



PRESS RELEASE

USAV Regions To Present USA All-Star Championships in Orlando, Florida!

Event replaces the cancelled USA Volleyball High Performance Championships

ORLANDO, FL, May 14, 2021 - The Regions of USA Volleyball are proud to announce the creation of the USA All-Star Championships, an elite volleyball event for regional all-star teams, that will be held July 21-25 in Orlando, Fla. This event will replace the High Performance Championships, originally scheduled for Phoenix, Arizona.

Produced by the regions and hosted by the Florida Region of USA Volleyball at the Orange County Convention Center, the inaugural event will feature all-star teams from many of the 40 Regions of USA Volleyball in six women's/girl's divisions and three boy's divisions.

The Orange County Convention Center's Executive Director **Mark Tester** commented, "The OCC is thrilled to welcome and support this USA Volleyball sanctioned all-star event along with its athletes, coaches and fans to our safe and healthy venue in Orlando. Volleyball continues to be a significant driver in Central Florida's economic recovery and we are pleased that Orlando was selected as the host city for the upcoming USA All-Star Championships in July!"

Since the unfortunate cancellation of the High Performance Championships on May 6, the Regions have worked to secure convention center space and court rentals and have committees in place to finalize details on international and high-level officials and training opportunities, collegiate coaches and recruiting opportunities, vendors (AES, BallerTV, University Athlete, NeuroFuel, GymRats & Team Travel Source) and many other partners, to ensure this event exceeds all expectations.

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“This is an important annual event and the speed at which it was formed is a testament to the collective talent and creativity of the 40 regions of USA Volleyball,” commented **Steve Bishop**, President of the Florida Region and this year’s event host. “This group possesses amazing skills as independent organizations, and when those resources and talents are combined, there isn’t much they cannot accomplish. On behalf of our Florida Region members, we’re honored to host this inaugural event and we look forward to welcoming the regional all-star delegations and their fans along with top officials and college recruiters to Orlando later this summer for an event to remember.”

The ability to pivot and make the best of a challenging situation is being demonstrated by the collaborative efforts of many Regions in-front-of and behind the scenes, using decades of experience in running high-quality events for their members. More details will be forthcoming, and information on the event can be found on the USAV Regions website:

<https://www.usavregions.org/2021-usa-all-star-champs.html>

Please contact your region with specific questions on regional participation in the 2021 All-Star Championships. <https://www.usavregions.org/regions.html>

About the USA Volleyball Regions:

The 40 regions operate in affiliation with USA Volleyball (USAV), which serves as the National Governing Body (NGB) for the sport of volleyball in the United States. They operate collectively as the Regional Volleyball Association Assembly (RVAA). Their structure consists of 40 independent region leaders working together in partnership with USAV to serve 400,000+ members annually. The regions offer grassroots indoor, outdoor, & para volleyball for adults, juniors, coaches, & officials. More info at www.usavregions.org.

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