

# 2025

## AVCA Thirty Under 30 High School



### Joshua Edmonson

Chelsea High School  
Varsity Assistant Coach

#### Career Accomplishments to Date:

- Led BrewTech to their first regular season area championship and their first state tournament appearance in 5 years.
- Help lead Chelsea to becoming the best team in program history including being Area Champions, Super Regional Champions and making a Final Four Appearance.

#### Coaching Roles:

- Capital City Juniors - Montgomery, AL - 17u Head Coach/ 15u Assistant Coach - Dec 2020 - May 2021
- Brewbaker Technology Magnet High School - Montgomery, AL - Head Coach - May 2021 - Oct 2021
- Mana Toa Volleyball Club - Prattville, AL - 15u Head Coach/ 13u Head Coach - Dec 2021 - May 2023
- Birmingham Beach Volleyball Club - Birmingham, AL - Coach - June 2023 - Current
- Above Volleyball Club - Birmingham, AL - 15u Head Coach/ 16u Head Coach - Dec 2023 - Current
- Chelsea High School - Birmingham, AL - Varsity Assistant Coach - April 2024 - Current

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

I played volleyball for the first time when I attended college at Auburn University, and loved it. I played everyday for 3 months straight learning the rules and mechanics of the sport. I never really knew what I wanted to do for a career but I enjoyed interacting and helping people. I also helped with the youth group at my church in Auburn. After talking with a friend of mine, Krystalynn Leomiti (who currently plays overseas), I decided to try it. After the first week of practice, I knew coaching was what God was calling me to do.

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

While coaching high school and club, my goal is to prepare as many players as possible to play in college. For my future, I plan to move into coaching at the collegiate level. The goal for any coach is to teach the sport but I also teach my players time management, mental strength and the willingness to work.



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

- Jamie Gill - Chelsea High School Varsity Head Coach
- Donnie Alleman - Above Volleyball Club Coach/Owner
- Tanielu Mose - Mana Toa Volleyball Club Coach/Owner
- Melissa Wolter - University of West Florida Head Coach
- Pati Gandolfo - Pensacola State College Head Coach
- Joe and Jodie Alaimo - Birmingham Beach Volleyball Club Coaches/Owners

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

The relationships built and seeing the growth of the players on and off the court. That moment when it clicks and they look back at you saying "I did it!!". The joy on their face and the excitement felt is so amazing.