

Vermont Boys Scholastic Volleyball Grant Program



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*"Growing Vermont Volleyball
from the Ground Up!"*

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Purpose:

The *Vermont Boys Scholastic Volleyball Grant Program* is intended to provide an incentive and financial support to high schools, and possibly middle schools, interested in starting a varsity boy's volleyball team at their school. The funds are provided through a partnership between USA Volleyball (USAV) and the New England Region Volleyball Association (NERVA) with the potential of additional funding provided through private and corporate contributions obtained by NERVA, and/or USAV. The length of the grant is for three years although the allocation of funds may vary as a result of special needs and conditions on a school-by-school basis. The funds are intended to be used by the individual school in any manner that promotes and supports the creation and operation of a boy's varsity volleyball team with the intended result of compiling enough schools to create a Vermont State Championship Tournament. All grant compliance guidelines must be met by the recipient schools or they will be required to return all allocated grant funds.

Benefits:

- Low start-up and operating costs
- Additional opportunity for boys to experience a high paced interscholastic team sport
- Opportunity to compete for an additional league championship
- Opportunity to compete for a State Championship
- Opportunity to provide a varsity sport that your students want
- Initiate interest in starting a girls volleyball program at the school
- High spectator and community interest
- Attract additional financial supporters
- Build interest within younger player populations
- Generate interest in a lifelong sport for a healthy lifestyle
- Provide a structured setting and activity to condition for other sports
- Grant assistance (which may be used in any manner to offset team program expenses)
- Opportunity for an additional revenue-generating fall sport

Who May Apply: (listed by priority)

1. Any School that is a member of the Vermont Principals Association
2. Any high school that is starting a boy's team and girl's team simultaneously (although grant funds can only be used to support boy's programming)
3. Any high school that is starting a boy's team at the high school and middle school
4. Any school that is interested in starting a boy's volleyball team at their high school



Application Procedures & Compliance Guidelines:

To be considered for a *Vermont Boys Scholastic Volleyball Grant* the applicant must complete a Grant Application provided by USAV and submit it back to USAV. A submitted application indicates interest in receiving the grant and a commitment to adhere to the established guidelines of the grant. The application process in and of itself is not a guarantee of approval as a grant recipient. The application must:

- ❖ Be signed by the director of athletics or the building principal
- ❖ Clearly state the institution's wishes to be considered for a grant and indicate the initial year of competition planned for the new program
- ❖ Identify the institution's athletic conference(s) membership(s) and the member schools.

Guidelines

- ❖ Indicate the institution's willingness to meet the following conditions, if a grant were awarded:
 - Sponsor boys volleyball for as an interscholastic sport for at least three consecutive years
 - Register and participate in the State Championship Tournament (if qualified)
 - The coach must assist with the formation of the Vermont Volleyball Coaches Association and be an active member once the Association is formed
 - Send an annual review of the season for every year of the grant to NERVA and USAV which includes:
 - A brief written review of the season
 - A roster of the team including email addresses and coaches
 - A season schedule
 - A season record including opponents
 - Work with the NERVA and USAV to encourage the development of boys volleyball:
 - ie: create an intramural boys volleyball program or host a weekend clinic for middle school boys
 - Provide documentation of fund raising efforts initiated by the team and involving the players
 - ie: car wash

Grant Program Details:

- Grant payments of \$500 will be issued to the recipient schools in the spring
- The length of the grant will be for three (3) consecutive years
- The total allocation for the life of the grant will be \$1,500
- Failure to meet compliance guidelines will require repayment by the recipient school of all allocated grant funds to USA Volleyball.

Vermont Boys Scholastic Volleyball Grant Council members

- Jeff Mosher, Scholastic Grant Administrator, USA Volleyball (USAV)
- Dave Castanon, Commissioner, New England Region Volleyball Association (NERVA)
- Bob Johnson, Director of Student Activities, Vermont Principals Association (VPA)

Send Applications to:

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Application

If you are submitting multiple applications for consideration (for example, multiple schools from the same conference) please make copies of this form and submit all information together.

Fill out BOTH PAGES of this form completely!

School Name _____

School Address _____

School District _____

School Phone _____ Fax _____

Athletic Director _____

AD E-mail address _____ AD phone _____

Conference/Division _____

On a separate sheet, please list all conferences to which your school belongs and list the member schools.

Coach (if known) _____

Coach E-mail _____ Coach phone _____

Are you considering sponsoring girls volleyball simultaneously? Yes _____ No _____

If "Yes", give details? _____

The following information is intended to provide a better understanding of the population served by your school district.

School Population _____ Number of Boys _____ Number of Girls _____

Average Socioeconomic Status _____ % of Free and Reduced Lunch _____

Demographics of Student Population _____



