



Elite Volleyball Prep Academy

NEWSLETTER

Volleyball News

Let the tournaments begin!



DECEMBER 14-15, 2024
DAYTONA BEACH, FL



The Tournament Season has officially kicked off, and the excitement was evident at the Nike Florida Holiday Challenge! Numerous teams returned with medals, showcasing their incredible performances. Everyone truly gave it their all and did an outstanding job!

Congratulations to these teams:

- 17 Red Allan – 1st overall in gold bracket in club
- 16 Red Dallas – Silver division champions in club
- 15 Red Nancy – 3rd overall in gold bracket in open
- 15 Red Frank – 1st overall in gold bracket in club
- 14 Red Nancy/Adam – Silver division champions in open
- 14 Red Tiago – Bronze division champions in club
- 13 Red Nick – 2nd overall in gold bracket in USA
- 13 Red Tiago – 3rd overall in gold bracket in USA
- 12 Red Julio – Gold division champions in USA



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Tournament Pictures!



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Team Bonding!



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Skills Classes and Clinics

Sign up for skills classes and clinics before they're full! <https://www.elitevball.com/registerhere>

NEW SKILLS CLASSES NOW OPEN FOR ENROLLMENT

INTERMEDIATE SKILLS	ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL	TUES./THURS. 5:30-7:30PM
ADVANCED COLLEGE PREP	CARDINAL & ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL MOONEY HS	SUNDAYS 12PM-2PM
DAYTIME SKILLS	7172 15 th STREET E, SARASOTA	MON./WED. 10AM-11:30AM
BOYS/ADVANCED SKILLS	BOOKER HIGH SCHOOL	TUES./THURS. 8:00-9:45PM
SETTER SKILLS CLASS	CARDINAL MOONEY HS	SUNDAYS 6:00-7:30PM

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SERIES WITH COACH SHEP AT THE MAC

SKILL BUILDERS AGES 9-12 THUR 5:30-7:30 SAT 1:00-3:00	SKILL ACADEMY AGES 13+ THUR 7:30-9:30 SAT 3:00-5:00
HOME SCHOOL COLLEGE PREP FOR GIRLS MON 10:00-12:00	HOME SCHOOL ADVANCED SKILLS FOR BOYS WED 10:00-12:00
HOME SCHOOL ADVANCED SKILLS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL MON 12:00-2:00	

SportsEngine, the Elite Website

Bookmark our website: <https://elitevball.sportngin.com/home>

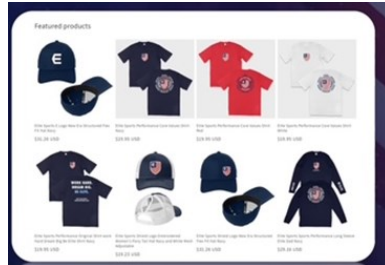
Elite Sports Inc. Apparel Store is now Live!

Here is the link to the Elite Sports Inc. Apparel Store: <https://elitevballapparel.myshopify.com>



STEPPING UP OUR APPAREL GAME

Elite is kicking off our 2025 apparel expansion. We are forming a subcommittee and having many new options rolling in. Make sure to send us your ideas and check out some of our new gear. Access our apparel store through our website at [Elitevball.com](https://elitevball.com) →
More+ → Elite Apparel and Gear



Featured products

- Elite Cap - \$24.99
- Elite T-Shirt - \$24.99
- Elite T-Shirt - \$24.99
- Elite T-Shirt - \$24.99
- Elite T-Shirt - \$24.99
- Elite Hat - \$24.99
- Elite Hat - \$24.99
- Elite Hat - \$24.99
- Elite Jacket - \$49.99

SE Motion App

Download the SE Motion App which is very informative and has capabilities beneficial for all parents!

Google Play: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.teamunify.sestudio&hl=en_US

Apple Store: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/sportsengine-motion/id1341532680>



THE NEW
sportsengine
APP IS HERE

Improved features and performance are now ready for you—with even more on the way.

Available on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play



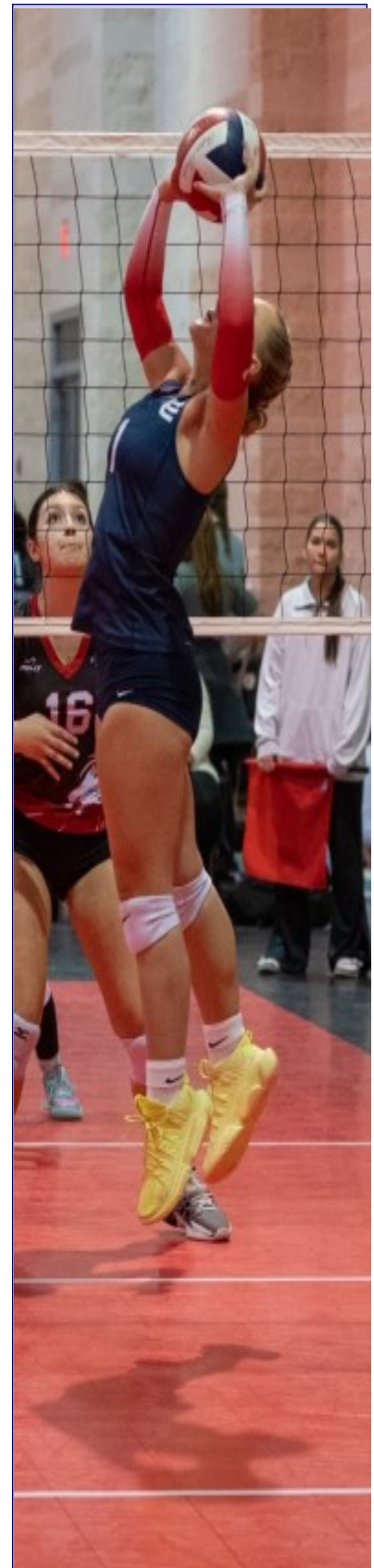
Practice Schedules/Calendar

Elite Practice Schedules. Please look on Elite website for up to date schedules: <https://elitevball.sportngin.com/page/show/8667825-calendar#>

To find a specific team, scroll to the bottom of the page and check the box(es).

Tournament Schedule


The tournament schedule can be found here: [Tournament Schedule \(sportngin.com\)](#)



Meet the Coaches!


We are excited to announce that our community of volleyball athletes at Elite is expanding, and so is our exceptional coaching team!

Each month, we will spotlight a few of our new coaches, giving you the opportunity to get to know them better!



MEET THE COACH

DALLAS ADAM
SENIOR COACH



I'm a 51-year-old volleyball enthusiast with over 30 years of playing experience. Originally from Pennsylvania, I relocated to Florida in 1997.

Throughout my career, I competed in professional beach volleyball tournaments in Ocean City, MD, and Florida, proudly sponsored by Provolley, a local volleyball and surf shop. I also had the privilege of coaching and playing for Kutztown University's men's volleyball team.

Currently, I am the head coach and director of Blaze Beach Volleyball Club. Additionally, I serve as the head coach for Lakewood Ranch's beach volleyball team and the JV coach for their indoor team. My coaching journey began about six years ago at Evo Volleyball Club and I'm loving every moment spent with Elite.

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MEET THE COACH

ASHLEY COLLITT
HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH



I played volleyball and ran track at Charleston Southern University. I competed in top-level club volleyball across the United States, including Colorado, and was a Top 150-level club team player. Currently, I coach volleyball at St. Stephens Episcopal School.

- Tell me a fun fact about yourself:
I grew up on a ranch in Colorado. I rode horses and showed pigs in 4-H. I also randomly decided to join track because of a bet and then ended up as a D1-level sprinter.
- Tell me your favorite volleyball memory:
My favorite volleyball memory was in 8th grade when my Dad and I drove all the way to Wyoming and got lunch and enjoyed a day for my first unofficial visit at the University of Wyoming. I was so excited to grow in my career and play like those girls!
- Tell me a quote you live by:
JUST DO IT! Nike

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MEET THE COACH

COLIN BURNS
HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH



My name is Colin Burns. I grew up in Whitehouse Station, New Jersey, and graduated from Hunterdon Central Regional High School in 2020. I've been passionate about volleyball for nine years, primarily playing as a libero and defensive specialist. In 2024, I earned my degree in Psychology from The Ohio State University, with minors in Spanish and Business. One of my key goals is to foster a positive environment while developing highly disciplined, self-reliant players both on and off the court.

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Athlete of the Month Spotlight

Each month, we will proudly recognize an athlete who embodies the spirit of Elite. This month, we are thrilled to celebrate Elsie Brooker, our Athlete of the Month!

Elsie Brooker, a 12-year-old 6th grader at Student Leadership Academy in Venice, has been named Athlete of the Month. She is on the 12U Red Team under the leadership of Coach Julio. Elsie's dedication, skill, and sportsmanship on the court have made her a standout player and an inspiration to her peers. Congratulations, Elsie!



ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

ELsie BROOKER



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Elsie Brooker

What have you learned about teamwork from your past experiences on your teams?

The most important thing I've learned from playing volleyball is that your attitude matters a lot. It doesn't matter how good your team is at playing, if everyone isn't positive and working together, you won't do well. If someone has a bad attitude, it can bring the whole team down. Volleyball is a team sport, and you need to respect each other, talk to each other, and work as one. It's not just about being good by yourself, it's about how you play together as a team.

Elsie Brooker

Is there a coach or athlete you look up to as a role-model and why?

I really look up to Coach Julio because he's super dedicated to both the sport and to us. He knows how to get us pumped up and always pushes us to do our best while making sure we have a fun and supportive team vibe. What makes him special is how much he knows about the game, and how he focuses on teamwork, staying disciplined, and being tough mentally. When we make a mistake, he encourages us and talks to us. Never talking down to us or yelling at us or even pulling us off the court. Coach Julio really cares about helping each of us get better, not just at volleyball but as people too. His love for the game and our team makes me want to try my hardest every practice and game.



Elsie Brooker

Where did your passion for Volleyball come from?

I started playing volleyball when I was 9, and it was all because of my sister, Emily. She was already really into volleyball, and she taught me the basics. After school, she'd take me out in the backyard to practice my serves and pepper, always being super patient and encouraging. Emily has been my role model from the start, helping me with her advice and experience. She not only helped me get better at volleyball but also made me fall in love with it. Even now, she still gives me tips on blocking and hitting and cheers me on no matter what. Her support and belief in me always keeps me motivated to keep going with volleyball.



At the Pinecraft tournament, three elite coaches, two skilled class athletes, one travel team player, and special guest, Jordan Byrd, all joined forces for an exciting day of volleyball. They played the game they love while raising money for a great cause!

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:

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