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Elite Volleyball Prep Academy

NEWSLETTER

Volleyball News

Elite Handles Its BIDness: Four Teams, One Historic Season

Elite Volleyball Club just made history...and made it look good! With 4 bids to the 2026 USAV Nationals, Elite shattered its previous record for most bids earned in a single season. Simply put: Elite handled its BIDness.

The teams punching their ticket to Nationals include **13 National CD** (USA Division), **15 National Nancy** (Liberty Division), **16 National Alex** (American Division), and **17 National CD** (Freedom Division) - a powerful representation of talent, teamwork, and relentless effort across age groups.

These bids are more than qualifications; they're proof of a culture built on commitment, preparation, and belief. Coaches, athletes, and families came together, put in the work, and delivered when it mattered most.

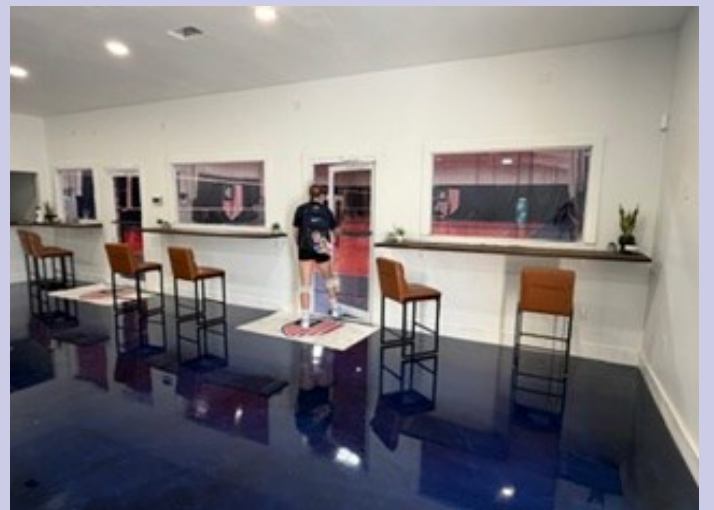
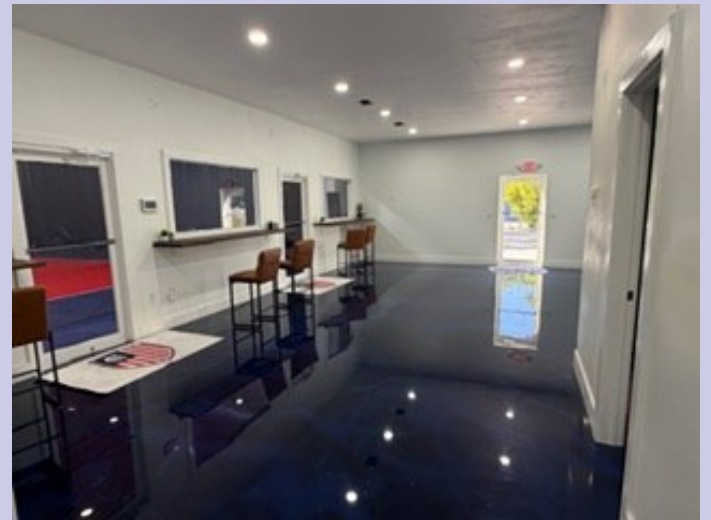
We could not be prouder of these teams and everyone behind the scenes who made this historic milestone possible. Best of luck in Minneapolis and Indianapolis this summer! Take the Elite standard with you and compete fearless. Thank you for your hard work, dedication, and heart.



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Elite HQ



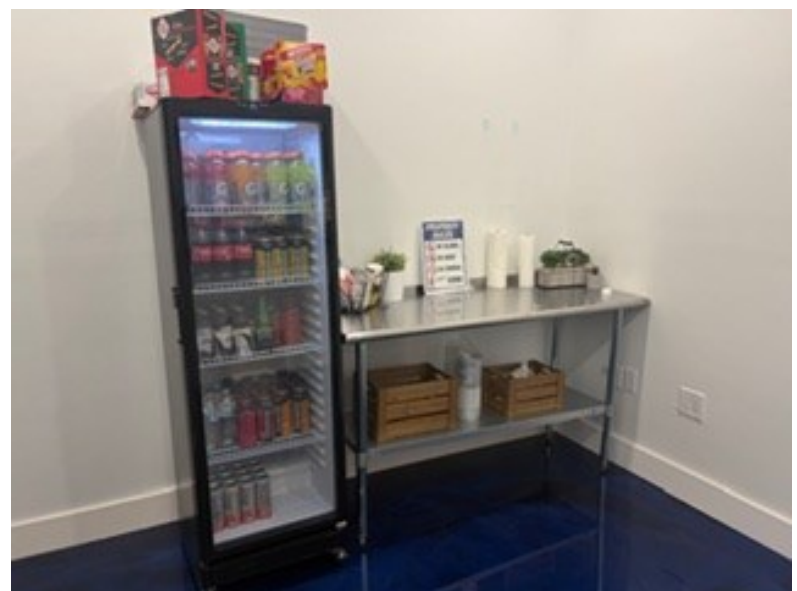
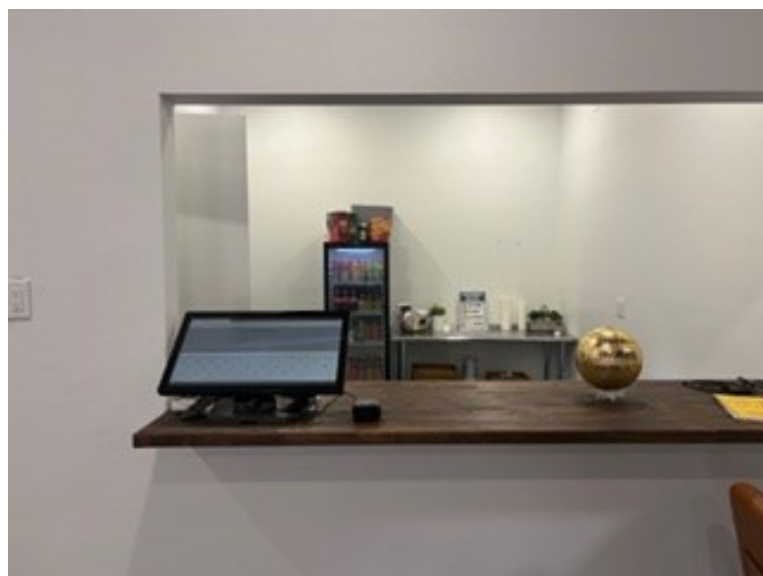
Elite HQ

We're excited to share a major milestone for our organization: we've officially opened the doors to our new Elite HQ facility. This has been a long time coming, and seeing the vision finally take shape has been incredibly rewarding. While there are still a few finishing touches and details we're actively working through, the facility already looks great and truly reflects the standard we strive to set.

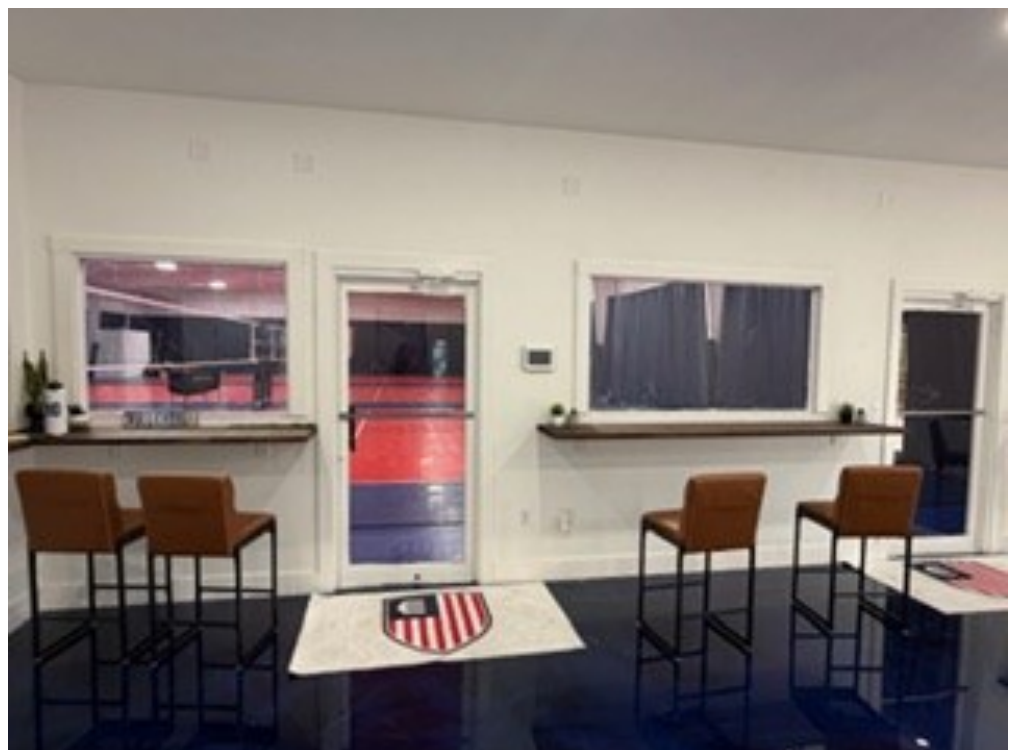
One of the most exciting parts of this new space is how it's already being used. Our athletes are in the building, training, and making it their own and the feedback so far has been overwhelmingly positive. The energy in Elite HQ is exactly what we hoped for: focused, motivated, and full of excitement for what's ahead.

In addition to the expanded space, Elite HQ will also feature a dedicated training room designed to support athlete development at the highest level. This room will allow us to elevate our training approach even further, giving our athletes access to an environment built specifically for performance, growth, and long term success.

This facility represents more than just a new location...it's a commitment to our athletes, our community, and our future. We're proud of how far we've come and even more excited about where we're headed. Thank you to everyone who has supported us along the way. We can't wait to continue building something special inside Elite HQ.



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Tryouts, Clinics, and Camps

*OUR CAMPS & CLINICS ARE OPEN TO ANY ATHLETE REGARDLESS OF CLUB AFFILIATION

Sign up for skills classes and clinics here! <https://www.elitevball.com/registerhere>

ELITE SKILLS ACADEMY

Beginner to Advanced • Ages 6–18

Perfect for Beginners & Extra Reps!



Skills Academy (10–12)

Beginner

Coach Nick Behrens

🕒 **Thursdays** 5:15–7:15pm
Elite HQ

🕒 **Saturdays** 1:00–3:00pm
Elite HQ

6424 Parkland Dr, Sarasota



Skills Academy (13+)

Beginner / Intermediate

Coach Alex

🕒 **Thursdays** 7:00–9:00pm
John Marble • Bradenton

🕒 **Saturdays** 3:00–5:00pm
Elite HQ



Skills Academy (14+)

Intermediate / Advanced

Coach Tiago Campos

🕒 **Wednesdays** 8:00–9:45pm
Saint Stephen's

🕒 **Fridays** 7:15–9:15pm
Elite HQ



Skills Academy (9–12)

Beginner

Coach Nick Behrens

🕒 **Tuesdays** 5:30–7:30pm
Lakewood Ranch Prep

Specialty Programs



Homeschool Program
Wednesdays 10:00–11:30am



Jump Starters (Ages 6–9)
Saturdays 1:00–3:00pm

All at Elite HQ

✓ 1-Day & 2-Day Options Available

✓ Programs for Every Skill Level

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Tryouts, Clinics, and Camps



ELITE VOLLEYBALL
2026-2027 TRYOUTS

FRIDAY • JULY 10
17S & 18S
TRYOUTS: 4:00-6:00 PM
10S • 11S • 12S
TRYOUTS: 6:00-8:00 PM

SATURDAY • JULY 11
13S
TRYOUTS: 9:00-11:00 AM
14S
TRYOUTS: 11:30 AM-1:30 PM
15S
TRYOUTS: 2:15-4:15 PM
16S
TRYOUTS: 5:00-7:00 PM

SUNDAY • JULY 12
10S • 11S • 12S
TRYOUTS: 8:30-9:30 AM
13S
TRYOUTS: 10:00-11:00 AM
14S
TRYOUTS: 11:30 AM-1:00 PM
15S
TRYOUTS: 1:30-3:00 PM
16S
TRYOUTS: 3:30-5:00 PM
17S & 18S
TRYOUTS: 5:30-6:30 PM

JULY 10-12
Ages 10-18
ELITE HQ
6424 Parkland Drive

SIGN-UP LINK COMING SOON

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ELITE VOLLEYBALL
PRE-TRYOUT CLINICS

TRAIN WITH ELITE COACHES BEFORE TRYOUTS

- SKILL DEVELOPMENT
- POSITION TRAINING
- TRYOUT PREPARATION



SCAN TO REGISTER



JULY 6 - 8TH **AGES 11-18**

🕒 90-MINUTE SESSIONS • 💰 \$30 PER SESSION **ELITE HQ** • 6424 PARKLAND DR, SARASOTA

ALL ATHLETES WELCOME REGARDLESS OF CLUB AFFILIATION

Tryouts, Clinics, and Camps



ELITE VOLLEYBALL
SUMMER PROGRAMS + TRAINING
Beginner to Advanced • Ages 6–18

SUMMER CAMPS
June 1–4 & July 20–23

PRE-TRYOUT CLINICS
July 6–8

2026–2027 TRYOUTS
July 10–12

ELITE SKILLS TRAINING
Perfect for Beginners & Athletes Looking for Extra Reps

- Beginner • Intermediate • Advanced
- Ages 6–18
- Multiple Locations (Sarasota • Bradenton)
- 1-Day & 2-Day Options Available

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AVAILABLE
Homeschool Training • Jump Starters (Ages 6–9)

Spots fill fast – Register now!
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ELITE VOLLEYBALL

SUMMER CAMP

Build Skills. Gain Confidence.
Have Fun.

Dates: June 1–4 & July 20–23
Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Location: 6424 Parkland Drive
Ages: 8–18 | All skill levels
Focus: All skills
Price: \$185 (4 days)

- ✓ Positive coaching environment
- ✓ Skill development for all levels
- ✓ Fun, high-energy training

SAVE YOUR SPOT

SCAN TO REGISTER



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Tournament Pictures



Tournament Pictures

Florida Volleyball Challenge

15 National Nancy

- Liberty Bid Winner
- 5th Place – Gold (National Division)

16 National Alex

- American Bid Winner
- 2nd Place – Gold (American Division)

17 National CD

- Freedom Bid Winner
- 2nd Place – Gold (Freedom Division)

13 National CD

- 2nd Place – Silver

16 National Nancy

- 3rd Place – Gold

14 National Alex

- 4th Place – Gold

14 National Tiago

- Gold Bracket Finish

11 National Nick

- 1st Place – Silver

16 Premier Tiago

- 5th Place – Gold

14 Premier Tiago

- Gold Bracket Finish

15 Julio

- 2nd Place – Silver

14 Premier Julio

- Silver Bracket Finish

15 Premier Colin

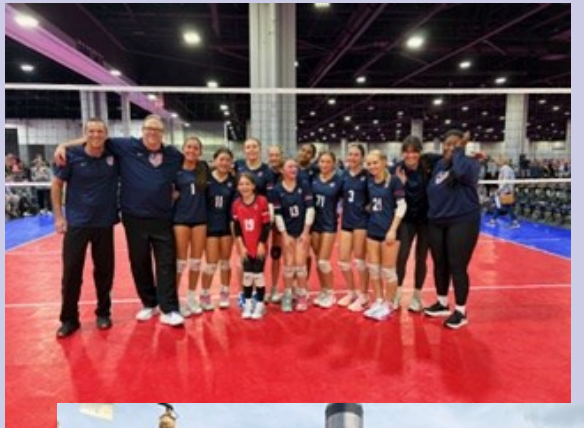
- Silver Bracket Finish

16 National Grayson

- 3-4 Record



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Tampa Slam – Wesley Chapel

- 11 Nick – 🥈 2nd Place -Gold
- 16 Tiago – 🥈 5th Place- Gold
- 14 Tiago – 🥈 5th Place- Gold
- 15 Colin – 🥈 3rd Place (Silver)

AAU Sunshine State Games Grand Prix – Orlando

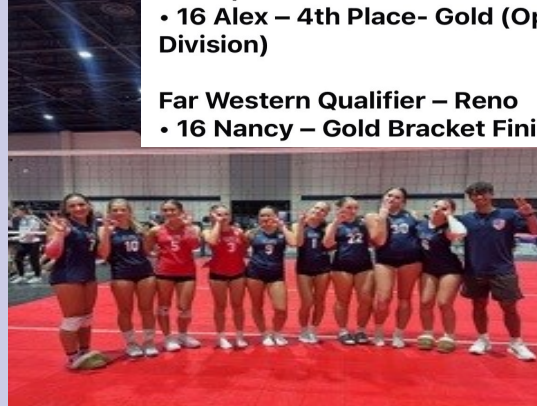
- 12 Lori – 🥈 1st Place (Silver)
- 13 Julia – 🥈 5th Place- Gold

Winner's Circle – Ocala

- 14 Alex – 🥈 3rd Place Gold (Open Division)
- 13 Chad – 🥈 3rd Place-Gold (playing up in 14s)
- 16 Alex – 🥈 4th Place- Gold (Open Division)

Far Western Qualifier – Reno

- 16 Nancy – Gold Bracket Finish



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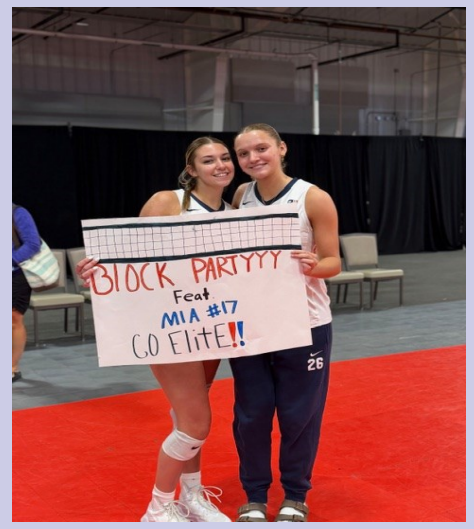
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Tournament/Bonding Pictures



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Partnerships



INFOCUS
EYECARE



Douglas R. Fabiani, DMD | Lance A. Karp, DMD



Business Partnerships available! Contact jgilmour@elitevball.com for more info!



A Note from Justin Bash

I want to congratulate Elite athletes and their families on an amazing season and would like to thank you all for choosing to be a member family of Elite. This is a club that has been successful by building our program and club **together**.

Four years ago, we decided to build a club for parents, by parents, looking to deliver the very best for Sarasota-Manatee volleyball and our youth. Four years later, we are still looking to get better every day—as players, as staff, and as a club. We have made significant strides in that time, but our mission will never be over in creating a culture and environment where families, athletes, and coaches find mutual success in reaching their goals while enjoying the journey along the way. Continually investing in a relentless pursuit of excellence is what will drive our culture and our players to success. Even bigger than the game, working hard and dreaming big is a mindset we want them to always carry.

I want to ensure everyone that our management team has always, and will always, drive toward a higher standard for our families and athletes—that's missional for us. It's in our roots and how we were founded. Clubs are by no means perfect, but actively listening to our members with humility is also central to our origin. Again, we get better together.

I want to thank the groundswell of support in delivering our new facility. It truly took a village to get that done. It is that mentality of working **together** with the club as members and families that has really allowed us to be the best we can be. At Elite, our story and our journey are our own. We were purposely breaking the mold when we started this and will continue to challenge the industry along the way. For us, it has been a demonstration of what can be accomplished when a community comes together as a collective to give our very best—constant determination, constant teamwork, and grit. These are the very lessons we want our children to take away from the game that built our four walls.

Thank you for being a part of the Elite family and congratulations on a great season to date. We look forward to building on our success together each and every day.

All the best,

Justin Bash

An AFTERWORD:

Like many of you, through my career I have had the opportunity to work across many teams working towards a common goal or deliverable. In all that time I have rarely witnessed the dedication, sacrifice and determination I witnessed delivered by Michael Boling as we retrofitted our facility. Thousands of square feet of paint, insulation, cleaning, etc. Hours and hours of demo, facility improvements, etc. Many folks contributed to the effort, but for 6 weeks Michael literally lived at that facility. I wanted to take this moment to recognize Michael Boling and his contributions to youth volleyball. If you know Michael, you aren't surprised. Thank you Michael!



If you haven't already done so, please join our **BAND** to stay updated on all communications and upcoming events: <https://band.us/n/a2a9A4dfh946y>

Not seeing Elite communications? Check your spam folder and make sure you're receiving emails from our Elite email address : Admin@elitevball.com

If you'd like to share pictures for inclusion in the next newsletter, please email them to: jgilmour@elitevball.com



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