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INAUGURAL USA ALL-STAR CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL BEGIN JULY 21ST, 2021

Forty-Four junior all-star volleyball teams from eleven delegations will compete at the 2021 USA All-Star Championships in Orlando, FL beginning July 21ST.

Eustis, FL –July 16, 2021 – The USA All-Star Championships is produced by the regions and hosted by the Florida Region of USA Volleyball at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, FL. The inaugural event will feature all-star teams from ten of the forty Regions of USA Volleyball in six women's/girl's divisions and three boy's divisions. These delegations include Arizona, Badger, Florida, Gulf Coast, Iowa, North Country, Oklahoma, Old Dominion, Puerto Rico, Southern, and Western Empire.

Notable people that will be in attendance are **Caren Kemner** (Iowa Region), 4X Olympian, Bronze Medalist, and named All-Tourney Team at the '92 Barcelona Olympics. **Deitre Collins Parker** (Arizona Region), 1988 Olympian and AVCA Hall of Fame member. **Eric Duda** (Southern Region), 2X Paralympian, and 2014 and 2018 Male Sitting Player of the Year and **Barbara Harwerth** (Gulf Coast Region), 1964 Olympian.

All delegations will arrive on July 20th, have practice on July 21st, and compete from July 22nd – July 25th. Team practice will begin at 9am on July 21st. Competition will begin at 9am Thursday – Saturday and 8am on Sunday. There will be ten oversized courts throughout the OCCC West Halls in A4-B1. You can find the full court schedule on Advanced Event Systems here: [Home - AES Event Results \(advancedeventsystems.com\)](http://www.advancedeventsystems.com)

The Event Leadership of the USA All-Star Championships consists of the Event Planning Committee and the Official's Planning committee. The Event Planning Committee is **Steve Bishop** (Florida, Chair), **Ron Pelham** (Arizona), **Brian Sharkey** (Badger), **Kurt Trout** (Iowa), and **Philip Bryant** (Gulf Coast). The Official's Planning Committee is **Steve Kenyon** (Southern, Chair), **Julie Voeck** (Badger), **Michelle Prater** (Southern), and **Sue Wainio** (Florida).

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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