



HERE IS WHAT TO EXPECT THE DAY OF TRYOUTS

We know and understand tryout day is filled with many emotions and much excitement; and that families are jumping into a commitment that may feel unclear.

In an attempt to lend clarity to the process, and in turn, some comfort, please review the included tryout day flow.

Pre-Arrival

- Make sure you are pre-registered for tryouts at kokorovolleyball.com/tryouts. It is highly encouraged you register before 10pm the night before your tryout day to be certain you have had the opportunity to receive all necessary communications.
- Your tryout confirmation email will contain an opportunity for you to review our 2021-2022 Kokoro Volleyball Handbook. It will be required for you to complete the 2021-2022 Kokoro Volleyball Handbook Acknowledgement, located at the end of the Kokoro Volleyball Handbook, before tryouts.
- Once you arrive at Kokoro Volleyball it is assumed you are committed to playing with us for the 2021-2022 season, regardless of the team on which you are placed. Be certain to have this crucial conversation before your arrival as there will not be an opportunity for discussion, among athlete and parent, during the tryout/evaluation process.

Pre-Arrival Forms (Complete in Advance and Bring to Tryouts)

- Tryout Evaluation Form
- JVA Medical Release and Waiver Form
- NEW: Copy of Birth Certificate
- Have two separate payments ready in advance. (1) Tryout fee if not already paid - \$35 (2) \$750 down payment. Cash or check accepted. This will be returned, if not selected to be in the program.

Step 1 - Arriving

- Arrive 30 minutes early to your scheduled tryout; doors will not be open earlier.
- Athlete and ONE parent will be allowed to enter Kokoro Volleyball. Parent will not be staying, just assisting with check-in.
- Enter through main sliding doors on east side of building.

Step 2 - Check-In

- Approach one of several available check-in tables.
- At check-in we will confirm athlete's registration and tryout payment.
- Tryout t-shirt will be provided and number will be documented.
- Tryout evaluation form will be provided if one was not already printed.
- Down payment of \$750 will be collected and documented with athlete's tryout number. This will be given back to athlete in the unlikely event the athlete is not selected to be in the program.

Step 3 - Prepare for Evaluations

- Parent exits Kokoro Volleyball through same doors entered.
- Athlete should proceed to ETS room to prepare for evaluations. Shoes, kneepads and tryout t-shirt on.
- All items should be placed inside backpacks while not in use and backpacks zipped.
- Socially distanced areas will be available to place backpacks.

Step 4 - Evaluations

- All athletes will be placed in random groups and moved through 9, timed stations.
- Stations include: height, approach jump, broad jump, shuttle run, passing, setting, attacking, serving, defense.
- At each station athletes will be evaluated and given an evaluation number. While athletes move stations, evaluators remain the same to provide inter-rater reliability.
- At the conclusion of all 9 stations, athletes will play.
- Also at this time, Club Directors and selected staff total evaluation scores and assess athletes in relation to number of teams and their composition in each age division.

Step 5 - Kokoro Volleyball "Offers"

- At the conclusion of the evaluation process, all athletes will be given a sealed envelope with confirmation of acceptance into the program or encouragement to continue to improve and tryout again next year.
- Envelopes will not be opened until all have exited building and back in vehicles with parents. .
- Again, in the unlikely event you do not make our program, the \$750 down payment will be returned in your envelope.

Step 6 - Athletes Exit

- Athletes will be released in groups to go retrieve backpacks and put on sweats/coats.
- Athletes will exit the same doors they entered at beginning of day with their sealed envelope in hand.

Step 7 - Welcome Email

- Keep your eye on your inbox as all athletes participating with us will receive a welcome email.
- Email will be sent to all addresses provided in TeamSnap during the tryout registration process.
- This email will be sent 1-2 days after your initial tryout date.
- This will include "how to order" additional fan gear, important details regarding what is next, and more.

Step 8 - Mark Your Calendar

- Subsequent evaluations will take place on the following date.
- 12s - 14s
 - Monday, Nov. 1
 - Wednesday, Nov. 3
 - Times TBD; evening
 - Teams officially announced Thursday, Nov. 4 by 10pm via email.
- 15s-18s
 - Monday, Nov. 15
 - Wednesday, Nov. 17
 - Times TBD; evening
 - Teams officially announced Thursday, Nov. 18 by 10pm via email.