

## 2021-2025 AVCA Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week | #OFFICIATIONWEEK

Since 2021, AVCA #OFFICIATIONWEEK has become a proud annual tradition among over 1,800 elementary school, middle school, high school (boys and girls), club, beach, college men's and women's, and pro volleyball teams from 48 U.S. states and other nations. The event is hosted twice each year, in the spring and fall; and all teams are encouraged to participate. The AVCA's Annual Spring #OFFICIATIONWEEK is especially for boys, men's, beach, club and pro teams, and 2025 AVCA Fall #OFFICIATIONWEEK is primarily for girls and women's teams. 2025 will mark the first official Pro Volleyball #OFFICIATIONWEEK.

### Instructions to Participate: 4 Steps

1. Choose a match during #OFFICIATIONWEEK
2. Coordinate with the opposing team/coach to present a small token of appreciation to officials before the match
3. Take pictures including officials, coaches and both teams
4. Post to social media tagging #OFFICIATIONWEEK and @avcavolleyball

The events are hosted by the AVCA High School Leadership Council. While the athletes, coaches and teams plan and lead the individual official's appreciation events, the national campaign's success is also credited to AVCA's Affiliate Program Partners; high school athletic associations; intercollegiate athletic conferences; public and private high schools and universities; and USA Volleyball Regions who encouraged their teams to participate.

Check out the [#OFFICIATIONWEEK Toolkit](#) with more ideas on how to show appreciation for volleyball officials as well as recruit new officials for the sport like banners/posters, customizable certificates for officials, goodie bags, PA announcements, national and state officials appreciation week campaigns and strategies, and more. The below websites are also available courtesy of the AVCA with resources on becoming an official, sportsmanship, and officials appreciation for high school and college.

- [Additional Resources: High School](#)
- [Additional Resources: College](#)

## 2021 AVCA Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week

#OFFICIATIONWEEK was started by the AVCA in the fall of 2021, in response to the national shortage of high school volleyball officials. This first event was promoted to girls high school teams.

## 2022 AVCA Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week: 241 Participants | 26 States

The 2nd Annual AVCA #OFFICIATIONWEEK held September 30, to October 8, grew vastly from its first year to include 241 participants in 26 states. While the week was primarily marketed to girls volleyball teams, participants included girls, boys, beach and women's volleyball.

- [2022 AVCA Highlights Video](#)
- [2022 AVCA Participants List](#)

## 2023 AVCA Men's & Boys Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week: 122 Participants | 23 States

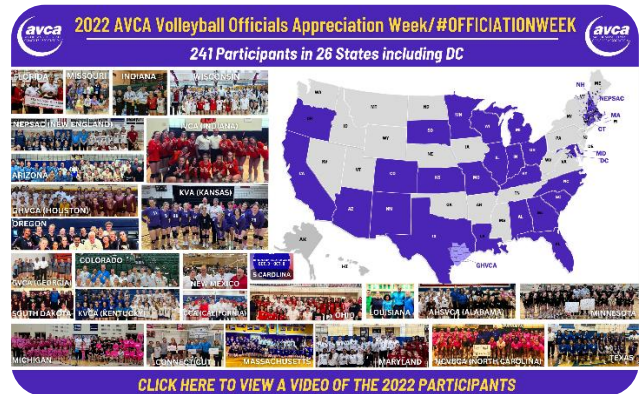
The 1st Annual AVCA Men's and Boys #OFFICIATIONWEEK kicked off as a tremendous success with 122 participants from 23 states. Participants included: Middle School (3); High School (88); Club (4); Beach (2); NCAA DIII (12); NCAA DII (2); and NCAA DI (11).

- [2023 AVCA Men's & Boys Highlights Video](#)
- [2023 AVCA Men's & Boys Participants List](#)

## 2023 AVCA Girls & Women's Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week: 600 Participants | 44 States

A RECORD-BREAKING 600 teams and organizations in 44 states participated in #OFFICIATIONWEEK from September 29 to October 7, 2023! This marked the first #OFFICIATIONWEEK with participants from nearly every division involved, including: Middle School (4); High School Girls (451); High School Boys (1); Club (11); Beach (1); NJCAA (18); NAIA (5); NCAA DIII (27); NCAA DII (43); and NCAA DI (29).

- [2023 AVCA Girls & Women's Highlights Video](#)
- [2023 AVCA Girls & Women's Participants List](#)
- [2023 AVCA Girls & Women's Toolkit](#)





## [2024 AVCA Boys, Men's & Beach Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week: 98 Participants | 34 States](#)

In spring 2024, 98 participants from 34 states took part in the AVCA Boys, Men's & Beach #OFFICIATIONWEEK. 2024 marked the first official beach volleyball #OFFICIATIONWEEK, and the 2nd Annual Boys and Men's. Spring 2024 #OFFICIATIONWEEK included participants from the following divisions: Middle School (4); High School (43); Club (18); Beach (9); NJCAA (2); NAIA (4); NCAA DIII (5); NCAA DII (6); NCAA DI (12); in addition to international volleyball programs.

- [2024 AVCA Boys, Men's & Beach Highlights Video](#)
- [2024 AVCA Boys, Men's & Beach Participants List](#)
- [2024 AVCA Boys, Men's & Beach Toolkit](#)

## [2024 AVCA Girls & Women's Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week: 754 Participants | 47 States](#)

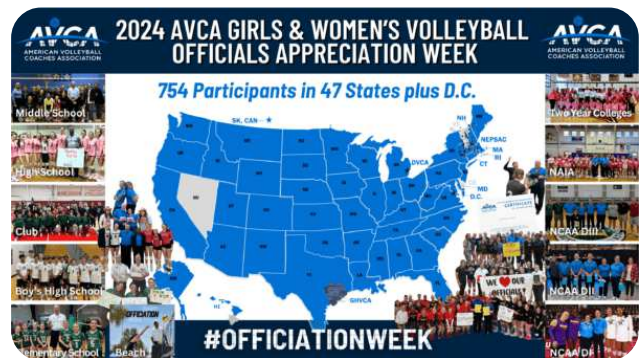
Over 754 participants in 47 states took part in another record-setting 2024 AVCA Girls and Women's Volleyball #OFFICIATIONWEEK! This year's participation tops the previous record of 600 participants in 44 states set in 2023.

- [2024 AVCA Girls & Women's Highlights Video](#)
- [2024 AVCA Girls & Women's Participation List](#)
- [2024 AVCA Girls & Women's Toolkit](#)

## [2025 AVCA Spring Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week:](#)

March 21-29, 2025, is the 3rd Annual American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Spring Volleyball Officials Appreciation Week, and the first official Pro Volleyball #OFFICIATIONWEEK. 2025 Spring #OFFICIATIONWEEK is a nine day period set aside for boys, men's, beach, club and pro volleyball teams to make sure our officials know how grateful the volleyball community is for the integral role they play. As coaches, you are the leaders, student-athletes, parents, and fans will follow your example of ensuring we treat our officials in a manner befitting their role in helping volleyball become one of the most popular sports.

- [2025 AVCA Spring #OFFICIATIONWEEK Participation List](#)
- [2025 AVCA Spring #OFFICIATIONWEEK Toolkit](#)



## [Good Sportsmanship has the Power to Inspire](#)

The AVCA's #InspireSportsmanship campaign was launched March 2024, through the AVCA High School Leadership Council. The campaign spotlights stories of girls and boys volleyball players, coaches and teams displaying exceptional sportsmanship. The campaign is an extension of #OFFICIATIONWEEK's efforts to promote sportsmanship through respect and appreciation of officials.

Unsportsmanlike acts spread further and faster than acts of kindness, humility, and corporation. That is why it is more important than ever to teach and spotlight good sportsmanship to inspire others.

Thank you to the many coaches, school administrators, volleyball coaches associations and others throughout the nation who have submitted stories of inspirational sportsmanship in volleyball. The AVCA is proud to feature these stories in the AVCA Affiliations eNewsletter, AVCA website, and social media in partnership with the AVCA's Signature Affiliate, Affiliate and Membership Organization high school partner associations.

**[CLICK HERE](#) to submit your story of inspirational sportsmanship by girls and boys volleyball players, coaches and teams.** For more information, please contact [Tara McGuire](#), AVCA Membership & Communications Specialist.

