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Dear Sport Club Director

As you may be aware, there is a new ***national*** collegiate club volleyball championship tournament planned for collegiate volleyball club teams across America. This event will be held on April 1-3, 2010 in Louisville, Kentucky and is being proudly hosted by the National Collegiate Volleyball Federation (NCVF) and USA Volleyball. We are writing to inform you about these organizations and hopefully answer any questions you may have regarding the 2010 NCVF National Collegiate Club Championship Tournament.

USA Volleyball is recognized by the US Olympic Committee as the national governing body for the sport of volleyball in the United States. USA Volleyball has vast expertise in event management and running large volleyball tournaments for people of all ages and abilities. It trains players, coaches and officials and sets standards for all aspects of the game. You can visit its website at [www.usavolleyball.org](http://www.usavolleyball.org).

The NCVF acts as the national governing body for organized collegiate club volleyball competitions. For over two decades, NCVF volunteers have provided a full range of support for student club teams by promoting year-long affordable, organized and competitive volleyball events, and supporting a season-ending national championship tournament. The NCVF provides college club teams and club leagues with best practice guidance for running events, uniform and year long-player and team eligibility rules that respect institutional requirements, training and competition protocols, sportsmanship standards and enforced behavior standards. NCVF efforts cover beginning through advanced level student teams. NCVF organizational volunteers include players, coaches, commissioners, representatives, officials, trainers and sports recreation directors, most of who are volleyball club alumni from schools such as your own.

We hope you will support your club team's choice of the 2010 NCVF Championship Tournament confident that our event will offer them the highest quality and best competition, and that USA Volleyball and the NCVF will maintain the best interests of the students and the sport of volleyball as their guiding principles. Please consider the following attributes that distinguish the NCVF tournament:

- The NCVF National Championship Tournament will feature continuity of tournament leadership by the two prominent fixtures to the national championship tournament scene -- Gary Colberg, NCVF Director of Competition (in his 26<sup>th</sup> year and the founder of the national collegiate club championship tournament) and Jose Jones, NCVF Tournament Director and Scheduler (who has operated the national championship tournament desk and been in charge of all competitions for all divisions for the past 18 years).
- Seamless management of team and player eligibility rules through the NCVF will cover season-long competitions as well as the national championship event; changes to player and team eligibility rules will be announced well in advance of the competitive season; the same best practices guidance applicable to in-season competitions will be used to manage the national championship event.
- The NCVF and USA Volleyball will sustain organized growth, both in terms of the number of teams and the various divisional assignments that encourage and support beginning through advanced level players. The NCVF is also planning to debut national club beach



volleyball competitions and a national collegiate club beach volleyball championship next year.

- Site selection, housing and event management for the national tournament will be professionally provided by the national governing body for the sport -- USA Volleyball. This organization has world-class event management and large tournament administrative experience that is specific to the sport of volleyball. For example, it runs the US Open National Championship event, drawing thousands of participants to the world's most prestigious amateur volleyball event.
- Both the NCVF and USA Volleyball are contractually committed to provide financial transparency so that all revenue and expenses associated with the national championship tournament will be made available in report form to all participants and schools. Consistent with its non-profit charter, the NCVF believes that every penny of student expenditures should be accounted for and that the students themselves should have a strong independent voice in directing how their funds will be expended. Thus, student representatives will have a place on the tournament management committee and pursuant to the NCVF Bylaws, have their own Advisory Counsel.
- Both the NCVF and USA Volleyball are committed to help reduce costs for student participation while at the same time providing quality and year-long support opportunities.

On behalf of our many volunteers and supporters, thanks for all that you do to support student club athletes at your school and for taking time to become acquainted with NCVF and USA Volleyball joint efforts to enhance and expand club volleyball opportunities. If you have additional questions, feel free to visit the FAQ section on the NCVF website - [www.NCVFVolleyball.org](http://www.NCVFVolleyball.org) or contact us directly.

Sincerely,

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