2024 Dodgeland Volleyball Program

# **Program**

Welcome to the 2024 Dodgeland Volleyball program. Our sport is a unique game. We do not have a timer or game clock; players cannot just sub in for each other and most players are position specific. We have a limit on total subs per set and a limit on which players can enter for other players. Players will not be guaranteed “equal” playing time to another player on any level.

The program is built on different levels to achieve the end goal of a successful Varsity squad. JV2 is the

ground level. The JV2 players will get many opportunities to play and develop as volleyball players. The JV1 is the next level, at this level everyone will have an opportunity to play and contribute and more emphasis will be put on position and outcome, limiting the opportunities of some players. The Varsity level is about working hard to be the best team we can be and in accordance with that, the team that sees the floor is the team that has the best opportunity to win the match.

# **Communication**

A part of being a Dodgeland Volleyball athlete is personal growth. One way that we can help our athletes grow, is to make sure that they are communicating on their own with our coaches. We will have a communication path that we expect athletes and parents to adhere to it.

Please understand that the Dodgeland Volleyball coaches have an open-door policy. The 24-hour rule applies to after a game and 12-hours after practice. If you ever have any questions or concerns we want you to feel free to contact us.

**1st Step – Parent to Player Communication.**

This a very important step. Past experiences have shown that some questions that parents have for one of our coaches can be resolved by asking the player first.

**2nd Step – Player to Coach Communication.**

We need to empower our athletes to speak up for themselves. Coach Grisolono, Coach Becker and I are not scary people. There is a time and place, for this communication. Before or after practice. Not during practice. Not during competition. If the issue is not resolved, then we will move to the next step.

**3rd Step – Parent and Player to Coach (and Varsity Coach) Communication.**

Players AND parents will then meet with the coach (and Varsity coach, if it is a JV player) and

talk about the issue at hand.

**4th Step –** We will include the AD in the conversation if the issue is still not resolved.

# **Illness/Studies**

Communication is important. It is the duty of the player to inform the coach(es) of their absence. Our emails are listed at the end of this communication section. If a player is getting help from a teacher after school and will be late or has gone home ill from school, this information still needs to be relayed to their coach.

**Game & Practice Rules**

**1.** Good effort, good attitude, and respect of teammates and all coaches is always expected. Failure to do so may result in game or practice suspension.

**2.** All team members and managers must be **on time** for practice. All levels will practice at Dodgeland High School.

If you need to be late due to test make-up or something for school, you must present your coach with a pass from your instructor. You are expected to stay until practice is over, unless you have an excuse cleared by your coach.

**3.** All players and managers are expected to be at all practices and games. If you become ill during the school day or know you will not be at practice or a game because of an illness or emergency, you must let your coach know in person or by phone. DO NOT HAVE A FRIEND RELAY THE MESSAGE! All excused absences must be accompanied by a note from a parent, guardian, or doctor. *Examples of excused absences are illness, counseling, funerals, etc. Absences that are not mentioned here will be left to the discretion of the coach.* **Unexcused absences may result in not starting, a game suspension or team dismissal**.

**4.** Volleyball attire must be worn at all practices (i.e. t-shirt and spandex). No jean shorts, shirts with the sides cut out or tank tops.
**5.** If you are injured during the season, you will be expected to be at all practices and games.
**6.** Wear appropriate attire to school every day (of the season), especially on games days. You represent Dodgeland High School. We will dress up for all match days.

**7.** Leave personal problems off the court and out of the gym. You are here to play volleyball for a short period of the day. Concentrate and focus on volleyball for this time period. **A solid team is one that depends on every member to be 100% focused.**

**8.** For away matches, the player may take the bus or leave with a parent. You must present the coach with the appropriate form filled out by parents. The player and parent must come to their coach and get the form and tell them they are leaving so coaches can keep track of all players. We view our program as a family and hope for each level to support the other levels. Varsity players are expected to attend freshman and JV games. Also, freshman and JV players are expected to stay or attend the varsity games.

**9.** Dress promptly before games---come out as a team for warm-ups.

**10.** Whether you are in the game or on the bench, be supportive of your teammates and be ready to enter the match any time you are asked to by the coaching staff.

**11.** We have a 24 hour rule. This means that the day of a match if a player or parent has concerns about something that a coach did, they must wait 24 hours to address or talk to the coach. This is to ensure all conversations are of sound mind and not out of anger.

**12.** We expect that you will follow the Athletic Code at all times. Remember everything is a choice. Your choices reflect on you and the consequences can effect you and your teammates. You have made a commitment to each other. Honor that commitment with smart choices.

**The above rules are brought to your attention to eliminate any confusion during the season. These are rules we find to be fair and necessary for us to have a successful season. Please understand that if these rules are not followed, the consequences could be, but not limited to, not starting, a game suspension or team dismissal.**

# **E-Mails**

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Co-Head Varsity Coach Bingen :: bingenr@dodgeland.k12.wi.us
Head JV Coach Kelly Fink :: fink@dodgeland.k12.wi.us

# **Schedule (first 3 weeks)**

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| ***Sunday*** | ***Monday*** | ***Tuesday*** | ***Wednesday*** | ***Thursday*** | ***Friday*** | ***Saturday*** |
| ***Aug 18*** | ***Aug 19*** | ***Aug 20*** | ***Aug 21*** | ***Aug 22*** | ***Aug 23*** | ***Aug 24*** |
|  | ***Tryouts4-6:30pm*** | ***Tryouts4-6:30pm*** | **Varsity**4-6:30pm**JV**3:15-5:00pm | **Varsity**4-6:30pm**JV**3:15-5:00pm | **Varsity**4-6:30pm**JV**3:15-5:00pm | **Varsity***8-11:00 AM***JV***8-11:00 AMHome Scrimmage* |
| ***Aug 25*** | ***Aug 26*** | ***Aug 27*** | ***Aug 28*** | ***Aug 29*** | ***Aug 30*** | ***Aug 31*** |
|  | **Varsity***4-6:30pm***JV**3:15-5:00pm ***PHOTO DAY3:30 PM*** | **Varsity**5:00 PM**JV**5:00 PM@ Princeton Triangular | **Varsity**4-6:30pm**JV**3:15-5:00pm | **Varsity***7:00pm***JV**5:30pm*@ Lomira HS* | **Varsity**4-6:30pm**JV**3:15-5:00pm |  |
| ***Sept 1*** | ***Sept 2*** | ***Sept 3*** | ***Sept 4*** | ***Sept 5*** | ***Sept 6*** | ***Sept 7*** |
|  | **LABOR DAY***No Practices* | **Varsity**4:30-6:30pm**JV**3:15-5:00pm | **Varsity**4:30-6:30pm**JV**3:15-5:00pm | **Varsity***7:15pm***JV**5:45pm*Home vs CWC* | **Varsity**4:30-6:30pm **JV**3:15-5:00pm |  |

**Parent/Student Agreement** (2024-2025)

I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, (parent’s name – please print)  have read and agree to the terms, conditions, and

expectations in the Dodgeland High School Volleyball Handbook.

Parent’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, (athlete’s name – please print) have read and agree to the terms, conditions, and

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Athlete’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_