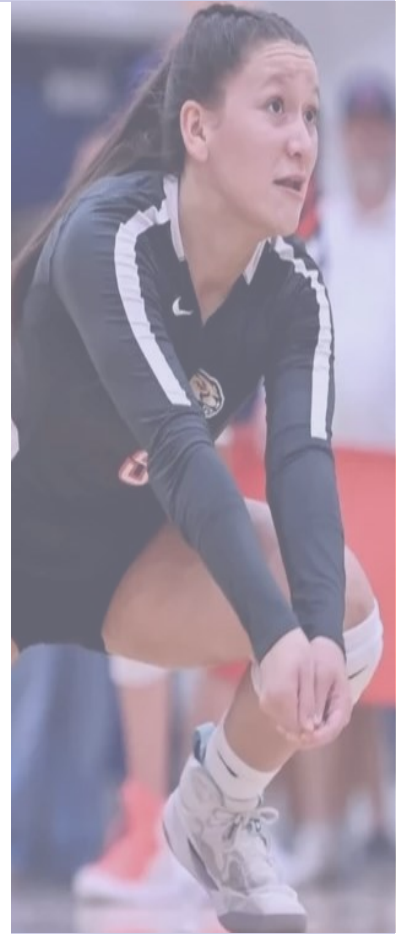


Elite Volleyball Prep Academy

NEWSLETTER

Volleyball News

It's School Volleyball Season!!!



Elite is proud to celebrate the incredible achievements of our athletes, many of whom earned spots on their school volleyball teams this year! Whether they are wearing different jerseys on the court, their dedication skill, and heart remain unmistakably Elite. No matter where they play,



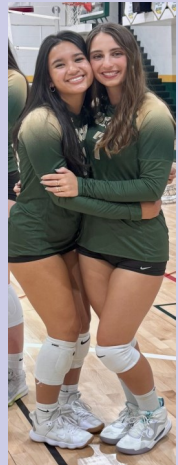
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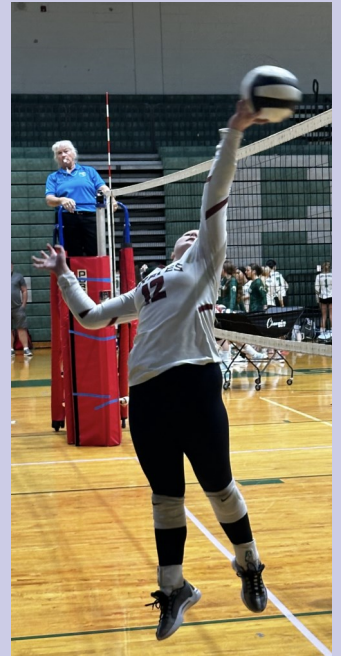
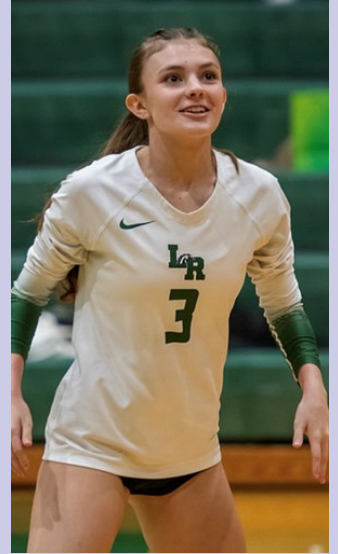
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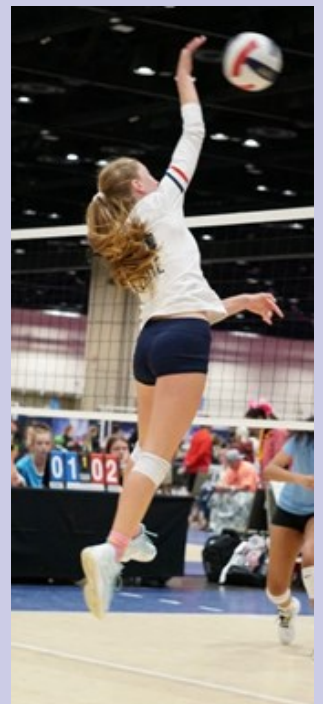
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Fab 15: Sarasota-Manatee's Volleyball Standouts

The Sarasota Herald-Tribune recently unveiled its Fab 15, highlighting the top high school volleyball players to watch as the 2025 season gets underway in Sarasota and Manatee counties.

A huge congratulations to Liza Collier, Charlee Hermann, Sophia Ieruilli, Lyla Bailey and Lily Smith (Honorable Mention), all members of the 17 National Elite Chad team, for earning a spot on this prestigious list!

While voting has officially closed, the buzz around these standout athletes is just beginning. These players are poised to make a major impact this season and could be the driving force behind deep playoff runs and potential championship titles.



Elite Team Registration

<https://elitevball.sportngin.com/register/form/732231091>

Please be sure to register your Elite athlete. You have three options:

- 9 monthly payments (September–May)
- 6 monthly payments (October–March)
- 5 bi-monthly payments (September, November, January, March, May)

Be sure to select the correct division — National, Premier, or Regional — and then choose the appropriate team name (e.g., 16 National Nancy).

USAV/AAU Memberships

Please complete the USAV and AAU memberships before your team's first practice.

USAV direct link: <https://memberships.sportengine.com/org/florida-region-of-usa-volleyball/affiliation/elite-sports-r700/get-membership>

AAU - <https://aausports.org/Join-AAU>—Click the link, select "get a membership" and then choose "apply for youth athlete membership."

To connect your athlete with Elite Volleyball, you'll need our club name and club code. If you've already purchased an AAU membership, simply log in to your account and use the information below to link your athlete to our club.

AAU Club Name - Elite Sports Inc

AAU Club Code - W3E3CY





Missed the Parent Meeting? Watch the Recap Online

If you weren't able to attend the recent parent meeting, we've got you covered. A video recap is now available on our website, featuring key information that Coach Nick wants all parents to know.

The video was recorded during a meeting with the 17 National team, so you'll hear some references to Coach Chad. However, please note that the policies and expectations discussed apply to all teams across the club.

We encourage all parents to take a few minutes to watch the video and stay informed!

<https://www.elitevball.com/page/show/8633139-resources>

Uniform Fittings

Thank you to everyone who participated in our uniform fittings and team meetings day. It was a fantastic turnout! A special thank you to all the parents who generously volunteered their time and helped make the day run smoothly.

Athletes had the opportunity to try on uniforms for proper sizing and connect with their teams during their scheduled meetings. We're excited for the season ahead and grateful for the support from our amazing volleyball community!



Elite Sponsorship and Comarketing Opportunity

Know of an organization interested in sponsoring Elite? Our sponsorship opportunities offer businesses a chance to support the local community while gaining valuable exposure and return on investment. If you own a business or know someone who might be interested, please contact us at

ADMIN@ELITEVBALL.com to learn more.



"Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard." - Tim Notke

Fundraisers

Elite is exploring opportunities for our athletes to raise money to help offset upcoming tournament costs. We've been in contact with fundraising companies like Booster and are working to find the best and most effective options for our athletes and their families. More information will be shared soon!

Skills Classes and Clinics

Sign up for skills classes and clinics before they're full! <https://www.elitevball.com/registerhere>

Practice Schedules/Calendar

Coming Soon!

Tournament Schedule

Coming Soon!



Elite Spirit Day

Do you own a business and wish to host our next Elite Spirit Day?

All proceeds donated to Elite will help benefit future programs and events.

Please email your business information to Jgilmour@elitevball.com.

Muhammad Ali

Muhammad Ali, born Cassius Clay, was a boxing legend and a global icon of courage. After winning Olympic gold in 1960, he became heavyweight champion of the world. But in 1967, Ali refused to fight in the Vietnam War due to his beliefs, sacrificing his titles and facing a ban from boxing. His bold stand made him a symbol of conviction and civil rights.

Ali returned to the ring and re-claimed his title, winning historic matches like the "Rumble in the Jungle." Even after retiring, he inspired millions through humanitarian work and his unwavering spirit. His story shows that true greatness comes from standing up for what's right—even when it costs everything.



Meet the Coach!

We are excited to announce that our community of volleyball athletes at Elite is expanding, and so is our exceptional coaching team!

Each month, we will spotlight a few of our coaches, giving you the opportunity to get to know them better!



MEET THE COACH

NICK BEHRENS

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR/COACH



FUN FACT: Pizza was the first word I ever said.

FAVORITE VOLLEYBALL MEMORY: Winning my high schools first ever volleyball championship, celebrating with my coach and handing her the trophy. I had promised her I'd make that happen 2 years earlier. Tied with: Making the final 4 at AAU Nationals last year with my 12's team.

QUOTE I LIVE BY: It is a foolish person who spends their whole life building their castle for in the end they have no one to share it with. It is a very wise person who spends their life building their home in the hearts of others for they are never alone.

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MEET THE COACH

PERRY KENDRICK

HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH AND
CLUB OPERATIONS MANAGER



FUN FACT: I love to watch Anime, Sing karaoke, and eat wings - prefer flats only.

FAVORITE VOLLEYBALL MEMORY: First that comes to mind is playing in a sand 6s league. Championship match, I got a diving dig from arguably the best hitter in that league; it turned into an overpass and went right back to that hitter, he swung again, and I got a second dig whist still on the ground.

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MEET THE COACH

TIAGO CAMPOS

ASSOCIATE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR/
MASTER COACH



FUN FACT: I love being with friends and cooking Picanha for them!

FAVORITE VOLLEYBALL MEMORY: Best volleyball memory was winning 2nd place at Nationals with my 16s and 3rd place at Nationals with my 13s!!

QUOTE I LIVE BY: Do better than yesterday!!

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Volunteers Needed

Elite is excited to announce our new PEO and volunteer group to bring the very best experience to our families and athletes. This PEO will continue to drive a relentless pursuit of excellence for Sarasota Volleyball year after year.

If you would like to help deliver the best possible volleyball experience for your family and athlete, [click here: to join our Elite](#)



PEO workstreams and volunteers:

- Fundraising
- Recruiting Office
- Player Development and Curriculum
- Apparel and Uniforms
- Equipment
- Travel
- Social Events
- Video and Streaming
- Coach Development and Feedback
- Social and Digital Media
- Family/Player Advocacy and Conflict Resolution Office
- Finance and Accounting
- Information Technology
- Planning and Communication
- Nutrition
- Health and Mental Health
- Sports Performance
- Tournaments and Selection
- Best Practices and Industry Alignment
- Facilities



If you haven't already done so, please join our **BAND** to stay updated on all communications and upcoming events: <https://band.us/n/a2a9A4dfh946y>

Not seeing Elite communications? Check your spam folder and make sure you're receiving emails from our Elite email address : Admin@elitevball.com

If you'd like to share pictures for inclusion in the next newsletter, please email them to:

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