

2026-2027 TRYOUT SCHEDULE



PRACTICES IN ARLINGTON HEIGHTS AREA

TRYOUT LOCATION:

Christian Liberty Academy (CLA)

502 W. Euclid Ave • Arlington Heights, IL 60004

**If Possible, Athletes Should Attend Both Tryout Dates.
Selections Begin the First Tryout Date.**

11/12/13 & Under (5th-7th Grade) • 14 & Under (8th Grade) • 15 & Under (9th Grade) • 16 & Under (10th Grade) • 17 & Under (11th Grade) • 18 & Under (12th Grade)

AGE GROUP	GRADUATION	SATURDAY, JULY 11	SATURDAY, JULY 18
All 11/12/13 & Under Premier Teams	2034-2032	2:30PM - 5:00PM	2:00PM - 4:00PM
14 & Under Origin and Premier Teams	2031	5:30PM - 8:30PM	4:00PM - 6:00PM
15 & Under Origin and Premier Teams	2030	9:30AM - 11:30AM	9:30AM - 11:30AM
16 & Under Origin and Premier Teams	2029	12:00PM - 2:00PM	11:30AM-1:30PM
17 & Under Origin and Premier Teams	2028	8:00AM - 9:30AM	8:00AM - 9:30AM
18 & Under Origin and Premier Teams	2027	8:00AM - 9:30AM	8:00AM - 9:30AM

ROLLING THUNDER

VOLLEYBALL CLUB

Rolling Thunder Origin Teams:

These teams will train to be able to succeed in the sport of volleyball at their highest level possible. Developmental opportunities include positional training, speed and agility training, and nutritional education. The Origin Teams will participate in at least one out of state mid-year event as well as a National Event at the end of the season. For more information about our Origin teams, please see the grid below.

Rolling Thunder Premier Teams:

All our Rolling Thunder Premier Teams will receive the same on-court training that our Rolling Thunder Origin teams will receive. The significant difference between the two Programs is the length of the season and the National Event. For more information about our Premier teams, please see the grid below.

2026-2027 Girls Teams: Origin and Premier

Team Category Age Group	Premier Teams U11-U13	Premier Teams U14-U18	Origin Teams U14-U18
Training Location	Arlington Heights North North and NW Suburbs	Arlington Heights North North and NW Suburbs	Arlington Heights North North and NW Suburbs
Season Start - Finish	November - May	November - May	November - June
Training Days per Week	2-3	3	3
Competition Days per Month	2-3	2-4	2-4
Out of State Travel Events	No	No	Yes
Strength and Quickness	Limited	Yes	Yes
Dedicated Positional Training	Yes	Yes	Yes
Roster Size	10-12	10-12	10-12

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

STEP 1. Complete the Great Lakes Region Registration:

Any player who is coming to tryouts and does not have a current USAV membership from the 2025-2026 season will need to take out a Tryout Membership. Here is the link for the Tryout 2026. It will be good from July - December.

<https://memberships.sportsengine.com/buy/11f1561c-931d-d88e-879e-6e588bbb388b>

This membership is valid for athletes participating in a Tryout Only. This membership is \$10.00, IS UPGRADABLE ON 9/1, and good for any NEW GLR/USAV members wanting to Tryout in Summer/Fall. Current full Junior Members do not need to purchase Tryout Membership for the July 11th or Summer Tryout.

STEP 2. Complete the Rolling Thunder VBC Registration

- Go to www.rollingthundervbc.com and click on "Registration" on the main menu
- Bring the Confirmation Page from Step 1 above to the 7/11 Tryout
- The Rolling Thunder Tryout Fee will be \$40.00 (non-refundable)

AGE DEFINITIONS

18 and Under Division: Athletes born on or after July 1, 2008
16 and Under Division: Athletes born on or after July 1, 2010
14 and Under Division: Athletes born on or after July 1, 2012
12 and Under Division: Athletes born on or after July 1, 2014

17 and Under Division: Athletes born on or after July 1, 2009
15 and Under Division: Athletes born on or after July 1, 2011
13 and Under Division: Athletes born on or after July 1, 2013
11 and Under Division: Athletes born on or after July 1, 2015