

WEVA Junior Girls Ranking/Seeding System

Overview:

Regional rankings for regional tournaments and for reporting to USA Volleyball will be based upon a mathematical system of points. These points will be awarded based upon three key factors:

- Level of the Tournament – Scaled 1-6
- Age Level of the Tournament – Scaled 3.5-.5
- Percentile of Placement the Team Finished
(Rank / Number of Teams)

All tournaments will be verified by the WEVA Rankings Coordinator, and results will be entered for ALL teams not just those who submitted. Only tournaments that record a final ranking and a declared first place team will count towards the rankings.

It is important that clubs submit results promptly and accurately. The results are used throughout the year for seeding teams into local events (not just the BID Qualifier event). ALL WEVA teams MUST submit results online for all events outside the region. ALL WEVA events where club directors report the results will be entered by the Junior Program Director.

Impact on Rankings / Seeding:

Ranking: Overall year-end and monthly rankings will be determined by average points.

Seeding: The seeding utilized for WEVA sanctioned events will be average points, with exception of the BID tournament. Club directors will be requested to submit head to head results against teams interested in being considered for participation in that event. Acceptance into the BID Qualifier will be determined by multiple factors: Average points, similar tournament finishes, head to head results and strength of tournaments played in. The event committee will advise all club directors of the seeding meeting. There is an open invitation for club directors and coaches to attend the meeting.

For the bid tournament, here is how teams will be allowed to enter:
No teams will be allowed to enter after the deadline posted for the event. No

teams will be contacted to fill out an age bracket. Only teams that submitted paperwork and payment will be allowed to participate. In addition, players/teams will only be allowed to participate in the tournament if they meet the following requirements:

- 18 and under teams/players must play in at least one WEVA sanctioned event prior to the BID Qualifier
- 17, 16, 15 and 14 and under teams/players must play in at least two WEVA sanctioned events prior to the BID Qualifier
- 18, 17, 16, 15 and 14 and under teams must play in a minimum number of four USA sanctioned tournaments prior to the BID Qualifier
- 12 and 13 under teams must play in a minimum number of two USA sanctioned tournaments prior to the BID Qualifier

12/13 and under teams – all teams meeting the requirements will be allowed to participate.

All other age groups – up to 8 teams will be allowed to participate in each age group. If the number of teams interested in participating exceed the number of teams allowed, play in matches may be considered by the committee for the eighth and final spot awarded. In addition, if the number of teams registered in WEVA for any age group is significantly low (historically the 15/17 age groups) and five teams are interested in participating the committee will review the strength of the teams and may consider only allowing 4 teams entry to avoid 5 team pools in the event. The committee will be responsible for the annual evaluation of registered teams and use appropriate discretion in their final decisions for allowed entry into the BID Qualifier event.

Tournament Levels:

Tournaments are divided into 6 categories, as noted below. Any tournament can be added into the listing (see rankings spreadsheet for full list), the assigned ranking is completed prior to March 1 by the Junior Sub-Committee.

Level 6:

Open division national qualifier or tournament with multiple, nationally ranked teams. For Example:

- National Qualifiers - OPEN
- North Coast Power League
- JVA World Challenge - OPEN
- USA Nationals - Open

Level 5:

- USA Nationals – National/USA Division
- Chicago/SPRI Tourney-Open
- National Qualifiers – USA

Level 4:

Any club division national qualifier or tournament in a top ranked region. For Example:

- National Qualifiers - American
- Las Vegas Invitational
- MAPL Championships
- JVA World Challenge – CLUB
- North Coast Power League #2
- USA Nationals – American
- USA Nationals –Patriot
- JVDA Invite
- OVR National Challenges

Level 3:

Higher level in-region and out of region tourneys – key is number of teams, number of clubs and general strength of tourney. For Example

- PVA 18, 17, 16
- Happy Volley - Open
- Shamrock Festival
- Central Zone Shoot Out
- MAPL Events
- National Qualifiers - Select
- Dayton Cup – Open
- Women’s WEVA Events
- Premier Invite
- JVA Events
- OVR American Challenges
- BNCC CAN-AM
- Capitol Hill Classic – Open
- Hocus Pocus 18’s/16’s
- ECC – Beat of the East
- Winter Challenge 18, 16
- Rust Belt Challenge

Level 2:

In-region or out of region tourneys that have a majority of the top regional teams, but not many clubs or strength of schedule. For Example:

- BID Qualifier
- Great Nor'Easter (Albany)
- New England Mizuno Winterfest OPEN
- ECC - Select
- Dayton Cup – Patriot/American
- Happy Volley - Club
- Spire Institute Tournaments
- Capitol Hill Classic – Club/Patriot
- PVA – 15, 14
- MLK Tournament – OPEN
- Rhode Island Rumble – OPEN

Level 1:

In region tourneys, generally intended for increased play – but mostly consisting of 1 or 2 clubs, and or not including a majority of the top teams.

- WEVA Events (Rally, Festival)
- Baystate Tourney
- Hocus Pocus 14's, 12's
- Winter Challenge 17's, 15's -14's, 12's
- MLK Club
- New England Mizuno Winterfest - Club
- Finger Lakes Wildcat Tournaments
- Southern Tier Invite
- OVR Regional Challenges
- BNCC Tournaments
- Xtreme Challenge Tournaments
- DigFest Tournament
- Rhode Island Rumble Club

Point Determination:

To find out how many points teams will receive, multiply the level by the percentile points. The percentile points for level 1 and 2 events are as follows:

Winner		15 points
Runner-up		12 points
Non Winner / Runner-up	1-10%	10 points
	11-20%	9 points
	21-30%	8 points
	31-40%	6 points
	41-50%	4 points
	51-60%	3 points
	61-75%	1 point
	76% & up	0 points

The percentile points for level 3 events and above are as follows:

Winner		20 points
Runner-up		17 points
Non Winner / Runner-up	1-10%	15 points
	11-20%	12 points
	21-30%	10 points
	31-40%	8 points
	41-50%	5 points
	51-60%	4 points
	61-75%	2 point
	76% & up	0 points

If there are 8 teams or less in the tournament, straight percentage points are utilized instead of the “winner” and “runner-up” point values, regardless of finish.

Some FAQs:

If players from other teams play on your team, how do you record the results?

The team that is registered with the tournament would have had to be under a specific WEVA / USA Volleyball number. That number is the key to how / where the results are recorded. If rosters are altered where it results in significantly changing the strength of the original team those results should not be recorded as points earned. Please advise WEVA Junior Coordinator and WEVA rankings Coordinator (may be the same person) when teams are entered into tournaments with altered rosters.

If you play up in an age division, does that get additional points?

Yes, each age grouping has a rating, the rating score is associated with the tournament team age. Since all teams have the opportunity to play within their age, younger teams are not hurt by a lower rating – for example the 12s have a .5 rating, while the 18s have a 3.5 rating.

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Examples:

At the Finger Lakes Winter Challenge II (Rating of 1 for level of tournament),
Premiere 16-2 places tied for 3rd out of 10 teams (to earn 8 points for 21-30% of
total field for a level one event)

16s tournament = 2.5 age level scale factor

$1 * 8 * 2.5 = 20$ points for Premiere 16-2 – EDIT FOR NUMBER OF TEAMS /

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