

2017-2018 JO Registration Information

Key Dates...

Smash Registration Opens

October 1st, 2017

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Smash JO Online Registration Deadline

Thursday, November 9th

Open Gym

Sunday, October 22nd

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

ARC (East Farmington)

Pre-tryout Practice

Sunday, November 5th

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Location Somerset Elem.

An informational meeting will be at the start of the November 5th open gym!

Tryouts

Sunday, November 12th

Location – NR Middle School

Times for age groups

13s/14s...9:00 am-11:00 am

15s/16s...11:00 am-1:00 pm

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The Western Wisconsin Volleyball Association (WWVA) was created to develop and educate amateur athletes in the skills, techniques, and knowledge of the sport of volleyball. In addition to developing fundamental skills and techniques, the WWVA also provides athletes the opportunity to play at the Junior Olympic level via Western Wisconsin Smash. This level of play is intended for the devoted athlete looking to take their volleyball career to the varsity level and beyond. Dedication and attendance at practices and tournaments will affect playing time, as well as overall skill level. Though the WWVA strongly supports multi-sport athletes, involvement in other sports during the Smash season may reduce success at this level. Review your schedules to make sure the five-month commitment is right for your athlete.

Registration: It is our preference that all players register online prior to **November 9th, 2017**.

Online registration is available at www.volleyball.com on **October 1st, 2017**.

- Pre-try out registration: \$20 non-refundable Smash fee, plus \$10 USVA tryout fee (paid online)
- Walk-ins: \$30 Smash fee due day of tryouts, plus \$10 USVA tryout fee (paid online)
 - Tryout T-shirt will be given to all players on day of tryouts.

Age classifications: Players must be born on or after the following dates...

13s - 9/1/2004

14s - 9/1/2003

15s - 9/1/2002

16s-9/1/2001

Tryouts: Sunday, November 12th New Richmond Middle School (9 am – 1 pm)

13s/14s...9:00 am-11:00 am and 15s/16s...11:00 am-1:00 pm

Pre-registration is highly recommended! There must be a minimum of 15 players trying out in each age group to hold tryouts for that age. An email will be sent out to parents on November 10th if there are not enough girls registered at a particular age group.

All players must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Tryouts will take approximately 1 ½ hours. Teams will be selected at the conclusion of each age group's tryout. If offered a position on the team, player and parent will be asked to sign a letter of commitment upon accepting the offer.

Making the Team and Membership Fees*:

- 13s & 14s - **\$695** (December - mid April)
- 15s & 16s - **\$645** (December - mid March)

* \$50 (less your \$10 tryout fee) of your membership will need to be paid directly to USVA online. (example: \$645 to Smash and \$50 to USVA for a total of \$695 for the 13s/14s)

Full payment can be made the day of tryouts. Personal checks are preferred; however, credit or debit card option will be available with a service fee. If not paid in full, a minimum of **\$325** will be due at tryouts should your daughter be offered a place on the team and you accept. The remaining balance will be due on/before January 5th, 2018. Due to the financial commitment required to facilitate this program – WWVA requires payment remain in "good standing". **Absolutely no refunds.**

Failure to meet the financial membership obligations will result in removal from the team and may result in the decline of future membership opportunities.

The membership fee covers league fees, tournament fees, coaches, strength & agility training, gym space, player registration fees, equipment, uniforms (jersey, socks, warm-up jacket and pants) and background checks for all coaches and staff. Fundraisers will be coordinated throughout the year to off-set the additional costs associated with running this program. A \$75 fundraiser commitment is required. Options include pizza sales or buy-out.

Season Overview:

- *Practice:* Practice will start the week of November 26th. There will be 2-3 practices per week, along with strength training during practice. Practices will be held at New Richmond School District gyms or the ARC (Association Retreat Center) in East Farmington.
- *Competition:* Teams will compete every other weekend (Saturday and/or Sunday) beginning in January. 13s-16s will also compete in the Presidents Day Tournament in February.

If you have any questions or concerns before tryouts or during the season please contact the WWVA (wwva.volleyball@gmail.com).