

PIONEER REGION

PARENT INFORMATION

From Pioneer Region – a region of USA Volleyball

The Pioneer Region is unable to contact the parents of our junior athletes until after they have joined a junior club. You should read these statements before you make a commitment to a junior club and your USA Volleyball registration is complete.

We are proud of how far our region junior clubs have come. Remember occasionally there can be a misunderstanding between athletes, parents, coaches, and leaders of our junior clubs/teams. If a problem does develop, your first line of communication should be to contact the club director, schedule an appointment, and discuss any problem you may encounter. You should sign contracts with your club of choice, as well as the ON-LINE USA Volleyball membership form, Waiver & Release, and Code of Conduct and agree that you read this information. We urge you not only to read and understand all before you sign but also to keep a copy for your own reference.

Tryout and membership fees are non-refundable.

Be Very Aware!

Once your athlete registers with a Junior Club the athlete is "committed to that club" for the USA Volleyball – Pioneer Region season. No club director, coach, or anyone (this includes parents) representing another club/team is to approach you or the athlete about transferring to another club at any time during the season. The season in our area begins with the day a player registers with a club, signing a contract, and ends with the completion of the USAV Junior National Championship that is contested in June/July of each year. There can be, on a **VERY** rare occasion, a limited transfer to another club allowed due to extenuating circumstances. Those limited transfers come with major restrictions and may require paperwork from the parent of the athlete, the existing club director and the new club director. The transfer can limit the athlete from participating in any National event for the rest of the season.

Be alert as a parent!

The Pioneer Region does not interfere in club business unless there is felt to be unethical practices. If a coach or club director promises college scholarships, exotic trips for tournaments, outside weight training, extensive incentives that seem beyond reality...**GET IT IN**WRITING!! If the region has paperwork to investigate any improper incentives, it helps the He Said-She Said scenario. Remember there is no mandatory playing time granted by any club. Do not contact the region as this is a club issue.

Any player reported to the Pioneer Region office for non-payment of fees to a Pioneer Region club during a previous season MAY BE Placed on Hold and may not be able to be registered until a settlement is reached with the previous club. Due process is always available.

The Pioneer Region has a very strong junior program. These programs can be a very positive experience for your junior player. If you have any questions, please contact the Pioneer Region Asst. Commissioner/Registrar, Nancy Funk (NFunk@twc.com).

Have a wonderful season of Volleyball!!!