



## Southern Heat Volleyball Club, LLC Information

Established 2004, Updated 9/15/10

### Philosophy

#### **COMPETITIVE TRAINING PROGRAM.**

The philosophy of Southern Heat is to educate, develop and train young athletes in the sport of volleyball. We are dedicated to the development of teamwork, communication, sportsmanship and good work ethic. Provide training which allows each player to participate successfully on their grade /high school teams and for Junior/Seniors an opportunity to seek scholarships for collegiate teams if desired.

### Club Requirments

Listed below are policies established. Joining Southern Heat Volleyball Club is a privilege and by joining our club, parents and players willingly agree to the items listed below. If any of these items present a problem for you, we ask that you reevaluate your decision before joining our club.

**Parent and Player commitment is the key your teams success.**

### Season and Teams

- Club volleyball season for boys are October thru Feb, girls are January through May. National's or late tournaments are in June or July.
- Teams could consist of ages group, ages 12 through 18. Please note the age requirement from the gateway region. This is a regional rule.
- The number of players per team is 9 –10 or more depending on the makeup of the team.
- Teams ages 12-13 do not travel. Tournaments are in the St. Louis Metro East Area held on Saturday or Sunday. 13's may travel at the coach's decision.
- **Travel Teams – ages 14 through 18 (except boys 14's). These team travel to at least one out of town tournament or more at the coach's decision.**

**Team Tournaments Local & Travel Attendance is Required– Local tournaments are in the Metro East and St. Louis Area.**

- Girls 12's and boys 14's will participate in 4-5 local tournaments,
- Girls 13 to 18 and Boys 14-18 will participate in 6-8 local depending on tournaments available.
- **Travel Teams – ages 14 through 18 (except boys 14's). These team travel to at least one out of town tournament or more at the coach's decision and is an additional cost per player.**
- Any age group has the right to attend additional out of town tournaments at the decision of the coach and will be an additional cost to each player.
- Most tournament schedules are decided on by the end of January, boys in October, with exceptions of tournaments cancellation, etc.
- **PLAN YOUR PERSONAL SCHEDULE ACCORDINGLY to attend practices and tournaments.**
- Players shall attend all tournaments from start to finish including REFFING AND OFFICIATING DUTIES.

### **Practices times and location**

- Every player should attend every practice in order to gain the most from their club experience.
- **Each team** may practice 2 –3 times a week, twice during the week and once on Sunday.

### **Policy on Playing time**

- Southern Heat's philosophy is practice and training is where players receive the most instruction and experience as individuals and as a team. Missing practices or tournaments will affect your playing time as decided by the coach for their team.
- Southern Heat offers **NO guarantee** playing time or position. Players and parents must be satisfied with the opportunity to train.

### **Respecting Coaches Decisions and Discussing Issues**

- Coaching decisions are the SOLE responsibility of the coach.
- Specific match decisions about who plays when, subbing, and the amount of time given any athlete on the court is the result of a complex decision determined by the coach's evaluation of an athlete's skill ability, attitude, position and overall make up of the team.
- The coach is not be required to defend his or her thought processes or decisions, and it is improper and unacceptable for a parent to request a coach, or the club to do so.
- Under **NO circumstances** during practices, matches, tournaments, or other club activities is a coach, club administrator, or any other club personnel to be approached or confronted with a complaint from a parent.
- If a parent has a legitimate concern, or is not satisfied with a particular issue, we require a formal letter of concern to be submitted in writing or via-email, to the coach and then the specific issue can be addressed.

### **Budget**

- Fee per player:s Girls 12 and Boys 14 and under is \$625.00; Girls 13-18 and Boys 15-18 is \$700.00. Fee includes local tournaments, uniforms, coaches and gym rental.
- There is an **additional costs for out of town tournaments.** Each team is responsible for paying for the tournament fee and the coach's travel room and board. Cost is approximately \$200.00 more or less per player per out of town tournament depending on location and is due the night of registration is **not refundable.**
- Dues are to be paid as follows: Half the night of registration plus the cost of the out of town tournament. Remainder dues for the boys are December 21<sup>st</sup> and girls are January 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **College Recruiting**

Southern Heat can assist high school players in developing their Profile and skills tape as well as contact colleges where players are interested in attending.

**I have read and acknowledge the terms and conditions as stated above.**

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**Parent and Player signature & Date**