

# 2025

## AVCA Thirty Under 30 Club



**Danielle Abram**

A5  
Head Coach

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

- Won 2025 Big South Qualifier (16 American)
- Earned BID to USAV Nationals (2021-14U, 2022-15U, 2024-15U, 2025-16U)
- Placed 3rd at Sunshine Qualifier (15U American, 2024)
- Won NEQ (15 USA, 2022)
- Placed 3rd at USAV Nationals (15 USA, 2022)

### **Coaching Roles:**

- A5 Volleyball
  - Head Coach, 2021-2025 (13U, 15U, 16U)
  - Assistant Coach, 2018-2021 (14s)
- CAJ Volleyball
  - Head Coach, 2015-2018 (15U)
- Kennesaw State University - Men's Club Volleyball
  - Volunteer Coach, 2017-2018

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

Volleyball has always been a joyous sport for me, even through the consequences. After playing myself, I wanted to share my love of the game and grow it as much as possible. It is incredibly rewarding to help a player grow in their skill and have a team grow more competitive throughout the season. I also love that I am a separate support system for players, and when they are in the gym, my goal is to make them smile and focus on simply doing something they love.

### **What are your career goals in the sport?**

I hit one of my goals this year of winning a qualifier as a Head Coach. Now, I would love to place at USAV Nationals or AAUs in a Head Coaching role. I also want to further my career at A5 and work my way up the ladder, coaching for a top-level team. I could even see myself coming into a leadership role at a volleyball club and getting into the world of professional volleyball, either coaching or marketing, and continuing to grow the love and recognition of the sport for others.



### **Which coaches have influenced you the most?**

In our A5 gym, I have loved working alongside Gabe Aramian, Boba Nisavic, and Helen Walker. They challenge me not only to improve players' skills, but also to build the game and make progression. Additionally, they help me grow as a coach by making sure I am building the right mindset for myself and setting the appropriate expectations for my teams. I will say my first coach to ever influence me was my sister, who introduced me to the sport, and my Freshman Coach, Johndra, whom I still talk to this day. They taught me to be tough yet rewarding.

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

Being able to see these athletes grow in skill and excitement is rewarding to me. I have always been incredibly competitive, so to be able to fuel and guide that as a coach has always been powerful for me. I will always be their biggest critic and their biggest cheerleader, but knowing I am being a good role model and someone they find support in is my biggest win. I will always want the best for my teams and will push them to get it. I just love the support you get in the gym and the friendships I've made.