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All nomination links and any updates to the Postseason Awards program or timeline will be published on:

https://www.avca.org/award/avca-division-i-womens-all-region-all-america-region-and-national-coaches-of-the-year-nominations/

AWARDS CHANGES: Throughout the awards packet, all new changes for the 2025 season are highlighted in yellow.

2025 AVCA Division I Postseason Awards Timetable

Wednesday, November 19 - AVCA Top 25, Top 50 and Top 100 Teams Released

- This list will be e-mailed to AVCA member head coaches and SIDs and posted on the AVCA web site. ONLY
 teams on this list are to be considered when compiling summary statistics for Top 100 and Top 50 in the
 postseason awards process.
- On the Tuesday prior to the announcement of the teams, the AVCA will collect the most recent poll results
 from the RPI, Massey, KPI, and Pablo rankings and identify the 50 teams that appear most often and the 100
 teams that appear most often across all 4 polls. The groupings will be named the AVCA Top 50 and AVCA
 Top 100 teams.

Monday, November 24 thru Sunday, November 30 - Student-Athlete Nominations Accepted

Nominations will be accepted online beginning at 8 a.m. (ET) on Monday, November 24 through 3:00 p.m. (ET) on Sunday. November 30.

Monday, December 1 thru Wednesday, December 3 – Head Coaches Vote for All-Region Teams

 AVCA member coaches will vote for the All-Region Teams through an online link provided by the AVCA. Ballots will be available to submit between 8 a.m. (ET) on Monday, December 1 through 5 p.m. (ET) on Wednesday, December 3

<u>Please Note</u>: Coaches will be unable to vote for their own players and coaches must vote in order for their players to be elected to an All-Region Team.

Wednesday, December 3 – Region Coach of the Year and National Assistant Coach of the Year Nominations Due

- AVCA Region Coach of the Year nominations due to AVCA Office.
- AVCA National Assistant Coach of the Year nominations due to AVCA Office.

Monday, December 8 - Region Conference Calls

AVCA All-Region and Region Coach of the Year Committee conference calls.

Tuesday, December 9 - Region Awards Announced

AVCA All-Region Teams (one 14-person team and six honorable mention players per region), Region Freshmen
of the Year and AVCA Region Coaches of the Year announced via AVCA press release. The AVCA press
release will serve as the notification to all award winners that they have been selected.

Thursday, December 11 @ 5:00 pm (ET) – Deadline to submit 2 sets per All-Region athlete for consideration for AVCA All-American consideration.

Hudl Volleymetrics is making their entire video database available to the committee for use in their evaluation of nominees. Coaches of All-Region selections will select two sets showcasing their All-America candidate to the AVCA for viewing by the committee. If a requested set is not yet included in the Hudl Volleymetrics database, Volleymetrics will allow the program to upload video from this set free of charge. Programs that fail to pick two sets for the committee to review will have their sets chosen by the All-American Committee. No athlete will be disqualified from All-American consideration due to video issues.

Monday & Tuesday, December 15-16 - Division I Awards Committee Meetings

AVCA All-America and Coach of the Year Committee meetings

Wednesday, December 17 - All-America Teams Announced

 AVCA All-America Teams and National Freshman of the Year announced via AVCA press release. (14 studentathletes per first, second team, and third team).

Thursday, December 18 - USMC/AVCA National Coach of the Year Announced

 AVCA National Coach of the Year announced, and National Assistant Coach of the Year presented at AVCA Coaches Honors Luncheon.

Friday, December 19 – AVCA National Player of the Year Announced

• AVCA Division I Player of the Year announced via press release.

2025 Awards Changes

New AVCA Position Specific Awards

This fall, the AVCA is introducing position specific awards to bring more recognition to some of college volleyball's top athletes. These new awards include:

- Outside Hitter of the Year
- Middle Blocker of the Year
- Rightside Hitter of the Year
- Setter of the Year
- Libero of the Year

The award selections will be determined by the All-American Committee and celebrated at the All-American Banquet on Friday, December 19. Winners will not be shared prior to the banquet.

No "Co" Award Winners

The AVCA will not be selecting "co" winners of any award offering it provides. This includes Region Coaches and the Year and Players of the Year. All award selections will be awarded to a singular person.

Increasing All-Region Voting on each Ballot

The AVCA will now require coaches to vote for 20 athletes instead of 14 on their All-Region voting ballot. This change will allow coaches to better vote for the athletes named to the All-Region team and those named All-Region Honorable Mention. When coaches could only vote for 14 athletes, members were unable to properly weigh in on the Honorable Mention selections.

AVCA Division I Postseason Awards Committees

The following coaches have been chosen to participate on the spring 2025 AVCA Postseason Awards Committees. (Number in parenthesis indicates years on committee.)

AVCA ALL-REGION & REGION **COACH OF** THE YEAR **COMMITTEES** Central Region

Lauren Ramatowski, Tulsa - OK (chair) Jim Barnes, Iowa - IA Brian Gerwig, Arkansas State – AR Kristi Gray, Louisiana – LA Will Compton, Lindenwood – MO Jason Mansfield, Kansas St – KS

East Coast Region

Kimberly Lamber, Delaware – DE (chair) Tim Walsh, Coppin St – MD Megan Wargo-Kearney, NC State – NC Alex Hinsey, Gardner-Webb – NC Steve Opperman, Duquesne – PA Josh Steinback, Villanova – PA Ryan Adams, William & Mary – VA Tim Doyle, VCU – VA

Midwest Region

Kelli Miller Phillips, Ball State – IN (chair) Steve Florio, Purdue Fort Wayne – IN Alicia Williams, Bradley - IL Chris Tamas, Illinois – IL Christy Pfeffenberger, Xavier – OH Travers Green, Wright State - OH Jen Greeny, West Virginia - WV

North Region Erin Virtue, Michigan - MI (chair) Shannon Thompson, Seton Hall – NJ Nancy Somera, Fairfield - CT Craig Martin, Stonehill - MA Kevin Maureen Campbell, Dartmouth – NH Scott Smith, Buffalo – NY Allie Yaeger, Binghamton – NY Theresa Garlacy, Bryant – RI Abbey Sutherland, Wisconsin Green Bay – Colleen Munson, Western Michigan - MI

Northwest Region

Leanne Williamson, South Dakota – SD (chair) Sean Carter, Idaho St – ID Jesse Tupac, North Dakota – ND Korey Schroeder, Washington St – WA Keegan Cook, Minnesota – MN Allison Lawrence, Montana – MT Megan Burton, Portland – OR

Pacific Region

Branden Higa, Cal Baptist – CA (chair) Jen Malcolm, Cal – CA Leisa Rosen, Fresno St – CA Greg Gibbons, Pacific – CA Matt Jones, UCSB – CA JJ Van Niel, Arizona St – AZ

South Region

Bre Henry, Ole Miss – MS (chair) Tristan Johnson, North Alabama – AL Keylor Chan, Samford – AL Jenny Hazelwood, Southern Miss - MS Cheri Lindsay, Memphis – TN Julie Torbett Thomas, Chattanooga - TN Kyrsten Becker-McBride, Morehead St – KY Travis Hudson, Western Kentucky – KY

Southeast Region

Jackie Simpson-Kirr, Clemson – SC (chair) Kristen Wright, North Florida - FL Brittany Williams, Bethune-Cookman - FL Ryan Theis, Florida – FL Chad Willis, Georgia Southern – GA Michelle Collier, Georgia Tech – GA Melissa Paige, South Carolina State – SC Heather Gearhart, Winthrop – SC

Southwest Region

Jason Williams, TCU- TX (chair) Tony Grayston, Texas Tech - TX Carol Price-Torok, UTSA - TX Sam Erger, SMU – TX Ben Wallis, UTEP – TX Sean Huiet, Texas State – TX

West Region

Rob Neilson, Utah State – UT (chair) Emily Kohan, Colorado State – CO Matt Buttermore, Nebraska Omaha – NE Malia Shoji, UNLV – NV Kaylee Prigge, Wyoming - WY

AVCA ALL-AMERICA & NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR **COMMITTEE**

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2025 AVCA Regional Alignment

Beginning last fall, the AVCA will debuted a new DI Awards Regional Alignment based upon state lines instead of conference memberships. Here are the teams in each region sorted alphabetically by state first and team name second:

Central Region (AR, IA, KS, LA, MO, OK)

Arkansas Arkansas State Arkansas Little Rock Arkansas Pine Bluff Central Arkansas Drake lowa Iowa State Northern Iowa Kansas Kansas State Wichita State Grambling Louisiana Louisiana Monroe Louisiana Tech LSU

McNeese State **New Orleans** Nicholls State Northwestern State Southeastern Louisiana Southern University Tulane

Lindenwood Missouri Missouri State Saint Louis SE Missouri State UMKC

Oklahoma Oral Roberts Tulsa

East Coast Region (DE, MD, NC, PA, VA)

Delaware Delaware State Coppin State Loyola (MD) Maryland UMES Morgan State Navy Towson UMBC

Appalachian State Campbell Charlotte Davidson Duke East Carolina Elon

Gardner-Webb High Point North Carolina North Carolina A&T North Carolina Central North Carolina State

Queens (NC)

UNC-Ashville UNC-Greensboro UNC-Wilmington Wake Forest Western Carolina

Bucknell Duquesne Lafayette Lehigh Mercyhurst Penn Penn State

Pittsburgh

Robert Morris St. Francis (PA) Temple Villanova American George Mason George Washington Georgetown Hampton . Howard James Madison Liberty Norfolk State **Old Dominion** Radford

VCU

Virginia

Virginia Tech

William & Mary

Midwest Region (IL, IN, OH, WV)

Bradley Chicago State DePaul Eastern Illinois Illinois Illinois State Illinois-Chicago Loyola Chicago Northern Illinois Northwestern SIU-Edwardsville Southern Illinois Western Illinois Ball State Butler Evansville Indiana Indiana State IUPUI Notre Dame Purdue

Purdue Fort Wayne Southern Indiana Valparaiso Akron Bowling Green Cincinnati Cleveland State Dayton Kent State Miami (OH) Ohio Ohio State Toledo Wright State Xavier Youngstown State Marshall

West Virginia

North Region (CT, MA, MI, NH, NJ, NY, RI, WI)

Central Connecticut Connecticut Fairfield Quinnipiac Sacred Heart Yale Boston College Harvard Holy Cross Merrimack Northeastern

Stonehill Central Michigan Eastern Michigan Michigan Michigan State Oakland Western Michigan Dartmouth New Hampshire Fairleigh Dickinson NJIT Princeton Rider Rutgers Seton Hall St. Peter's Albany Army Binghamton Buffalo Canisius Colgate Columbia Cornell Fordham Hofstra Iona Le Moyne Long Island Manhattan Marist Niagara Siena St. John's Stony Brook

Syracuse Brown Bryant Providence Rhode Island

Green Bay

Marguette Milwaukee Wisconsin Wisconsin

Northwest Region (ID, MN, MT, ND, OR, SD, WA) **Boise State**

Idaho Idaho State Minnesota St. Thomas (MN) Montana Montana State North Dakota North Dakota State Oregon Oregon State Portland Portland State South Dakota South Dakota State Eastern Washington Gonzaga

Pacific Region (AZ, CA, HI)

Arizona Arizona State **Grand Canvon** Northern Arizona Cal Poly

Seattle

Washington

Washington State

Cal State Bakersfield Cal State Fullerton Cal State Northridge California Cal Baptist Fresno State Long Beach St Loyola Marymount Pacific Pepperdine Sacramento State San Diego San Diego State San Francisco San Jose State Santa Clara St. Mary's (CA) Stanford UC Davis UC Irvine UCLA UC Riverside UC San Diego UC Santa Barbara USC Hawaii

South Region (AL, KY, MS, TN)

Alabama Alabama A&M Alabama State Auburn Jacksonville State North Alabama Samford South Alabama Troy UAB Bellarmine Eastern Kentucky Kentucky Louisville Morehead State Murray State Northern Kentucky Western Kentucky Alcorn State Jackson State Mississippi Mississippi State Mississippi Valley State Southern Miss Austin Peay Belmont Chattanooga East Tennessee State Lipscomb . Memphis Middle Tennessee Tennessee

Southeast Region (FL, GA, SC) Bethune-Cookman

Tennessee State

Tennessee Tech

Vanderhilt

Tennessee Martin

Florida Florida A&M Florida Atlantic Florida Gulf Coast Florida International Florida State Jacksonville

North Florida South Florida Stetson UCF Georgia Georgia Southern Georgia State Georgia Tech Kennesaw State Mercer West Georgia Charleston Charleston Southern Clemson Coastal Carolina Furman Presbyterian South Carolina South Carolina State The Citadel SC Upstate Winthrop Wofford

Miami (FL)

Southwest Region

(NM, TX) New Mexico New Mexico State Abilene Christian Baylor Houston Houston Christian Incarnate Word Lamar North Texas Prairie View Rice Sam Houston State SMU Stephen F Austin TAMU Corpus Christi
Tarleton State TCU TAMU Commerce Texas Texas A&M

Texas Southern **Texas State** Texas Tech **Texas Arlington** Texas Rio Grande

Valley

Texas San Antonio UTEP

West Region (CO, NE, NV, UT, WY)

Air Force Colorado Colorado State Denver Northern Colorado Creighton Nebraska Nebraska Omaha Nevada UNLV BYU Southern Utah Utah Utah State Utah Tech Utah Valley Weber State Wyoming

AVCA Postseason Student-Athlete Awards Information

The AVCA women's volleyball postseason awards program is in its 44th year. The AVCA is proud to honor deserving student-athletes annually by selecting All-Region (one 14-person team and six honorable mention student-athletes per region) and All-America teams (14 student-athletes per a first, second and third team), highlighted by the selection of the AVCA Division I Player of the Year. The AVCA All-America selection committee is comprised of ten members, in addition to the AVCA Awards chairperson (page 3). To ensure geographic representation, these individuals represent the ten AVCA Awards Regions listed on the previous page. The AVCA All-Americans and Division I Player of the Year and Freshman of the Year will be announced via a press release. The AVCA All-Americans and Division I Player of the Year and Freshman of the Year will be recognized at the AVCA All-America/Players of the Year Banquet at the 2025 AVCA Annual Convention in Kansas City. Missouri on **December 19**.

NOMINATING PROCEDURES

The postseason nomination procedure is an online process. There are no restrictions regarding how many student-athletes one team may nominate, as there are no restrictions on the number of student-athletes that one team can have placed on the AVCA All-Region/All-American teams. Please use your professional judgment to <u>only</u> nominate those student-athletes who legitimately have a chance to earn AVCA All-Region honors. The All-Region team members as well as Honorable Mention selections will be considered for All-America first, second, third teams or Honorable Mention by the All-American Committee.

NOMINATION RULES & REQUIREMENTS

The general requirements for nominating a student-athlete for AVCA postseason honors are:

- The student-athlete must meet all eligibility requirements as listed in the rules adopted by her respective institution and collegiate division;
- The student-athlete must be nominated by her institution;
- The student-athlete must have participated in 2/3 (66.7%) of all sets (not matches) during the current season at the time of the nomination deadline;

<u>AVCA Two-Thirds Participation Waiver</u>: Student-Athletes who fail to participate in two-thirds of all sets (not matches) during the current season due to Institution-approved participation in Olympic, Pan American, World Championships or World University Games are eligible for AVCA All-America consideration if all other nomination requirements are met. All regular deadlines, policies and procedures remain in effect. No statistical information may be substituted. The official participation documents must accompany the nomination.

- All deadlines and guidelines must be met for a nomination to be considered NO EXCEPTIONS;
- The student-athlete's head coach must be a member in good standing of the American Volleyball Coaches Association. Head coaches have until Nov. 21, 2025, to become a member or renew their membership to ensure compliance.

TERMS FOR DISQUALIFICATION

Failure to meet the above stated rules and requirements may result in the disqualification of a student-athlete from AVCA All-Region and All-America consideration.

REGION FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR CANDIDATES

Candidates for AVCA Region Freshman of the Year <u>MUST</u> be true freshman. Only one nominee per school is allowed per year. The AVCA National Freshman of the Year will be selected from the ten AVCA Region Freshmen of the Year and any freshman recognized on an All-Region Team (excludes All-Region Honorable Mention selections) Please Note: If a freshman is named as All-Region Honorable Mention, she <u>will</u> <u>not</u> be considered for National Freshman of the Year. She must be named as the Region Freshman of the Year and/or named to the 14-person All-Region.

POSITION SPECIFIC AWARDS

This fall, the AVCA is introducing position specific awards to bring more recognition to some of college volleyball's top athletes. These new awards include:

- Outside Hitter of the Year
- Middle Blocker of the Year
- Rightside Hitter of the Year
- Setter of the Year
- Libero of the Year

The award selections will be determined by the All-American Committee and celebrated at the All-American Banquet on Friday, December 19. Winners will not be shared prior to the banquet.

ALL-REGION/ ALL-AMERICA AWARDS

The All-Region Teams and All-Region ballots do not have positional requirements.

The AVCA will now require coaches to vote for 20 athletes instead of 14 on their All-Region voting ballot. This change will allow coaches to better vote for the athletes named to the All-Region team and those named All-Region Honorable Mention. When coaches could only vote for 14 athletes, members were unable to properly weigh in on the Honorable Mention selections.

Coaches will be able to vote for the 20 most deserving athletes that are not their own. The regional committee will review the votes and name the 14 members All-Region team and the 6 All-Region Honorable Mention selections.. Voting coaches and All-Region Committee members will still be encouraged to have fair representation from all positions.

Once online nominations close on **Sunday**, **November 30**, the AVCA will ready the online regional voting. All AVCA member head coaches will vote for the players they feel are most deserving of the award. The voting will take place from 8 a.m. (ET) on **Monday**, **December 1** through 5 p.m. (ET) on **Wednesday**, **December 3**. Along with the ability to view the individual nominations, coaches will also have access to the AVCA online statistics portal that allows the ability to sort and review key statistics for each position and nominated athlete.

Rules and Notes regarding All-Region Selections

- · Coaches cannot vote for their own players.
- Coaches must vote in order for their players to be considered for the All Region Team.
- Coaches must vote for a total of 20 players. These 20 may be chosen without a limit on the amount selected per position.
- The voting will take place online through a link provided by the AVCA
- Regional Committees will review the voting and name the All-Region teams.
- The athletes that receive the <u>top six vote totals from each region will be automatically assigned to the All-Region Team</u>. In the event of a tie for the sixth automatic selection, the All-Region committee will determine who will receive the automatic selection.
- The vote totals will not be published to the AVCA website. If a head coach would like to inquire about
 the voting results, this request must be made with the region chair. The region chair must provide the
 results as well as a rationale for the selections.

If your student-athlete(s) is named AVCA All-Region or Region Freshman of the Year, notification will be made via a press release on **Tuesday**, **December 9**. ONLY AVCA All-Region award winners will be considered for first, second, or third team All-America status

If your student-athlete(s) is selected AVCA First, Second or Third Team All-America or National Freshman of the Year, head coaches will be notified **December 15-16 via an email from the AVCA staff**. We will need to determine if your AVCA All-American(s) will be attending the awards banquet to receive her award as soon as possible, as the banquet is **Friday**, **December 19**

AWARDS BANQUETS

AVCA National Players of the Year for NCAA Divisions III, II, and I will be announced at each respective banquet.

All NCAA Division I AVCA All-Americans and the National Freshman of the Year will receive an invitation to the AVCA All-America/Players of the Year Banquet on **Friday**, **Dec. 19**, held in conjunction with the AVCA Annual Convention in Kansas City.

<u>First Team</u>: The AVCA will provide the player three nights of hotel accommodations, a daily per diem, a complimentary All-America/Player of the Year banquet ticket, match tickets to the NCAA Women's DI Semi-Final matches, and transportation to scheduled events in Kansas City. **Travel arrangements and expenses to and from Kansas City will be the responsibility of the award winner or her school.** Additional banquet tickets for family and friends may be purchased for \$50 on-site at AVCA Convention Registration.

<u>Second and Third Team</u>: The AVCA will provide the player a complimentary All-America/Player of the Year banquet ticket, match tickets to the NCAA Women's DI Semi-Final matches, and transportation to scheduled events in Kansas City. Travel, hotel room night expenses, and meal money is the responsibility of the award winner or her school. The AVCA will reserve hotel rooms for those Second and Third Team All-Americans travelling to Kansas City. The AVCA will invoice the schools of all Second and Third Team All-Americans who travel to Kansas City. Additional banquet tickets for family and friends may be purchased for \$50 on-site at AVCA Convention registration desk.

Important Reminders for the 2025 AVCA Women's Division I Awards Season

Nomination Window for All-Region Consideration

 Nominations will be accepted from 8 a.m. (ET) on Monday, November 24 through 3:00 p.m. (ET) on Sunday, November 30.

Regional Team Voting

- Ballots will be available to submit between 8 a.m. (ET) on December 1 through 5 p.m. (ET) on Wednesday,
 December 3.
 - Coaches will be unable to vote for their own players and coaches must vote in order for their players to be elected to an All-Region Team.
 - Regional Committees will review the voting results and name the All-Region teams.
 - o If a head coach would like to inquire about the voting results, this request must be made with the region chair. The region chair must provide the results as well as a rationale for the selections.

Video Footage Deadline

 Thursday, December 11 @ 5:00 pm (ET) – Deadline to submit sets for video review for each All-American candidate

Coaches of All-Region selections will select two sets showcasing their All-America candidate to the AVCA for viewing by the committee. If a requested set is not yet included in the Hudl Volleymetrics database, Volleymetrics will allow the program to upload video from this set free of charge. Programs that fail to pick two sets for the committee to review will have their sets chosen by the All-American Committee. **No athlete will be disqualified from All-American consideration due to video issues.**

National Freshman of the Year Selection

- The pool of candidates for National Freshman of the Year consideration will consist of:
 - o The ten Region Freshmen of the Year
 - Any freshman named to an All-Region Team, excluding All-Region Honorable Mention selections

All-America Team Selection

• Candidates for First, Second or Third Team All-America include ONLY All-Region selections

All-America Honorable Mention Selection

- All-American Honorable Mention athletes will be selected by the All-American Committee.
- The committee will mix a group of automatic and "at-large" selections. All nominated athletes that are named Conference Player of the Year will be automatically named AVCA All-America Honorable Mention if she was not named to one of the three AVCA All-America teams. In addition to these automatics, the committee will select 30 "at-large" selections as AVCA All-America Honorable Mention.

No "Co" Award Winners

The AVCA will not be selecting "co" winners of any award offering they provide. This includes Region Coaches and the Year and Players of the Year. All award selections will be award to a singular person.

AVCA Div. I Postseason Student-Athlete Awards Statistical/Selection Criteria

The post-season selection committees will consider the criteria listed below when selecting the postseason honorees. The student athletes will be compared with others of the same position and ranked using the statistics submitted. All calculations should be made using the interpretations found in the NCAA Volleyball Statistics Manual. All statistical data will be considered; however, the importance of each shall be left to the judgment of the selection committees.

IMPORTANT: The statistical averages listed below are meant to serve as guidelines, not firm requirements for all-region and region freshman of the year nominees. The numbers featured below were updated in 2025 by using the averages of All-Region and All-American selections from the past three years. "AR" is short for All-Region, and "AA" is short for All-American.

STATISTICAL AVERAGES (guidelines, not firm minimums)

Attack

- 1. Kills Per Set
 - a. Middle Blockers 2.33 for AR; 2.59 for AA
 - b. Outside Hitters 3.89 for AR; 4.06 for AA
 - c. Right Side Hitter 3.54 for AR; 3.86 for AA
- 2. **Hitting Percentage** (Kills-Errors/Attempt)
 - a. Middle Blockers .381 for AR; .407 for AA
 - b. Outside Hitters .258 for AR; .276 for AA
 - c. Setters .297 for AR; .304 for AA
 - d. Right Side Hitter .281 for AR; .302 for AA
 - 3. Kill Percentage (Kills/Attempt)
 - a. Middle Blockers .495 for AR; .515 for AA
 - b. Outside Hitters .390 for AR; .403 for AA
 - c. Right Side Hitter .427 for AR; .449 for AA
- D. Set (for setters only)
 - 1. **Team Hitting % .272** for AR; .285 for AA
 - 2a. Assists Per Set (5-1) 10.64 for AR; 10.97 for AA
 - 2b. Assists Per Set (6-2 or S/H) 7.50 for AR and AA
- E. Blocks (Per Set)
 - 1. Blocks Per Set
 - a. Middle Blockers 1.21 for AR; 1.31 for AA
 - b. Outside Hitters 0.49 for AR; 0.52 for AA
 - c. Right Side Blockers .80 for AR; .89 for AA
- F. Digs (Per Set)
 - 1. Digs Per Set
 - a. Outside Hitters 2.10 for AR and AA
 - b. Right Side Hitters 1.50 for AR and AA
 - c. Libero 4.15 for AR and AA
 - d. Setters 2.40 for AR and AA
- G. Pass (Serve Reception)
 - 1. Is candidate a primary passer?

H. Serve

- 1. Aces Per Set
- 2. Service Errors Per Set

SELECTION CRITERIA (in ranked order)

- A. Middle Blockers Consideration
 - 1. Points Per Set (3.13 for AR; 3.46 for AA)
 - 2. Hitting Percentage
 - 3. Blocks Per Set
- **B.** Outside Hitters Consideration
 - 1. Points Per Set (4.50 for AR; 4.65 for AA)
 - 2. Hitting Percentage
 - 3. Digs Per Set
 - 4. Blocks Per Set
- C. Right Side/Opposite Hitters Consideration
 - 1. Points Per Set (4.21 for AR; 4.59 for AA)
 - 2. Hitting Percentage
 - 3. Blocks Per Set
 - 4. Digs Per Set

D. Setters Consideration

- 1. Team Hitting Percentage
- 2. Assists Per Set
- 3. Points Per Set (1.20 for AR and AA)
- 4. Digs Per Set

E. Setters/Hitters Consideration

- 1. Team Hitting Percentage
- 2. Individual Hitting Percentage
- 3. Points Per Set (1.50 for AR and AA)
- 4. Assists Per Set
- F. Defensive Specialists/Liberos Consideration
 - 1. Digs Per Set
 - 2. Service Aces Per Set

AVCA Postseason Student-Athlete Nomination Checklist

Complete the following information checklist for each student-athlete you wish to nominate for AVCA Postseason honors. This information is provided as a means of ensuring that you have met the stated qualifications.

CHECKLIST

- ✓ Nominee has played in 2/3 (66.7%) of all sets (not matches) at the time of the nomination deadline. <u>Please</u> have consulted "Statistical and Selection Criteria" (page 8) to be sure your nominee(s) is statistically compatible with the criteria for an All-Region player.
- ✓ Submitted nominations on-line by 3:00 p.m. ET (2:00 p.m. CT, 1:00 p.m. MT, 12:00 p.m. PT) on Sunday, November 30.
- A match-by-match statistical account versus all teams for the entire season for each nominee has been uploaded to the online nomination <a href="mailto:by-match-by-m

DEADLINES

All nominations must be submitted via the on-line process at www.avca.org by 3:00 p.m. (ET) on **Sunday**, **November 30**.

Match-by-match statistics versus all opponents for the entire season for each nominee must be uploaded to the online nomination by 3:00 p.m. (ET) **Sunday**, **November 30**.

Head coaches must complete their online voting ballot by 5 p.m. (ET) on Wednesday, December 3.

AVCA All-America Video Review

AVCA Corporate partner, Hudl Volleymetrics, is making their entire video database available to the committee for use in their evaluation of nominees. Coaches of All-Region selections will select two sets showcasing their All-America candidate to the AVCA for viewing by the committee. If a requested set is not yet included in the Hudl Volleymetrics database, Hudl Volleymetrics will allow the program to upload video from this set free of charge. Programs that fail to pick two sets for the committee to review will have their sets chosen by the All-American Committee. **No athlete will be disqualified from All-American consideration due to video issues.**

There are no specific requirements for the sets selected. It is recommended that coaches select the two sets that best showcase their athlete. Quality of the opponent is a factor that the committee can use in their review.

After the All-Region teams are announced on Tuesday, December 9, the AVCA will provide an online form that coaches will complete requests the two sets for each athlete. This form will need to be completed before 5pm ET on **Thursday**, **December 11**.

Once the sets have been submitted for each athlete, Hudl Volleymetrics will run a quality assurance review to ensure that the videos are tagged correctly in their database. It is also recommended that coaches with review their own videos in Hudl Volleymetrics and let the AVCA know of any tagging mistakes.



AVCA Coaches Award Programs

The American Volleyball Coaches Association annually honors deserving coaches through its Regional and National Coach of the Year and Victory Club programs. Refer to the information listed below for specifics regarding each program. If you have questions, please call Brad Wilson at (859) 219-3520 or e-mail bradley.wison@avca.org.

REGIONAL/ NATIONAL COACHES OF THE YEAR For the 40th year, the women's volleyball coaches of the AVCA will select Regional/National Coaches of the Year. The AVCA Region Coach of the Year Nomination Form will be featured on the AVCA website. This form must be received by the **AVCA office** by **Wednesday**, **December 3**. All AVCA member coaches are asked to nominate someone in their respective region based on the following criteria:

- 1) team success during current season;
- 2) team improvement from previous season;
- 3) fulfillment of team potential; and
- 4) professional manner and attitude of the coach.

Nominations should be sent to the **AVCA office** and selections will be made during the respective conference calls. Each Conference Coach of the Year is an automatic nominee for AVCA Region Coach of the Year. Once the nominations are forwarded to the committee members, committee members can also self-nominate additional deserving coaches from their conferences to be considered. Each AVCA Region Coach of the Year is an automatic nominee for AVCA National Coach of the Year, along with the regional finalist coaches.

2025 AVCA On-Line Student-Athlete Nomination Instructions

Before beginning the nomination process, head coaches need to contact the AVCA office to secure the head coach's member login and password for the AVCA Website if not already known. *This information will not be provided to anyone but the head coach.* Therefore, SIDs should be in contact with the head coach to secure the member login and password if the SID is responsible for completing the nomination process.

DEADLINES:

Nominations Window: Monday, Nov. 24 through Sunday, Nov. 30 at 3:00 p.m. ET

STEPS TO NOMINATE:

- 1. Navigate to the Division I All-America information in the AVCA Awards Directory:

 https://www.avca.org/award/avca-division-i-womens-all-region-all-america-region-and-national-coaches-of-the-year-nominations/
- 2. <u>Click the nomination link.</u> If not already logged in, you will be prompted to do so. MUST use Head Coach's AVCA membership account credentials. (SID or other representative may complete the form, but Head Coach's login must be used.)
- 3. CLICK on the link labeled, "Click Here to Begin A Student-Athlete Nomination"
- 4. Select "Enter New Nomination" under the "Current Awards for your Division" section
 - Note: For each nomination completed, the nominee's information will be displayed under the "Your Current Nominations" section.
 - a. Type in any part of your School/Organization name and click **Search**
 - b. Select your School/Organization name from the list below and click Continue
- 5. Fill in the required fields as listed on the **Student Athlete Information** and **Institutional Information** page and then click **Continue**.
 - a. Please fill in all fields completely and use appropriate capitalization and punctuation. Please enter the student-athlete and institution's names as you would like them to appear on any awards.
 - b. Click Save and Continue
- 6. After clicking Save and Continue,
 - a. Fill in the required fields as listed on the Statistics page
 - Stats vs. All Opponents
 - Stats vs. AVCA Top 50
 - Stats vs. AVCA Top 100
- 7. Final step: upload your athlete's match-by-match stats.

To complete your nomination a single-page match-by-match statistical account versus ALL teams for the nominee must be uploaded to the online nomination by **Sunday**, **Nov. 30 at 3:00 p.m. ET**.

- a. Click Choose File, select the appropriate file from your computer's database, and click Upload this File. ***Please avoid saving stats files under a label/title with any special characters (including apostrophes (') or number symbol (#). This will cause your file to be corrupted and not able to be viewed by voters or the selection committee. If corrupted files are found, update the nomination with a new file or contact AVCA for assistance.
- **b.** Once you have successfully uploaded or emailed the single-page match-by-match statistics, click **Complete Nomination.**
 - <u>DO NOT</u> select "**Complete Nomination**" until the single-page match-by-match statistics have been e-mailed to the AVCA or uploaded to the online nomination.
 - You will then will be directed to a page where you can select to view your nominations or enter a new nomination.