

2025 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/polls-awards/awards-directory/all-awards/

2025 AVCA Division III Postseason Awards Timetable

Friday, October 31 - 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.

Wednesday, November 5 - Regionally/Nationally Ranked Teams Released

• This list will be e-mailed to member head coaches and posted on the AVCA website (ASAP after NPI rankings are published). 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 5 thru Monday, November 10 - Student-Athlete Nominations Accepted

- Nominations will be accepted on-line beginning Wed, Nov. 5 through Mon, Nov. 10 at 11:59 p.m. EST.
- Please note: Online nomination instructions can be found on page 13 of this awards packet.

Monday, November 10 – 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 12 thru Friday, November 14 - 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. 12 through 5 p.m. (ET) on Friday, Nov. 14.
- <u>Please Note</u>: 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 15 through Monday, November 17 - 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 19 - 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 23, 1:00 pm ET - 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 24-Tuesday, November 25 - AVCA Division III AA/NPOY/COY/ACOY Conference Call

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

Wednesday, November 26 – 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 a non-predetermined number of honorable mention selections).

Monday, December 1 – AVCA National Coach of the Year & National Assistant Coach of the Year announced.

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

Monday, December 1 - Victory Club Deadline

• AVCA Victory Club forms due via online nomination form.

Thursday, December 18 - Coaches Awards Banquet

• Region Coaches of the Year, National Coach of the Year and National Assistant Coach of the Year presented at the AVCA USMC Honors Banquet in Kansas City, Missouri.

Friday, December 19 – Player of the Year Awards Banquet

 Division III Player of the Year will be presented in Kansas City, Missouri at the AVCA Pro Volleyball Federation All-America/Players of the Year Banquet presented by Nike.

2025 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 September 2025. Contact the AVCA immediately if you have questions or corrections.

Region 1

GNAC (14)

Albertus Magnus Colby-Sawyer

Dean College

Elms College

Emmanuel (MA)

Lasell College

Mitchell College

New England College

Norwich University

Regis College (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 (9)

Husson University Lesley University Maine Maritime Academy

SUNY - Cobleskill

SUNY - Delhi

Thomas - Maine

Maine Presque Ilse

Vermont State - Johnson

Vermont State - Lyndon

Region 2

Conference of New England

(10)

Curry College

Endicott College

Gordon College

Nichols College

Roger Williams University

Suffolk University

Univ. of Hartford

Univ. of New England

Wentworth Inst. of Tech.

Western New England Univ.

MASCAC (8)

Anna Maria

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

Empire 8 (12)

Alfred University

Elmira College

Hartwick College

Houghton College

Keuka College

Nazareth College

Russell Sage College

St. John Fisher

SUNY - Brockport

SUNY - Geneseo

SUNY - Polytechnic

Utica University

Liberty League (9)

Bard College

Clarkson University

Hobart & William Smith

Colleges

Ithaca College

RIT

Skidmore College

St. Lawrence

Union College (NY)

Vassar College

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 Acd. Yeshiva University

SUNYAC (10)

SUNY - Buffalo State

SUNY - Canton

SUNY - Cortland

SUNY - Fredonia

SUNY - Morrisville

SUNY - New Paltz

SUNY - Oneonta

SUNY - Oswego

SUNY - Plattsburgh

SUNY - Potsdam

UAA (1)

Univ. of Rochester

Region 4

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 (15)

Cairn University

Cedar Crest College

Gallaudet University

Keystone College

Lancaster Bible College

Notre Dame of Maryland

Penn State Berks College

Penn State Brandywine

Penn State Abington

Penn State Harrisburg

Penn College of Technology

Rosemont College

St. Mary's College of Maryland

University of Valley Forge

Wilson College

UAA (1)

New York University

Region 5

Atlantic East (7)

Centenary College

Gwynedd-Mercy

Immaculata University

Marymount (VA)

Marywood University

Neumann College

Pratt Institute

Saint Elizabeth

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

Coast-to-Coast (3)

Christopher Newport

U. Mary Washington

Warren Wilson

Collegiate Conf. South (9)

Agnes Scott College

Asbury University

Belhaven University

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
Centre College
Millsaps College
Oglethorpe University
Rhodes College
University South (Sewanee)
Southwestern (TX)
Trinity (TX)

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 AMCC (9)

Alfred State
Carlow
Hilbert College
La Roche College
Mount Aloysius
Penn State - Altoona
Penn State - Behrend

Pittsburgh - Bradford Pittsburgh - Greensburg

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
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' (12)

Allegheny College Bethany
College (WV) Chatham
University Franciscan
University Geneva College
Grove City College
Hiram
Saint Vincent College
Thiel College
Washington and Jefferson
Waynesburg University
Westminster College (PA)

UAA (2)

Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve

Region 8

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)
Berea College
Bluffton University
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 (8)

Blackburn College Eureka College Greenville College Lyon College Miss. Univ. for Women 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 (1)

Maranatha Baptist

Region 9

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)

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

Midwest (9)

St. Olaf College

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

<u>Upper Midwest – UMAC (6)</u>

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

Region 10

ASC (4)

East Texas Baptist Univ. Hardin-Simmons University Howard Payne University Univ. of Mary Hardin-Baylor

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 (12)

Austin College
Centenary College (LA)
Colorado College
Concordia University Texas
Hendrix College
LeTourneau
McMurry University
Schreiner University
Texas Lutheran University
University of Dallas
University of St. Thomas (TX)
University of the Ozarks (AR)

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 online 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 <u>only</u> 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 31** 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 <u>must be</u> a true freshman. 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 12** through 5:00 pm ET on **Friday, November 14**. 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 **20** most deserving athletes on their All-Region ballot (*new for 2025, previously was 14 athletes*). 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

- 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 20 players (new for 2025, previously was 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.
- Committees are NOT permitted to select any co-award winners in region and national athlete or coach categories, including Co-Coach of the Year, Co-Player of the Year, etc.
- 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 25 via phone call and/or email from the AVCA staff. Head coaches providing a number where you can be reached away from your home or office is most helpful.

The 2025 AVCA DIII National Player of the Year will receive an invitation to the **AVCA Pro Volleyball Federation All-America/Players of the Year Banquet presented by Nike** on **Friday, December 19**, held in conjunction with the 2025 AVCA Annual Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

The AVCA will provide ONE ticket to the DIII National Player of the Year to attend the 2025 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 located in KCCC Lobby 2300.

2025 Nationally and Regionally Ranked Teams

AVCA will publish its list of Nationally and Regionally Ranked Teams on **Wednesday, November 5** (ASAP after publication of NPI rankings). List will also be emailed 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.**

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

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

The list of Nationally Ranked Teams will include:

- 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) https://www.avca.org/polls-awards/polls/? divisions=division-iii-women
- The Top 50 teams in NCAA NPI rankings, as of November 5. https://stats.ncaa.org/selection_rankings/nitty_gritties/39653

There is no minimum or maximum to the quantity of teams that can appear on this list.

Regionally Ranked Teams

The AVCA Regionally Ranked Team List is determined using a combination of the AVCA Nationally Ranked Teams and NCAA NPI Rankings (replaced RAC Regional rankings).

- All teams that are featured on the 2025 AVCA List of Nationally Ranked Teams, given the guidelines above, will be featured in the list of Regionally-Ranked Teams under their respective region.
- AND, the top 8 teams per each region that are featured on the 2025 NCAA NPI Rankings (as published on November 5, 2025).

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 8 teams (as determined by the NCAA NPI Rankings), should the next team(s) ranked 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 requires the head coach to report statistics earned by that individual athlete in competition against teams listed as Nationally- and Regionally-Ranked.

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, <u>not as firm requirements</u>, 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

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
 - d. Aces 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

- Nominee has played in 2/3 (66.7%) of all sets (not matches) during the current season at the time of the nomination deadline. <u>Please</u> have consulted "Statistical and Selection Criteria" (page 10) 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 10.
- A match-by-match statistical account for each nominee has been uploaded by 11:59 pm ET on Monday, November 10.

Only a single-page match-by-match statistical report versus all teams should be submitted for each nominee.

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.

Computerized stats must include <u>all</u> required statistical categories as shown on **Form A (page 12)**.

- All uploaded or emailed match-by-match statistics should be formatted in a PDF or Excel format.
- ***Please avoid file names with any special characters, including apostrophes ('), ampersand (&), or number symbol (#). This will cause your file to be corrupted and not able to be viewed by voters or the selection committee.

DEADLINES

All nominations and Match-by-match statistics for each nominee must be submitted via the on-line process and at www.avca.org by 11:59 p.m. (ET) on Monday, November 10.

NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

Step-by-step instructions regarding the on-line student-athlete nomination process can be found on page 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 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 5** (after publication of NCAA NPI rankings). 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 31**, **2025**, 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 10 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. No additional nominations are accepted.

National Assistant Coach of the Year

All AVCA head coaches are eligible to nominate <u>ONE</u> 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 18**, at the AVCA USMC Honors Banquet at the 2025 AVCA Annual Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

AVCA Victory Club

Since 1985, The AVCA has recognized coaches who reach career victory milestones (in increments of 100 wins) with its Victory Club awards. The online nomination form must be submitted by Monday, **December 1 at 5:00 pm ET** at https://www.avca.org/award/avca-victory-club/ Winners will be recognized at the 2025 AVCA Annual Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

2025 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. 5 through Monday, Nov. 10 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. <u>Click the nomination link.</u> 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** (click the screen next to school/organization name and text box will appear)
 - 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. Enter the studentathlete and institution's names as you would like them to appear on any awards.
- 6. After clicking Continue,
 - a. Fill in the required fields as listed on the Statistics page
 - Stats vs. Nationally Ranked Teams
 - Stats vs. Regionally Ranked Teams
 - Stats vs. All Opponents
 - b. Click 'Save and continue'
- 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. 10 at 11:59 p.m. ET.**

- a. Click 'Choose File'.
- b. Select the appropriate file from your computer, and click 'Upload this File'.
 - ***Please avoid file names with any special characters, including apostrophes ('), ampersand (&), 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.
- c. Once you have successfully uploaded the file, click 'Complete Nomination'.
 - You will then be directed to a page where you can select to view your nominations or enter a new nomination.

STEPS TO EDIT OR UPDATE A NOMINATION:

For players selected to All-Region teams: Head Coaches are encouraged to edit their nomination to submit updated stats to include matches played after the nomination deadline, and prior to the All-America selection call.

DEADLINE: Sunday, November 23 at 1pm Eastern Time.

Head Coaches are encouraged to edit their nomination to submit updated stats for athletes that were selected to an AVCA All-Region team, prior to the All-America committee call.

Coaches are not required to update stats in order for their athletes to remain eligible for AVCA All-America honors, HOWEVER this is highly encouraged as the committee selections are based heavily on stats versus Nationally/Regionally-Ranked teams.

Please note: To ensure fair evaluation for all athletes eligible, the All-America Selection Committee will be able to view which athletes have updated stats submitted and which athletes only feature stats prior to the original deadline.

- 1. Follow the same online path and log-in process as above. Once logged in, you will be able to see all nominations that you have previously started and/or completed. Click on the nomination you would like to edit.
 - Note: Head Coaches will still be required to nominate athletes prior to the nomination deadline on Monday, Nov. 10. Coaches will not be able to submit new nominations after the deadline – only edit existing nominations. Coaches and SIDs will use the same nomination link to access previous nominations and make edits (contact AVCA for assistance if needed).

2. Items to update include:

- Updated Win/Loss records
- Updated Awards and Recognition with any potential conference awards
- Updated Stats vs All Opponents, Regionally Ranked Teams, and Nationally Ranked Teams
 - Note that the list of Nationally and Regionally Ranked Teams does not update or change from the original that is released on Wednesday, November 5.
- New Match-by-Match stats attachment
- 3. After making any edits or additions, you must CLICK "Save and Complete".

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.

School.

Player:									School:										
Opponent	TSP	SP	К	E	ТА	PCT	AST	SA	SE	Rec	RE	Rec Att.	DI G	BS	ВА	ТВ	BH E	Team Hit %	Total Points
NOMINEE TOTALS																			
TEAM TOTALS																			

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DEADLINE: Match-by-match statistics for each nominee must be uploaded **OR** arrive at the AVCA Office via email by 11:59 p.m. (EST) Monday, November 10.

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.