# 2024 AVCA Thirty Under 30 Club



### **Breyona Colley**

Game Plan Athletics
Director / Head Coach of GPA 17 Green

#### **Career Accomplishments to Date:**

Founding and beginning Game Plan Athletics in 2023. Getting the opportunity to work with the Columbus Fury in their inaugural season in 2024.

#### **Coaching Roles:**

- New Albany High School volunteer coach 2013-2014
- Teays Valley JV coach 2015-2019
- Mintonette Sports 2021 -2023
- Pickerington North High School JV/Varsity Asst 2021-2023
- Founded and began Game Plan Athletics 2023
- Gahanna Lincoln High School Varsity Coach 2024

#### What made you decide to get into coaching volleyball?

I have played since I was 12 years old and fell in love with the sport. After completing my collegiate career, I wasn't ready to step away from the game. I wanted to provide quality instruction and help other athletes grow not only in their skill set, but to also grow



their passion for the game. I started coaching in 2013 and have never looked back. I couldn't imagine doing anything else.

What are your career goals in the sport? I would love to go on and win multiple state championships at the high school level and win national titles at the club level. While the accolades are something to strive for, my biggest goal as a coach is to leave a positive impact on all of the athletes that I come across. I want to share my passion for the sport with others and I want that any athlete that I touch walks away not only better on the court but off of it as well.

### Which coaches have influenced you the most?

Coach John Nguyen. He has been my biggest coaching mentor over the years, and I am beyond grateful for the relationship that I have built with him and

the things that I have learned along the way. I do not believe I would be the coach that I am without his guidance and help over

the years.

## What do you enjoy most about your coaching job?

I love seeing the "aha moments" in an athlete's eyes when the skill development finally clicks. I love watching athletes grow in their passion for the sport, and I love watching these kids grow into the amazing humans they are. The wins and losses happen but being fully present with them in the moments of the game and during those hours of training are everything. I am so thankful for the relationships I have been able to build through coaching. I would say that is what I enjoy most, the relationships that have been built through this journey.

