



KY BOYS HSVB: SPRING 2020

The Kentucky Volleyball Coaches Association would like to continue its mission of growing high school boys volleyball. In the Spring of 2019, a small group of programs were able to start their program. In 2020, the goal is to go from 6 programs to more than 20. With the support of high school coaches across the state, we achieve this goal and eventually add boys high school volleyball as a championship sport in the KHSAA!

Mission: To create opportunities and support boys playing volleyball in Kentucky High Schools. The KVCA will provide a lowcost league and administrative assistance to relieve the amount of responsibility and functions in the school Athletic Departments.

GROW THE GAME IN 2020:

CHECKLIST FOR STARTING A TEAM

1. Decide who will be the Team Director. Can be a coach, parent, administrator ect.
2. Discuss adding a team with the high school AD
3. Investigate the process to create a boys' volleyball team within high school framework
4. Host open gym/meeting with potential athletes and gauge interest
5. Determine who will coach the team
6. Formulate a budget template. KVCA provides a sample template to work from.
7. Submit application to the proper approving authority at the high school
8. Determine your gym availability for both practice and competition dates
9. Contact the KVCA to inform of your participation. ***Deadline is February 7 for this confirmation.***
10. Contact other coaches in region to participate and potentially schedule
11. Submit schedule to the KVCA. ***Deadline is March 2***
12. Begin practice in February and play in March.



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WHAT'S ALREADY DONE!

The KVCA eases the start up by streamlining processes and reducing affordability barriers.

- **Flyers and Interest Sign Up Sheet:** Share the signup sheet with boys in your school to build interest
- **Team Budget Template:** Fill in according to YOUR school's needs to estimate YOUR player fee / club team dues
- **KVCA Website:** League Standings Will Be Available and Coaches Corner with Checklists and Resource Center

STARTING A TEAM IN 2020: **SUGGESTED TIMELINE AND COURSE OF ACTION** *(DISCLAIMER: All dates subject to change)*

TIMING	TASK	SUGGESTED COURSE OF ACTION
Aug – Oct 2019	Find a Team Director and/or coach	Could be the same person or 2 different people
	Talk to Your AD, Community Ed, or Park & Rec Department	Investigate a School Approved Boys Volleyball Club. There can be cost breaks and gym prioritization by being a school approved club as opposed to an association club, but any will work.
Sept - Nov 2019	Rally and Promote Boys VB during the Girls' Season!	Get Girls Team INVOLVED and rally boys to give it a try!
	Host an Open Gym and Info Mtg	Set Up Fall/Winter Open Gym Dates to gauge interest, collect names/emails, and discuss season
	Consider Fundraising Options	Charge minimal admission for a Kick-Off In-House Tourney, Start Team Go Fund Me Site, Etc. What local organizations could sponsor the team...eg Alumni Association, Lions Club, etc.

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TIMING	TASK	SUGGESTED COURSE OF ACTION
Nov 8-10, 2019	Attend KY Boys HSVB League Info Night at Girls State Championship	Valley High School in Louisville (exact Date/Time TBD) - Gather info and ask questions about the 2020 season
Jan, 2020	Participate in KY Boys HSVB 2020 Season Kick-Off Mtg	Location, Date, Time TBD. , May also be an online webinar to allow more participation.
Dec – Feb 2020	Host Your Info Mtg & Tryouts/Open Gyms	
Feb 7, 2020	Team Registration Deadline	Contact Brad Wilson at bradley.wilson@avca.org to confirm your team's inclusion.
Feb 7, 2020	Practice Begins	Suggested Pre-Season Practice Start Date- This may vary for each School depending on Spring Break and personalized schedules
March 2, 2020	Deadline to submit team match schedule	Contact Brad Wilson at bradley.wilson@avca.org with team's schedule.
March 9, 2020	First Competitions Begin	3 out of 5 format – JV & V – 1 Match each per night
May TBD, 2020	2020 End of Season Tournament Event	Varsity Teams face off in end of season tournament. Date and location TBD.

FAQ'S

1. Who do I contact if I am interested in starting a team?

A: Contact Brad Wilson (Bradley.wilson@avca.org) at the KVCA.

2. How do I convince my administration to permit boys volleyball?

A: First – talk to the athletic administration about starting a boy's volleyball program. Explain that with current equipment and gym space, cost will be minimal to add a team. Consider garnering interest from boys at the school and bring a list of names when speaking to the AD.

Get permission for a team and become a School Approved Club. Find out when you can use gym space and existing PE or girls volleyball equipment. The KVCA can assist with supportive information or speaking with your AD directly, if needed.

3. What advantage is there to being a School Approved Club?

A: Many schools offer “perks” such as prioritized gym use and reduced fees for gym time to its clubs that have been formally approved by the School. Ask your Activities Department how it works in your school.

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4. Is there league fee?

A: No, the KVCA will not require a league fee to participate in year. However, there will be costs associated with providing insurance for you team.

5. What are the insurance options?

- **Pioneer Region** – The Pioneer Region approved a membership structure in which all athletes and coaches can acquire a region membership for \$10. Coaches would also need to pay for and go through a background screening (approximately \$16). The membership would insure all athletes and coaches at all practices and competitions that include Pioneer region members. A team of 12 athletes and 1 coach is looking at about \$146 in total insurance fees.

6. What is the Player Cost and what does it cover?

A: Individual Player Dues are typically used to cover the expense of uniforms, tournament entry fees, coaches, equipment, etc. EVERY program is different. This is not the league fee. Use the sample budget found in the [Coaches Corner](#) to figure out team cost.

7. How long and when is the boy's volleyball season?

A: Boys' Volleyball is a spring sport. Pre-Season practice begins in February with the first competition early mid-March and state tournament event in May. You determine your own practice schedule, however we recommend starting no later than February 10.

8. How many games and practices will there be?

A: 10-13 Competition Dates (1- 3 of 5 set match per date for JV and Varsity teams), 1-3 Practices/Week

9. How do I schedule matches once I have permission to have a team?

A: TBD. The KVCA will share contact information with registered teams so that teams can begin to confirm opponent dates. It might make sense to form travel partners and host events where 3 teams play each other in a round robin fashion.

10. Where can I find additional information?

A: Go to the website, <http://www.kvca.org/KYBoysVolleyball.aspx>.

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