



## 2023 AVCA Women's Division III Awards Packet

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**All nomination links and any updates to the postseason awards program or timeline will be published in the AVCA Awards Directory:**

**<https://www.avca.org/award/avca-division-iii-womens-all-region-all-america-region-and-national-coaches-of-the-year/>**

## **2023 AVCA Division III Postseason Awards Timetable**

The following is a list of the awards deadlines and timetables established by the AVCA. It has been outlined so that you will be able to monitor all of the deadlines, enabling your student-athletes to be eligible for postseason honors.

### **Friday, October 27 – Head Coach Membership Deadline**

- Head coaches must be AVCA members by this date in order for their student-athletes to be eligible for the AVCA Postseason Awards Program. This includes new members as well as renewals. Contact AVCA Member Services if you have any questions about the status of your membership: 866-544-2822 or [members@avca.org](mailto:members@avca.org).

### **Wednesday, November 1 – Regionally/Nationally Ranked Teams Released**

- This list will be e-mailed to member head coaches and posted on the AVCA web site. ONLY teams on this list are to be considered when compiling summary statistics for regionally and nationally ranked competition in the postseason awards process.

### **Wednesday, November 1 thru Monday, November 6 – Student-Athlete Nominations Accepted**

- Nominations will be accepted on-line beginning **Wed, Nov. 1 through Mon, Nov. 6 at 11:59 p.m. EST.**
- **Please note:** Online nomination instructions can be found on page 11 of this awards packet.

### **Monday, November 6 – Region Coach of the Year Nominations Due & National Assistant Coach of the Year Nominations Due**

- AVCA Region Coach of the Year and National Assistant Coach of the Year nominations due via online nomination form.

### **Wednesday, November 8 thru Friday, November 10 – 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 Wednesday, Nov. 8 through 5 p.m. (ET) on Friday, Nov. 10.
- **Please Note: Coaches will be unable to vote for their own players. Coaches MUST vote in order for their players to be elected to an All-Region Team.**

### **Saturday, November 11 through Monday, November 13 – Region Conference Calls**

- AVCA All-Region Teams, Region Freshmen of the Year, Region Player of the Year, and AVCA Region Coach of the Year committee conference calls.

### **Wednesday, November 15 – 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.***

### **Sunday, November 19 – Deadline to submit updated statistics (optional)**

- May update stats for nominees prior to All-America call (add stats from regionals, matches that took place after nominations/voting)

### **Monday, November 20/Tuesday, November 21– AVCA Division III AA/NPOY/COY/ACOFY Conference Call**

- AVCA All-America Committee conference call. Also determine National Player of the Year, Coach of the Year and National Assistant Coach of the Year.

### **Tuesday, November 28 – All-America Teams Announced**

- AVCA All-America Teams and National Freshman of the Year announced (14 student-athletes per a first team, second team, and third team, with an non-predetermined number of honorable mention selections).

### **Wednesday, November 29 – AVCA National Coach of the Year & National Assistant Coach announced.**

- AVCA National Coach of the Year & National Assistant Coach announced via press release and social media.

### **Friday, December 1 – Victory Club Deadline**

- AVCA Victory Club forms due via online nomination form.

### **Thursday, December 14 – Coaches Awards Banquet**

- Region Coaches of the Year, National Coach of the Year and National Assistant Coach of the Year presented at the Coaches Honors Luncheon in Tampa, Florida.

### **Friday, December 15 – Player of the Year Awards Banquet**

- Division III Player of the Year will be presented at the College All-America Banquet in Tampa, Florida.

## **2023 AVCA DIII Awards Regional Alignment**

AVCA exactly matches the NCAA's 10-region alignment. The Regional breakdown is courtesy of the NCAA and is current through August 2023. Contact the AVCA immediately if you have questions or corrections.

### **Region 1**

(48 teams)

#### **GNAC (16)**

Albertus Magnus  
Anna Maria  
Colby-Sawyer  
Dean College  
Elms College  
Emmanuel (MA)  
Johnson and Wales (RI)  
Lasell College  
Mitchell College  
New England College  
Norwich University  
Regis (MA)  
Rivier University  
St. Joseph's (ME)  
Simmons College  
St. Joseph (CT)

#### **Little East (9)**

Eastern Conn. State  
Keene State College  
Plymouth State University  
Rhode Island College  
UMASS - Boston  
UMASS - Dartmouth  
Southern Maine  
Vermont State - Castleton  
Western Conn. State

#### **NESCAC (11)**

Amherst College  
Bates College  
Bowdoin College  
Colby College  
Connecticut College

Hamilton College  
Middlebury College  
Trinity College (CT)  
Tufts University  
Wesleyan University (CT)  
Williams College

#### **North Atlantic (12)**

Eastern Nazarene  
Husson University  
Lesley University  
Maine Maritime Academy  
SUNY – Canton  
SUNY – Cobleskill  
SUNY – Delhi  
SUNY – Polytechnic  
SUNY Morrisville  
Maine Presque Ilse  
Vermont State - Johnson  
Vermont State - Lyndon

### **Region 2**

(31 teams)

#### **CCC (10)**

Curry College  
Endicott College  
Gordon College  
University of Hartford  
Nichols College  
Roger Williams University  
Suffolk University  
Univ. of New England  
Wentworth Inst. of Tech.  
Western New England

**MASCAC (8)**

Bridgewater State  
Fitchburg State  
Framingham State  
Mass. College Liberal Arts  
Mass. Maritime Academy  
Salem State  
Westfield State  
Worcester State

**NEWMAC (12)**

Babson College  
Clark University (MA)  
Emerson College  
MIT  
Mount Holyoke College  
Salve Regina  
Smith College  
Springfield College  
Coast Guard Academy  
Wellesley College  
Wheaton College (MA)  
Worcester Polytechnic Inst.

**UAA (1)**

Brandeis University

**Region 3**

(41 teams)

**Empire 8 (9)**

Alfred University  
Elmira College  
Hartwick College  
Houghton College  
Keuka College  
Nazareth College  
Russell Sage College  
St. John Fisher  
Utica University

**Liberty League (9)**

Bard College  
Clarkson University  
Ithaca College  
RIT  
Skidmore College  
St. Lawrence  
Union College (NY)  
Vassar College  
William Smith

**Skyline (12)**

Manhattanville College  
Mount Saint Mary (NY)  
Mount St. Vincent  
Sarah Lawrence  
SUNY - Farmingdale State  
SUNY - Maritime  
SUNY - Old Westbury  
SUNY - Purchase  
St. Joseph's (Brooklyn)  
St. Joseph's (Long Island)  
U.S. Merchant Marine Acad.  
Yeshiva University

**SUNYAC (10)**

SUNY - Brockport  
SUNY - Buffalo State  
SUNY - Cortland  
SUNY - Fredonia  
SUNY - Geneseo  
SUNY - New Paltz  
SUNY - Oneonta  
SUNY - Oswego  
SUNY - Plattsburgh  
SUNY - Potsdam

**UAA (1)**

Univ. of Rochester

## **Region 4**

(27 teams)

### **Coast-to-Coast (1)**

Pratt Institute

### **CUNYAC (8)**

Baruch College

Brooklyn College

City College NY

Hunter College

John Jay

Lehman College

Medgar Evers

York College (NY)

### **MAC Freedom (8)**

Arcadia University

Delaware Valley

DeSales University

Fairleigh Dickinson Florham

King's College (PA)

Lebanon Valley

Misericordia Univ.

Stevens Tech

### **NJAC (9)**

Kean University

Montclair State

New Jersey City

Ramapo College

Rowan University

Rutgers - Camden

Rutgers – Newark

Stockton University

William Paterson

### **United East (17)**

Bryn Athyn College

Cairn University

Cedar Crest College

Clarks Summit

Gallaudet University

Keystone College

Lancaster Bible College

Notre Dame Maryland

Penn. State – Abington

Penn. State - Berks

Penn. State - Harrisburg

Pennsylvania Tech

Rosemont College

Saint Elizabeth University

St. Mary's (MD)

University of Valley Forge

Wilson College

### **UAA (1)**

New York University

## **Region 5**

(54 teams)

### **Atlantic East (6)**

Centenary College

Gwynedd-Mercy

Immaculata University

Marymount (VA)

Marywood University

Neumann College

### **Centennial (11)**

Bryn Mawr College

Dickinson College

Franklin & Marshall

Gettysburg College

Haverford College

Johns Hopkins

McDaniel College

Muhlenberg College

Swarthmore College

Ursinus College

Washington College (MA)

**Coast-to-Coast (1)**

Salisbury

**Landmark (10)**

Catholic University

Drew University

Elizabethtown College

Goucher College

Juniata College

Lycoming College

Moravian College

Scranton

Susquehanna

Wilkes University

**MAC Commonwealth (8)**

Albright College

Alvernia University

Eastern University

Hood College

Messiah College

Stevenson University

Widener University

York College (PA)

**Independent (1)**

Trinity Washington

**Region 6**

(44 teams)

**Coast-to-Coast (3)**

Christopher Newport

U. Mary Washington

Warren Wilson

**Collegiate Conf. South (9)**

Agnes Scott College

Belhaven University

Berea College

Covenant College

Huntingdon College

LaGrange College

Maryville College (TN)

Piedmont College

Wesleyan College

**ODAC (13)**

Averett University

Bridgewater (VA)

Eastern Mennonite

Ferrum College

Guilford College

Hollins University

Randolph College

Randolph-Macon College

Roanoke College

Shenandoah University

Univ. of Lynchburg

Virginia Wesleyan

Washington and Lee

**SAA (8)**

Berry College

Birmingham-Southern

Centre College

Hendrix College

Millsaps College

Oglethorpe University

Rhodes College

University South (Sewanee)

**USA South (10)**

Brevard College

Greensboro College

Mary Baldwin College

Meredith College

Methodist University

North Carolina Wesleyan

Pfeiffer University

Salem College

Southern Virginia  
William Peace

**UAA (1)**

Emory University

**Region 7**

(48 teams)

**AMCC (10)**

Alfred State

Carlow

Hilbert College

La Roche College

Mount Aloysius

Penn State - Altoona

Penn State - Behrend

Pittsburgh - Bradford

Pittsburgh – Greensburg

Wells College

**MIAA (9)**

Adrian College

Albion College

Alma College

Calvin University

Hope College

Kalamazoo College

St. Mary's College (IN)

Trine University

University of Olivet

**NCAC (8)**

Denison University

DePauw University

Hiram College

Kenyon College

Oberlin College

Ohio Wesleyan

Wittenberg University

Wooster

**OAC (10)**

Baldwin-Wallace University

Capital University

Heidelberg University

John Carroll University

Marietta College

Muskingum University

Ohio Northern University

Otterbein University

University of Mount Union

Wilmington College (OH)

**Presidents' (11)**

Allegheny College

Bethany College (WV)

Chatham University

Franciscan University

Geneva College

Grove City College

Saint Vincent College

Thiel College

Washington and Jefferson

Waynesburg University

Westminster College (PA)

**UAA (2)**

Carnegie Mellon University

Case Western Reserve

**Region 8**

(55 teams)

**CCIW (9)**

Augustana College (IL)

Carroll University (WI)

Carthage College

Elmhurst University

Illinois Wesleyan University

Millikin University

North Central College

North Park University

Wheaton College (IL)

**Heartland (10)**

Anderson University (IN)  
Bluffton University  
Defiance College  
Earlham College  
Franklin College  
Hanover College  
Manchester University  
Mount St. Joseph University  
Rose-Hulman Inst. Tech  
Transylvania University

**NACC (14)**

Alverno College  
Aurora University  
Benedictine University  
Concordia - Chicago  
Concordia - Wisconsin  
Dominican University (IL)  
Edgewood College  
Illinois Institute of Technology  
Lakeland University  
Marian University (WI)  
Milwaukee S. of Engineering  
Rockford University  
St. Norbert College  
Wisconsin Lutheran College

**SLIAC (10)**

Blackburn College  
Eureka College  
Fontbonne University  
Greenville College  
Lyon College  
Miss. Univ. for Women  
Principia College  
Spalding University  
Webster University  
Westminster College (MO)

**WIAC (8)**

Wisconsin - Eau Claire  
Wisconsin - La Crosse  
Wisconsin - Oshkosh  
Wisconsin - Platteville  
Wisconsin - River Falls  
Wisconsin - Stevens Point  
Wisconsin - Stout  
Wisconsin - Whitewater

**UAA (2)**

University of Chicago  
Washington - St. Louis

**Independent (2)**

Asbury University  
Maranatha Baptist

**Region 9**

(39 teams)

**American Rivers (9)**

Buena Vista University  
Central College (IA)  
Coe College  
Loras College  
Luther College  
Nebraska Wesleyan  
Simpson College  
U. of Dubuque  
Wartburg College

**Coast to Coast (1)**

Mount Mary University

**MIAC (12)**

Augsburg College  
Bethel University (MN)  
Carleton College  
College of St. Benedict  
College of St. Scholastica



Concordia Coll. Moorehead  
Gustavus Adolphus  
Hamline University  
Macalester College  
St. Catherine University  
St. Mary's Univ. Minnesota  
St. Olaf College

### **Midwest (9)**

Beloit College  
Cornell College  
Grinnell College  
Illinois College  
Knox College  
Lake Forest College  
Lawrence University  
Monmouth College (IL)  
Ripon College

### **Upper Midwest – UMAC (8)**

Bethany Lutheran College  
Crown College (MN)  
Martin Luther College  
North Central University  
Northland College  
Univ. of Minnesota, Morris  
U. Northwestern - St. Paul  
U. Wisconsin – Superior

## **Region 10**

(37 teams)

### **ASC (9)**

Concordia University Texas  
East Texas Baptist Univ.  
Hardin-Simmons University  
Howard Payne University  
LeTourneau University  
McMurry University  
Sul Ross State University

Univ. of Mary Hardin-Baylor  
Univ. of Texas at Dallas

### **Coast to Coast (1)**

UC Santa Cruz

### **Northwest (9)**

George Fox University  
Lewis & Clark College  
Linfield University  
Pacific Lutheran University  
Pacific University (OR)  
Univ. of Puget Sound  
Whitman College  
Whitworth University  
Willamette University

### **SCIAC (9)**

California Inst. of Tech  
California Lutheran Univ.  
Chapman University  
Claremont-Mudd-Scripps  
Occidental College  
Pomona-Pitzer College  
Univ. of La Verne  
Univ. of Redlands  
Whittier College

### **SCAC (9)**

Austin College  
Centenary College (LA)  
Colorado College  
Schreiner University  
Southwestern Univ. (TX)  
Texas Lutheran University  
Trinity University (TX)  
University of Dallas  
Univ. of St. Thomas (TX)

## **AVCA Postseason Student-Athlete Awards Information**

The AVCA is proud to honor deserving student-athletes annually by selecting All-Region and All-America teams, highlighted by the selection of the AVCA Division III Player of the Year. AVCA All-Region and All-America selection committees represent their conferences and regions to determine these selections along with AVCA-member head coach voting results.

### **Awards Honors**

#### **AVCA All-Region Team**

- All-Region team: **14** student-athletes
  - Honorable Mention team: **6** student athletes
  - All-Region Player of the Year: **1** student athlete from All-Region Team
  - All-Region Freshman of the Year: **1** TRUE freshman athlete (selection not required)
- AVCA All-Region Coaches of the Year: 10** AVCA-member head coaches (1 from each respective region)

#### **AVCA All-America Team**

- First Team: **14** student-athletes
  - Second Team: **14** student-athletes
  - Third Team: **14** student athletes
  - Honorable Mention: **Non-predetermined number** of student-athletes
  - National Freshman of the Year: **1** TRUE freshman athlete
  - National Player of the Year: **1** student-athlete from First Team All-America
- National Assistant Coach of the Year: 1** AVCA-member assistant coach  
**National Coach of the Year: 1** AVCA-member head coach

### **Nominating Procedures**

The postseason nomination procedure is an on-line 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 place on the AVCA All-Region/All-American teams.

Please use your professional judgment to only nominate those student-athletes who legitimately have a chance to earn AVCA All-Region honors. Only student-athletes who are selected to their respective AVCA All-Region team are then eligible for AVCA All-America consideration.

### **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;
- 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;
  - **AVCA Two-Thirds Participation Waiver:** 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** (page 2) 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 **Friday, October 27** 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 **must be a true freshman**. ONLY ONE NOMINEE PER SCHOOL IS ALLOWED PER YEAR. The AVCA National Freshman of the Year will be selected from the (up to) ten AVCA Region Freshmen of the Year award winners.

### **Awards Selections**

The selection of the All-Region Team is determined in part by all member head coaches' votes, and in part by the Regional Committees. This process was designed in 2014 to increase the representation of the AVCA's member head coaches within the selection process, while still ensuring that the most deserving student-athletes are named.

The voting will take place from 8:00 a.m. (EST) on **Wednesday, November 8** through 5:00 pm ET on **Friday, November 10**. All AVCA-member head coaches will receive the same statistical analysis that the regional committees receive to help in the voting process.

The All-Region Team selections are NOT based upon position specific requirements. Instead, coaches will vote for their top 14 most deserving athletes on their All-Region ballot. The All-Region Committee will still be encouraged to have a fair representation from all positions. For committee reference, 2014 and prior positional requirements were as follows:

- 5 Outside/Opposite Hitters
- 3 Middle Blockers
- 2 Setters
- 1 Libero/Defensive Specialist
- 3 At-Large Selections

#### **Voting Rules and Notes**

- 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 14 players.
- The voting will take place online through a link provided by the AVCA.
- All-Region Committees remain intact to ensure the proper teams are named. Their main role is to review the voting results, nominations and statistics and take action in the case of low voter turnout or obvious collusion.
- **Athletes that receive the top six vote totals from each region will be automatically assigned to the All-Region team. In the event of a tie for the sixth automatic selection, the All-Region committee will determine who will receive the automatic selection.**
- **NOTE:** Athletes from Independent schools or teams in conferences split among multiple regions (ex. Coast-to-Coast, UAA) will appear on ballots in their regions. In recognition that these teams may not play many matches within their designated region (and vote totals could be affected), coaches of independent/split conference teams are encouraged to contact their All-Region chair to provide additional information on their candidates for consideration by the region committee.
- The All-Region committees will forward a select list of All-Region players eligible for All-America status. The selection of the All-America Teams are determined by the Regional Chairs, who make up the All-America selection committee and represent their respective regions.

#### **Awards Announcements**

If your student athlete(s) is selected AVCA First, Second, or Third Team All-America, National Player of the Year, or National Freshman of the Year, head coaches will be notified by Tuesday, November 21 via phone call and/or email from the AVCA Office Staff. Head coaches providing a number where you can be reached away from your home or office is most helpful.

The 2023 AVCA DIII National Player of the Year will receive an invitation to the AVCA All-America/Players of the Year Banquet on **Friday, December 15**, held in conjunction with the 2023 AVCA Annual Convention in Tampa, Florida.

The AVCA will provide ONE ticket to the DIII National Player of the Year to attend the 2023 AVCA All-America/Players of the Year Banquet, as well as a travel reimbursement. This banquet ticket will only supply admission for the National Player of the Year. Additional banquet tickets for family and friends may be purchased for \$45 each (limit up to 3 tickets) on-site at the AVCA Convention Registration desk.

### **2023 Nationally and Regionally Ranked Teams**

AVCA will publish its list of Nationally Ranked Teams and Regionally Ranked Teams on **Wednesday, November 1**. Each list will also be emailed separately to all AVCA member head coaches. **ONLY teams on this list are to be considered when compiling summary statistics for regionally and nationally ranked competition in the postseason awards process.**

**If your team has NOT competed against any Nationally Ranked (or Regionally Ranked) teams**, you must enter the following on the stats page of your nomination: a "1" in both the Team Sets Played and Sets Played fields, and zeroes for the rest of that section. The form requires at least a '1' in those fields in order to save the rest of your stats. Please note that entering this incorrect data this will not affect your athlete's eligibility.

#### **Nationally Ranked Teams**

All teams that appear on the AVCA Division III **Top 25 Coaches Poll at least TWO\* or more times** (not including the DIII Preseason Poll) will be selected and appear on the AVCA List of Nationally Ranked Teams. There is no minimum or maximum to the quantity of teams that can appear on this list. *\*Prior to 2021, teams had to appear THREE or more times.*

## Regionally Ranked Teams

The AVCA Regionally Ranked Team List is determined using a combination of the AVCA Nationally Ranked Teams, NCAA Regional Rankings, and the Rich Kern National Pablo Rankings.

1. All teams that are featured on the 2023 AVCA List of Nationally Ranked Teams, given the guidelines above, will be featured in the list of Regionally-Ranked Teams under their respective AVCA-recognized region.
2. All teams that are featured on the **2023 NCAA Regional Rankings** by region will be featured on the 2023 AVCA Regionally Ranked Teams List (*published on November 1*).
3. Each region will be filled with the next available team from its respective region listed on the **2023 Rich Kern National Pablo Rankings**. Those teams will be selected in order by points from largest to smallest.
  - AVCA will take the cumulative score of Rich Kern's National Pablo Rankings published over the most recent four weeks. Each team will then be ranked according to their cumulative score, and selected to the respective region in that ranked order.
4. This process will continue until each region has a minimum that is consistent with the number of teams featured on NCAA Regional Rankings in each region.
  - This minimum may fluctuate each year based on the number of teams that the NCAA Regional Ranking Committee selects per region.
    - I.e., If NCAA Regional Ranking only produces 8 teams in one region and 12 teams in another region, then the AVCA minimum is set at 8 teams per region.
  - No team with a win-loss percentage under .500 can be featured on the AVCA Regionally Ranked Team List.
  - AVCA reserves the right to publish this list with less than the minimum number of teams (as determined by the NCAA Regional Rankings), should the next team(s) ranked on the Pablo Rankings have under a .500 win-loss percentage.

## Statistics to Include in Your Nomination

In addition to match-by-match statistics and cumulative season statistics, AVCA All-Region/All-America Nomination Form requires the head coach to report statistics earned by that individual athlete in competition against teams listed as Nationally- and Regionally-Ranked.

A match against a Nationally- and/or Regionally-Ranked Team must be included regardless of whether or not that team was ranked at the time of competition.

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

The postseason 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 recommendations listed below are meant to serve as guidelines based on historical averages, not as firm requirements, for all-region and region freshman of the year nominees.*

### Outside Hitters

1. Primary Considerations
  - a. Points per set – 3.25
  - b. Hitting percentage – 0.200
  - c. Kills per set – 2.75
  - d. Kill percentage 0.350
  - e. Digs per set (6-rotation athletes) – 2.25
2. Secondary Consideration
  - a. Blocks per set – 0.3

- b. Aces per set – 0.25
- c. Primary passer?
- d. Digs per set (3-rotation athletes)

### Middle Blockers

1. Primary Considerations
  - a. Points per set – 2.75
  - b. Hitting percentage – 0.300
  - c. Blocks per set – 1.0
  - d. Kills per set – 2.10

e. Kill percentage – 0.400

d. Aces per set

### Right Side/Opposite Hitters

1. Primary Considerations
  - a. Points per set – 3.0
  - b. Hitting percentage – 0.250
  - c. Blocks per set – 0.40
  - d. Kills per set – 2.50
  - e. Kill percentage – 0.350
2. Secondary Consideration
  - a. Digs per set – 0.75
  - b. Primary passer?
  - c. Aces per set

### 5-1 Setters

1. Primary Considerations
  - a. Team hitting percentage – 0.200
  - b. Assists per set – 10.0
  - c. Points per set – 1.0
2. Secondary Considerations
  - a. Blocks per set – 0.30
  - b. Digs per set – 1.75
  - c. Kills per set

### Setters/Hitters

1. Primary Considerations
  - a. Team hitting percentage – 0.200
  - b. Assists per set – 5.60
  - c. Points per set – 1.20
  - d. Individual hitting percentage – 0.250
  - e. Blocks per set – 0.30
2. Secondary Considerations
  - a. Digs per set – 2.20
  - b. Kills per set – 0.75
  - c. Kill percentage
  - d. Aces per set

### Defensive Specialists/Liberos

1. Primary Considerations
  - a. Digs per set – 4.50
  - b. Reception Errors per set – 0.1
  - c. Team Hitting Percentage – 0.200
2. Secondary Considerations
  - a. Reception Attempts
  - b. 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**

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- Nominee has played in **2/3 (66.7%)** of all **sets** (not matches) during the current season at the time of the nomination deadline. Please have consulted “Statistical and Selection Criteria” (page 9) to be sure your nominee(s) is statistically compatible with the criteria for an all-region player.
- Submitted nominations on-line **by 11:59 pm ET on Monday, November 6.**
- A match-by-match statistical account for each nominee has been uploaded to the nomination page **OR** e-mailed (awards@avca.org) **by 11:59 pm ET on Monday, November 6.** Match-by-match listings of performances versus regionally or nationally ranked teams are **ONLY** necessary for your personal use to complete the online portion of the nomination. **Only a single-page match-by-match statistical report versus all teams should be submitted for each nominee.** Use **Form A (page 14)** **OR** computer-generated statistical reports may be substituted as long as the following conditions are met:
  - Computerized stats must include **all** required statistical categories as shown on **Form A (page 12).**
  - It is not necessary that the computer-generated reports have the statistical categories in the same order as **Form (page 14)**
  - One or two handwritten columns may be added to computer-generated forms when the software is unable to print the data
  - **All uploaded or emailed match-by-match statistics should be formatted in a PDF format.**

- o **Please avoid saving stats 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.**

## DEADLINES

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All nominations and Match-by-match statistics for each nominee must be submitted via the on-line process and at [www.avca.org](http://www.avca.org) by **11:59 p.m. (ET) on Monday, November 6.**

## NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

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Step-by-step instructions regarding the on-line student-athlete nomination process can be found on pages 12-13 of this awards packet.

**IMPORTANT:** All head coaches must have up-to-date memberships and know their personal login and password to the AVCA website. Those entering the nominations will need to have the head coaches' login and password. ***If you need your AVCA log-in information, please contact AVCA Member Services at [members@avca.org](mailto:members@avca.org) or 866-544-2822.***

The list of **regionally and nationally ranked teams** will be sent out via e-mail and will also be available on the AVCA Website on **Wednesday, November 1.** Be prepared to figure your nominees' statistics against teams listed on the regionally and nationally ranked teams lists for online nomination purposes.

## 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. Head coaches must be members in good standing by **Friday, October 27, 2023**, to be eligible for either program.

### Region/National Coaches of the Year

The Region Coach of the Year and National Assistant Coach of the Year online nomination forms can be found on the AVCA DIII Awards Nomination page. This online form must be submitted by **Monday, November 6 at 5 p.m. EST.**

#### Region Coach of the Year

All AVCA member coaches are asked to nominate someone for Region Coach of the Year 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.

#### Automatic Nominees

Each Conference Coach of the Year and coaches of the top FOUR Regionally-Ranked Teams in each NCAA region are automatic nominee for AVCA Region Coach of the Year. Names and schools of these automatic nominees will be submitted to the AVCA All-Region Committees, however complete data (records, rankings, notable wins, additional responsibilities, etc.) may not be presented. To ensure a quality nomination, please complete the Region Coach of the Year nomination form.

#### National Coach of the Year

AVCA Region Coaches of the Year and NCAA tournament quarterfinalists coaches are automatic nominees for AVCA National Coach of the Year.

### **National Assistant Coach of the Year**

All AVCA head coaches are eligible to nominate **ONE** of their assistant coaches **or** an assistant coach in their respective region. Only one nomination per AVCA head coach will be accepted. Nominations will be submitted based on the following criteria:

- 1) AVCA Member
- 2) Player development on and off the court
- 3) Essential part of the program's athletic success
- 4) Service to the community
- 5) Commitment to the coaching profession and professional development
- 6) Represents program in professional and ethical manner

### **Selections and Presentations**

Selections will be made during the respective All-Region and All-American conference calls. Presentation of the awards will take place on **Thursday, December 14**, at the Coaches Honors Luncheon at the 2023 AVCA Annual Convention in Tampa, Florida.

### **AVCA Victory Club**

Since 1985, The AVCA has recognized coaches who reach career victory milestones with its Victory Club awards. The online nomination form must be submitted by **Friday, December 1 at 5:00 p.m. EST** at <https://www.avca.org/award/avca-victory-club/>. The AVCA will host the Victory Club Recognition event on Friday, December 15 at the 2023 AVCA Annual Convention in Tampa, Florida.

## **2023 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: **Wednesday, Nov. 1 through Monday, Nov. 6 at 11:59 p.m. ET**

### **STEPS TO NOMINATE:**

1. **Navigate to the Division III All-America information in the AVCA Awards Directory:**  
<https://www.avca.org/polls-awards/awards-directory/all-awards/>
2. **Click the nomination link.** 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. Regionally Ranked Opponents
    - Stats vs. Nationally Ranked Opponents
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 **Monday, Nov. 6 at 11:59 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**.
  - DO NOT 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.



# Match-by-Match Statistical Form Example (ONLY required if computer-generated statistics are NOT submitted)

## FORM A

Please complete the following information for each student-athlete you wish to nominate for postseason honors if computerized statistics are NOT being provided. List all information requested. Include copies of this form for each nominee. **THIS FORM MUST BE TYPED.**

Player: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Opponent	TSP	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	AST	SA	SE	Rec	RE	Rec Att.	DI G	BS	BA	TB	BH E	Team Hit %	Total Points
<b>NOMINEE TOTALS</b>																			
<b>TEAM TOTALS</b>																			

Compiled by: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE:** Match-by-match statistics for each nominee must be uploaded **OR** arrive at the AVCA Office via e-mail by 11:59 p.m. (EST) **Monday, November 6.**

## FORM A Legend:

TSP: total team sets played

SP: nominee set played

K: kills

E: errors

TA: total attempts

Hitting Percentage: (Kills – Errors)/Total Attempts

Assists: assists

SA: service aces

SE: service errors

Rec.: serve receptions

RE: serve reception errors

Rec. Att.: reception attempts

Digs: digs

BS: block solos

BA: block assists

TB: total blocks (BS+BA)

Total Points: Calculated by adding kills, aces, block solos and 1/2 block assists together. For instance 12 kills, 3 aces, 1 block solo and 3 block assists would equal 17.5 points.

- Statistics: A student-athlete must have played in **66.7 percent** of her team's sets (not matches) to be eligible for postseason awards.
- All averages and percentages will be figured and cells self-populated by the program as the statistics are entered, with the exception of team hitting percentage.