

**2018-2019**

**Parent Informational Meeting**



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The **mission** of Skyline Juniors is to be one of the highest quality clubs in the nation that will **go the extra mile** to develop and showcase our athletes. We will constantly strive to enable both our players and our coaches to reach their full potential.

### **Skyline Organizational Values**

1. Strive to make decisions based on what is best for the athletes.
2. Train athletes to excel at higher levels of competition.
3. Integrate coaching strategies and techniques at each age level so players can take what they have learned and apply it throughout their volleyball careers.
4. Sustain a coaching philosophy throughout the club based on positive reinforcement, encouragement, and motivation.
5. Provide year-round training programs.
6. Number of teams will not exceed number of quality coaches available.
7. Advise and mentor our athletes in order to timely and effectively market them to college volleyball programs.

<b>Explanation</b>	<b>National Teams</b>	<b>Molten Teams</b>	<b>Future Elite / Select Teams</b>
<b>Practice Days</b>	12s-16s: 3 per week 11's: 2 per week	2 per week	2 per week
<b>Practice Times</b>	2 hours between 5-10pm	2 hours between 5-10pm	2 hours between 5-10pm
<b>Position Practices</b>	Yes: 12s & Older November - May	Optional Additional Fee	Optional Additional Fee
<b># of Coaches Per Team</b>	2	2	1 Head Coach + additional practice coach
<b># of Players</b>	9-11	9-11	9-11
<b>Qualifiers Attended</b>	4 *See Presentation	3	2
<b>Dues do NOT Include</b>	Airfare/Hotel Not Included  Note: Hotel expenses will not be covered in dues, will stay with parents.	Airfare/Hotel Not Included  Note: Molten Hotel expenses will not be covered in dues, will stay with parents.	Hotel Not Included  Note: Elite Hotel expenses will not be covered in dues, will stay with parents.
<b>Post-Season Included in Dues</b>	GJNC or AAU's	No Post-Season in Dues but required if qualifies	No Post-Season in Dues but required if qualifies
<b>Approximate Fees</b>	See Schedule Handout	See Schedules Handout	See Schedules Handout
<b>Initial Installment of Dues</b>	\$850 due at signing	\$850 due at signing	\$600 due at signing
<b>Uniforms</b>	(3) t-shirt, (3) game jerseys, (3) pair of spandex, (1) bag, warm-ups, (1) pair of socks	(2) t-shirt, (2) game jerseys, (2) pair of spandex, (1) bag, warm-ups, and (1) pair of socks	(2) t-shirt, (2) game jerseys, (2) pair of spandex, (1) bag, warm-ups, and (1) pair of socks
<b>1st Tournament</b>	December/January Early January	Early January	Early January
<b>Number of Tournaments</b>	See Schedule	See Schedule	See Schedule
<b>Tournament Length</b>	3- 3 day tournaments	1-3 day tournament	1-3 day tournament
<b>End of Season</b>	<b>10's-11's:</b> End after Lone Star Classic  <b>12's-18's:</b> See Handout	End after Lone Star unless qualified for GJNC, which is an extra cost and mandatory if qualified.	End of the first week in May <b>OR</b> July if team qualifies for Nationals.
<b>Travel Area</b>	USA	USA	Texas
<b>Tryouts Required</b>	YES	YES	YES
<b>Commitment Level</b>	Practices & Tournaments are <b>Mandatory</b>	Practices & Tournaments are <b>Mandatory</b>	Will work with school commitments and other sports
<b>Playing Time</b>	Not Guaranteed	Not Guaranteed	Guaranteed, but not equal
<b>Recruiting Workshop and Online Media Guides</b>	Open to all Skyline Athletes	Open to all Skyline Athletes	Open to all Skyline Athletes

# Introduction

Skyline Juniors Volleyball Association (SJVA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the development and training of junior athletes. We seek to compete on a national level, and to do so, we will go the extra mile to develop and showcase our athletes. We will constantly strive to enable both our players and our coaches to reach their full potential. We will select our coaches based on their coaching experience, temperament, dedication, and desire to train athletes to be the best they can be.

## Club History

### 2017-2018 Year in Review for AUSTIN SKYLINE

- Qualified 3 teams for USAV Girls' Junior National Championships
  - 14 Royal – Open
  - 15 Royal – American
  - 15 Black – American
- National Qualifiers Top Five Finishes
  - 12 Royal – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in National at Windy City National Qualifier, Chicago
  - 14 Royal – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Open at Windy City National Qualifier, Chicago
  - 14 Royal – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Open at Disney Showcase National Qualifier, Orlando
  - 14 Black – 5<sup>th</sup> Place in American at Windy City National Qualifier, Chicago
  - 16 Royal – 5<sup>th</sup> Place in Open at Disney Showcase National Qualifier, Orlando
- Qualified for the Tour of Texas
  - 12 Royal, 14 Royal, 16 Royal, 18 Royal
- Top 10 Finishes at Lone Star Regionals
  - 12 Royal, 15 Royal, 15 Black, 18 Royal

### 2016 Year in Review (All Locations Combined)

- Qualified 12 teams for USAV Championships
- 18 teams in Houston & Dallas
- Qualified 7 teams in the Highest Division at Nationals (Tied-Most in Texas... 5 yrs in row)
- If you include our Houston Teams....We Qualified teams in the Highest Division of Every Age Group of USA Championships the last 8 years (only club in the nation to do it).
- 20 1<sup>ST</sup> place finishes
- 34 times Skyline played in the finals
- Team with the most 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes
- 81 Top 5 finishes for National teams
- Teams with most Top 5 finishes
- Won 7 Qualifiers
- 16 Medals at Qualifiers
- 240 Skyline Athletes have committed to play in College (26 in the last year)
- Qualified 125 teams from Dallas for USA Championships in last 16 years
- Head coaches have been with Skyline average of 8.4 years
- Head and Assistant combine for average of 6.1 years
- Skyline is Top 2 in 4 of 8 age groups in North Texas Region, 10 teams in top 5

### 2015 Year in Review

- Skyline Juniors Qualified 18 teams for USA Volleyball Championships in 2015... more than any club in the Nation! 12 in Dallas, 6 in Houston

- Qualified 8 teams from Dallas in the Highest Division at Nationals – Most in Texas 4 years in a row
- Skyline 16 Black National Champions in 16 USA Division
- The only club in the NATION to qualify teams in the highest division of USA Championships in every age group in the past 7 years
- Ranked #2 in State of Texas by Lonestartvolleyball.com
- Three (3) Skyline Teams Medaled at Nationals in 2015
- Seven (7) Skyline teams Finished Top 15 in the Nation in 2015
- 222 Skyline athletes have committed on the play volleyball in college
- Five (5) current or former Skyline athletes represented USA on National Teams

#### ALSO IN 2015 SKYLINE...

- Skyline won 22 Tournaments in 2015
- Skyline Teams played in the Finals 42 times
- 76 Top 5 finishes at Tournaments
- 6 Different Skyline teams Won Qualifiers in 2015!
- Head Coaches for National Teams have been with Skyline an average of 9.2 years

## Club Coaching Philosophy

Skyline Juniors enters its 19th year stronger and more determined to lead the USA in volleyball. As we head into the 2018-2019 season, we are more determined and excited than ever to earn another National Championship. We believe our coaches are the ones to help train the athletes to get there. Each National (and future Molten) team will have a head coach and an assistant coach will have practice assistants. All Teams will share experienced roamer coaches.

Coaches are selected based on their playing experience, knowledge of the game, coaching capability, enthusiasm, and temperament, and have passed an extensive background screening required and done by USA Volleyball. One main quality that we look for in our coaches is a belief in coaching by encouragement rather than intimidation. We believe the success of our club is only as good as the development of our coaches. All of our coaches are IMPACT and Safe Sport certified, and many have CAP certifications. All coaches regularly participate in on-the-court training during clinics, camps, and other coaches' training events.

## Expectations of Coaches

Each coach's main objective is to provide our athletes with as much quality individual and team training as possible in a positive and encouraging learning environment. They are required to plan and organize their team's individual practice sessions, administer instruction at tournaments, and develop the composition and organization of the team. Our coaches strive to be excellent role models for the players and all others with whom they may come into contact. The staff of Skyline Juniors will provide all the administration for tournaments, travel, and finances within the club so our coaches can concentrate on coaching and their own professional growth.

## Club Amenities

Skyline Junior's volleyball is a major investment in your child's life. Perhaps the most satisfying is to see your child play for the college or university of their choice. No junior's club program is complete without informing both players and parents about the important topic of scholarships and college recruiting. Additional time and space is set aside for setters to get extra reps and instructions. We will

lead video review and classroom instruction for our setters to better their decision making and mental aspects of setting the game.

## **College Recruiting Experience**

Our coaching staff has extensive experience with college recruiting at every level of college athletics, from NCAA Division I, II, and III and NAIA to Junior College, and our coaches that have worked at the college level have been active recruiters themselves. As a result, we not only know effective ways to market Skyline athletes and the pitfalls players and parents should avoid, but we've also developed an extensive network of relationships with top college coaches in the country.

## **Recruiting Workshops**

Skyline offers Recruiting Workshops for both players and parents that cover the "do's" and "don'ts" of timely and effective communication with colleges and universities. Topics covered include different ways parents may videotape matches and how to construct recruiting video. We set aside time to video athletes' skills and design proper introductions for these tapes, and provide examples of various ways athletes can set up their profiles to make them appealing to college coaches. We recommend the recruiting workshop for all Skyline athletes regardless of the sport they may pursue in college. In addition to the workshops, our recruiting coordinator holds individual and group meetings throughout the season for further help and instruction.

## **Online Recruiting Database**

Skyline has one-of-a-kind recruiting database. The database is organized to collect important information about each athlete and may be used as each athlete's online Contact Management Software for college coaches. Included behind the athletes' personal login are recruiting timelines, college comparison spreadsheets, articles on "Visits to Colleges," templates for letters to college coaches, sample emails to colleges, and a comprehensive college search engine. Our program also allows our coaches and staff to download each athlete's information court-side from their PDA. These features and the database constitute an exceptionally powerful recruiting program that is unique to Skyline. No other club can boast comparable programs.

## **Online Videos & Media Pages**

On every athlete's profile page, we have room up to three videos you may link from your profile page. In addition, you can include PDF or other file formats to provide college coaches additional information like newspaper articles. Our emails that we send out to college coaches will include these links in the email so they can easily click on the video of their choice.

## **Online Profile Pages**

Each year, Skyline develops on-line media guides for the 16's, 17's, and 18's age groups containing information about each player such as awards, accomplishments, playing experience, vertical jump, a personal section, and the athlete's plans for her athletic career. The profile page from the Media guide will be posted on our website enabling each player to send it to the college coaches of their choice via email or by letter.

## **Position Practices**

We hold dedicated position practices for all Skyline athletes. Skyline staff and coaches will run this training along with their team coaches.

## **Year-Round Training**

When the club season is over, Skyline is in the gym 4-5 days a week offering the top training. So much improvement takes place in the five months between club seasons. It is vital to the athlete's development to be in an organization that offers year-round training.

## **Team Bonding and Training**

In order to facilitate team cohesion and purpose, Skyline coaches organize specialized team bonding activities. The training will be for National teams only.

## **Sports Performance Mental Training**

Sports psychology is the process of learning how to compete in a way that enables an athlete to get the best performance out of what they have that day. Anyone can perform when the stars are aligned and everything seems to be going your way. However most competitive experiences don't go that smoothly. Thus, the mental game (i.e. Sports Psychology) is about learning to handle adversity by controlling your attitude, where you focus your attention, and the actions that you choose to take. Sports psychology will teach you how to invest your entire self into your performance in a way that sets aside any concern for the potential consequences, thus enhancing your odds for success.

## **Strength and Conditioning**

Austin Skyline has partnered with Donnie Maib. Donnie Maib is a renowned coach and keynote speaker. He boasts over 20 years of athletic training experience, and is currently the Head Coach for Olympic Sports and the Assistant Athletics Director for Athletic Performance at the University of Texas at Austin. Coach Donnie employs his history in coaching elite-level athletes into creative and motivational speeches. In the last five years, Donnie has been a keynote speaker at over ten summits and conferences. Simply put, Coach Donnie is the best because he's been in every athlete, coach and parents' shoes. [www.donniemaib.com](http://www.donniemaib.com)



## Tryout Information

Each athlete must be accompanied by a parent/guardian to complete the necessary paperwork and medical release forms. All tryout paper work and forms will be sent via email to those who sign up online prior to the day of tryouts. The fee for pre-registered tryouts is \$75.00. There is a one-time \$100.00 non-refundable tryout fee due at check-in on the day of the tryout if you do not pre-register online.

Please send tryout conflicts to [jenny@skylinejuniors.com](mailto:jenny@skylinejuniors.com) with the requested information. (Name, birthdate, age trying out for, date of conflict, is Skyline your first choice? You must also register online prior to the tryout to be considered for a team during the first tryout).

## 2018-2019 Volleyball Tryouts

<b>TRYOUT DATES AND TIMES FOR TEAMS</b>			
<b>11's, 12's</b>	<b>13's &amp; 14's</b>	<b>15's</b>	<b>16's &amp; 17's</b>
Sunday, August 5, 2018	Saturday, August 4, 2018	Thursday, July 26, 2018	16's: Friday, July 13, 2018  17's: Wednesday & Thursday: July 18-19, 2018
4:00pm-6:00pm	7:30pm-9:30pm	6:00pm-10:00pm	16's: 5:00pm-9:00pm  17's: 7:30-9:30pm
Site: Round Rock Sports Center 2400 Chisholm Trail Rd Round Rock, TX 78681	Site: Round Rock Sports Center 2400 Chisholm Trail Rd Round Rock, TX 78681	Site: Round Rock Sports Center 2400 Chisholm Trail Rd Round Rock, TX 78681	16's: Site: SMAC 3000 Barton Creek Blvd., Austin, TX 78735  17's: Round Rock Sports Center 2400 Chisholm Trail Rd Round Rock, TX 78681

### USA VOLLEYBALL AGE DEFINITIONS 2018-2019 Season

18 and Under Division: Players who were born on or after September 1, 2000  
 17 and Under Division: Players who were born on or after September 1, 2001  
 16 and Under Division: Players who were born on or after September 1, 2002  
 15 and Under Division: Players who were born on or after September 1, 2003  
 14 and Under Division: Players who were born on or after September 1, 2004  
 13 and Under Division: Players who were born on or after September 1, 2005  
 12 and Under Division: Players who were born on or after September 1, 2006  
 11 and Under Division: Players who were born on or after September 1, 2007

\* Please come 30 minutes early for registration and paper work.

All tryout paperwork and procedures are posted on our website for your convenience to start the paperwork early.  
Each athlete needs to be accompanied by a parent/guardian to fill out the necessary paper work.

## Tryout Procedures

The level of teams and the number of teams in each age group will be determined at tryouts. At the end of each tryout, we will invite a number of athletes to join a specific team. An athlete's spot on a team is confirmed once she or he has signed the acceptance agreement and paid the team's non-refundable installment (please see payment plan for amount due). This installment acts as the athlete's commitment to join and is the first payment to Skyline Juniors. Additional payments will be due according to the enclosed schedule.

If at all possible, we recommend athletes attempt to attend all tryouts in their age group. While we understand the need to try out for other clubs to find the one that best suits each person, attending all the tryouts will give us the best opportunity to see each athlete. During our tryout process, the athletes will undergo several evaluations where each athlete is individually rated on his or her skill level in all areas, then evaluated by position. The players are then placed into teams so their overall court skills, attitude, and interaction with others players can be evaluated. Creating game-like situations is a priority throughout the tryouts.

At the conclusion of tryouts, athletes are placed into two categories; those to whom offers will be made and those to whom we cannot presently offer a position. Also, we understand parents' needs and desires are to know how their daughter compares to the other athletes to plan accordingly. Therefore, throughout the tryout process **if any player is pressured to make a commitment to another club prior to our tryout**, please don't hesitate to contact us to get an evaluation.

As the tryout process proceeds for each age group, we are making decisions and putting together our teams. Within two days after the tryout for each age group, we post how many spots are available for each team. The page is found by clicking on the "Teams/Rosters" link at the top of our website.

The tryout process can be one of the most difficult things an athlete and parents will do all year long. It is also difficult on the coaches as well. There are many decisions and factors involved when choosing a team. We have tried to make this as comfortable as possible for all parties involved.

## Practice Information

### 2018-2019 Practice Times and Locations

Below is a **tentative** plan for when teams will practice. Position practices will be held once per week for majority of the season. This day is tentatively set for Sunday's likely in Round Rock. Team practices will be held twice per week at the Round Rock Sports Center (goal is two weekday practices).

### National

If a team participates in a tournament on a weekend, then there will be no practice on Sunday. Attendance at practice is mandatory. It is impossible to develop quality teams with inconsistent practice attendance. If an unusual circumstance exists, it is the athlete's responsibility to inform his or her head coach immediately of the situation. If an athlete has an unexcused absence then she will be required to sit out the first game of the following tournament. Because athletes must learn to organize their time and plan ahead accordingly, homework is not an excuse to miss practice. Further guidelines for absences are given at the beginning of the season by the coach.

## Tournament Information

Skyline Juniors tournament participation is **mandatory**. Tournaments give athletes the chance to compete at higher levels, develop their court skills, and strengthen their knowledge of the game. They also give the athlete a chance to be seen by college scouts. Finally, the success of our team training depends upon all members of the team being present.

Tournament agendas, lodging arrangements and other important travel information will be provided to each player as soon as the club directors have received the information from the tournament directors. We prefer to do most of our communication through e-mail and our website. We will post hotel and tournament information for each team on the website as soon as it is available. All tournament schedules will be finalized in early December.

### Skyline Juniors Playing Time

The team's head coach is responsible for the composition of the team and determining playing time. Each athlete will receive equal training time and repetitions in practice sessions, but we **cannot** and **will not** guarantee playing time to anyone. It is in the best interest of the team that we compete for championships and this involves some players not playing in some matches. The head coaches will make their decisions based on a player's attendance at practices, the importance of an event, the player's attitude, work ethic, and proficiency at required skills, and most importantly the team's needs. As parents, please understand that our coaches do their best to get everyone playing time, but their primary focus at tournaments is the **teams'** success. If a parent wishes to discuss playing time with a coach we require this **NOT BE DONE AT THE TOURNAMENT**. It is very disruptive to the team if a parent confronts a coach in this setting. Consequently, if a coach is confronted by a parent during a tournament, that parent's child must sit out the following match. In short, please save these discussions until after the tournament.

The following procedures are in place to resolve playing time issues or concerns:

- (1) At any time after practices or matches a **player** may meet with the coach for a discussion.
- (2) If questions or concerns remain, then the parents and player may contact the coach to arrange a discussion at least a day after the conclusion of a tournament.

(3) If the issue is still not resolved, the club director, coach, player, and parents may meet.

- **Policy:** If a parent approaches the coach at a tournament about “playing time”, their daughter will be required to sit the next set.

## **Tournament Transportation**

The club does not provide transportation to non-air travel tournaments. It is the parents’ (not the coaches) responsibility to find transportation for their athletes to and from these road travel events. For National teams 12 and older air travel tournaments, the club provides transportation to and from the hotel, and to the sanctioned events provided the athlete travels on the group’s flight. The athletes are prohibited from riding with anyone other than a coach, club director, or appointed chaperone. (They are permitted to ride with their parent/guardian, or someone their parent designates in writing.) If parents choose to arrange their own travel arrangements for an athlete, then the parents are responsible for getting their daughter to the hotel.

## **Hotel Accommodations**

We distribute hotel information for parents in advance on the web page and by email so parents may make reservations at the same hotel where the coaches are staying. Each **National** team has a certain number of rooms reserved for the teams. We will be doing the loyalty program this year for qualifier hotels and Tour of Texas hotels. It will be a requirement that all parents must stay in the team hotel as we have to book a minimum of 12 rooms per team. If we did not do this program, all of our hotels will be 15-20 miles away from the venues. The loyalty program allows us to lock in our rooms in early September or October and most of the time, the hotels are within walking distance of the venue.

## **Club Policies**

### **Drug and Alcohol Policy**

In order for the North Texas Region to support any disciplinary actions by the club toward a player, one of these two below procedures must take place in case a player is in the possession of or involved with any type of illegal drugs or alcohol.

- **Option One:** Go immediately to a clinic and have a drug test administered.
- **Option Two:** The police will be called to do a report.

If the player(s) is found to be at fault, further action will take place depending on the severity of the issue. The player may be sent home from the event, dismissed for a period of time, or released from the team permanently (at the expense of his or her parent/guardian).

### **Prom Policy**

We understand the importance of an event such as Prom; therefore, in the case of Prom falling on the weekend of a National Qualifying tournament and Regionals (only), we have implemented the following guidelines to allow SENIORS to attend their SENIOR Prom.

- Each SENIOR will be allowed to attend their prom without punishment.
- They will need to be present the day prior and the day after the (main evening) Prom event.
- They will need to be present the day of the event until 12 noon (if the tournament is out of town) and 2:00pm (if the tournament is within the Austin area).

It is not fair to a team that has devoted so many hours in practices only to be disqualified from a tournament or to not be given a chance to qualify for Nationals because a few players are gone. It is also not fair to those who are seeking college scholarship and must be seen by colleges.

## **Membership Fees and Payment Plans**

**\*All payments must be postmarked by the last day of each month.**

Parents are expected to keep up with their dues and payment schedules. In order to facilitate payment, we provide account status online for each player, pre-addressed envelopes including the amount of payment and the date the payment is due. Alternatively, membership fees may be paid online with a credit card.

If a payment is late, there will be a \$50.00 late fee, and the athlete will not be able to participate in any sanctioned events until a payment is made. A \$50.00 transaction fee will be assessed for each returned check, and if the problem occurs two times, parents must pay by cash or a cashier's check.

If an account is not paid in full, the parent/guardian responsible for the player will also be responsible for any additional costs or expenses incurred by the club while pursuing collections.

If there is some reason the payment cannot be made by the date specified, please contact Jenny Luke (for National teams. Please know, once you commit to a team we incur several expenses whether you continue your season with the club or not. It is your responsibility to make sure these payments are made unless there is a season ending injury in which you will need to set up a financial meeting with Becky Krost.

In an effort to minimize payment problems we attempt to precisely determine fees and dues prior to the season. To this end, most travel expenses, (hotel, airline deposits, rental vans, and nationals for some teams) for the players are included in their dues amounts. Please notice, however, that we have **NOT** included the balance of the airfare for the players into their dues (we have included coaches air travel). Travel arrangements will be provided for all athletes on team flights (for an additional charge), however, if for financial reasons, other arrangements need to be made, there will be an option to decline the flight.

Additional fees may occur due to unforeseen circumstances such as airline cancellations, inclement weather situations, or if a team misses a flight due for any reason (i.e. such as playing in a match for JO qualifying, or playing in the finals). **If any team qualifies for post season that does not already include post season in the dues, all families will be responsible for the post-season fees as the club team is required to attend (est \$800-\$1,000). All athletes/parents are responsible for all fees whether you continue with a team into post-season or not.**

**\*All monies that are paid are non-refundable**

# Austin Skyline Juniors Director

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**Jenny R. Luke**

Director of Austin Skyline Juniors

**Education:**

Texas A&M University – Commerce, Texas  
B.B.A. Marketing, August 2001

*Skyline Juniors Volleyball, Austin, Texas 2016-Present*

Director of the Austin Branch - Our mission is to be one of the highest quality clubs in the nation that will go the extra mile to develop and showcase our young athletes. We constantly strive to enable both our players and our coaches to reach their full potential.

**Coaching Experience**

*Skyline Juniors, Dallas, Texas (2001-2005)*

College Recruiting Coordinator, Responsible for leading and organizing the college recruiting process and act as liaison between the NCAA coaches and Prospective Student Athletes.

- Dallas Skyline Juniors 18-1, 17-1, 17-2
- 1st Place North Texas Regionals
- Qualified USAV Nationals
- Ranked 5th in Texas with Dallas Skyline 18-1

*Athletes in Motion, Austin, Texas (2004-2007)*

College Recruiting Coordinator, Responsible for leading and organizing the college recruiting process and act as liaison between the NCAA coaches and Prospective Student Athletes

- 2005 9th Place Lone Star Regionals 15-1 AIM
- 2005 2nd Place Spokane, WA Qualifier 15-1

*Austin Performance Volleyball, Austin, Texas (2007-2016)*

College Recruiting Coordinator, Responsible for leading and organizing the college recruiting process and act as liaison between the NCAA coaches and Prospective Student Athletes.

- 2013 Lone Star Classic 1st Place USA Division
- 2013 USAV Nationals 5th Place USA Division
- 2012 Top 8 in Lone Star Region 17-1 AP
- 2012 9th out of 177 AAU Nationals 17-1 AP
- 2012 Qualified Tour of Texas 17-1 AP
- 2012 USAV Nationals USA Division AP

**USA High Performance Program**

- USA HP Select A2 Team, July 2016
- USA HP Select A3
- USA HP College Recruiting Journalist

**Jonathan T. Rye**

Executive Director / Co – Founder of Skyline Juniors / 17 Royal Head Coach

**Education:**

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas  
M.S. Construction Management, May 1999  
Bachelors of Environmental Design, December 1997.

**North Texas Region Board Member:** (2002-2006, 2009-Present)

**North Texas Region Junior Board Member:** (2006-Present)

Member of the USAV-North Texas Region Board of Directors. Works directly with the Region Officers to set policy and govern the Region for the Junior, Adult, and Beach programs as well as for Officials.

**High Performance Committee Chair:** (2004-2005)

Chaired the North Texas Region High Performance Program committee. Responsibilities included organizing the High Performance Camp, scheduled practices, established and regulated policies and expectations, team travel arrangements, tournament organization, and budget preparation.

**Competition Committee Chair:** (2004-2005)

Chaired the Region Tournament Committee. Responsibilities included standardizing region tournaments, Served as Tournament Director for Region Ranking Tournament, and facilitated the rankings process for the North Texas Region.

**Skyline Juniors Volleyball, Dallas, Texas (1999 - Present)**

Co-Founder and Director of the Non-Profit volleyball organization in North Texas. Our mission is to be one of the highest quality clubs in the nation that will go the extra mile to develop and showcase our young athletes. We constantly strive to enable both our players and our coaches to reach their full potential.

Manhattan Construction Company, Dallas, TX (1998 - 2002)

**Project Engineer:** Provided engineering and communication support for commercial building projects.

Texas A&M University, Department of Recreational Sports, College Station, TX (1995-1999)

**Senior Sport Club Administrator:** Oversaw and regulated the administration for 30 competitive sport clubs. Involved in tournament and event organization, managed facility reservation, performed sales tax accounting, managed inventory management, created program designs and distribution, and provided database management.

Texas A&M University, Department of Sport Clubs, College Station, TX (1996-1999)

**Head Coach:** Texas A&M Men's Volleyball Team

Lead team to conference championship in 1997 and finished 9<sup>th</sup> in national seeding in 1998. Organized and directed practices, established and regulated policies and expectations, and established effective strategies.

**Organizations:**

Southern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association (1998-1999)

**Commissioner:** Governed the administration of twenty collegiate programs from Texas to Kansas. Involved budget preparation, organized sponsorships, implemented eligibility requirements, coordinated monthly meetings, established ranking system, chaired disciplinary committee, coordinated policies and procedures, and scheduled conference tournaments.

Texas A&M Men's Volleyball Team (1995-1997)

**President:** Managed day-to-day operations of the team including facility reservations, budget preparation, practice and match scheduling, team travel arrangements, fundraising, team accounting, equipment procurement, and tournament/match organization.

Texas A&M Department of Recreational Sports

Involved in various committees ranging in objectives and responsibilities: Recreational Sports National Job Search Committee, Executive Sport Club Committee, and Department Employee Policy Committee.

# Jodie A. Rye

Executive Director / Co - Founder of Skyline Juniors / Director of Administration

## Education:

### Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas

B.S. Kinesiology, August, 1996  
Minor in Health, August 1996

## Work Experience:

Skyline Juniors Volleyball Association, Dallas, Texas (1999 - Present)

### Organizer, Administrator, and Head Coach

- Taken eight teams to Nationals.
- Director of everyday activities, summer camps, coaches

Texas A&M University, Athletic Department, College Station, Texas (1997 - 1999)

### **On the Floor Daily Observationist**, Texas A&M Women's Volleyball

- Met regularly with coaches to discuss different strategies, philosophies, and circumstances
- Observed and took notes over daily practices
- Assisted staff during matches with statistics and scouting (1997)
- Observed and discussed training programs with the strength and conditioning coach

### **Camp Counselor and Administrator**

- Texas A&M University: Head Coach
- Stephen F. Austin State University: Head Coach
- Collin County Community College: Head Coach and Camp Organizer

Texas A&M University, Department of Sport Clubs, College Station, Texas (1997 - 1999)

### **Head Coach:** Texas A&M Women's Club Volleyball

- Led team to NIRSA Nationals for a third place finish (1997,1998)
- Led a series of tryouts to determine and evaluate skills, talents, and athleticism
- Responsible for recruiting
- Assisted in fundraising
- Preparation of annual budget
- Organized travel arrangements
- Established effective coaching strategies
- Responsible for organizing practices
- Implemented policies and expectations
- Scheduled matches and tournaments

### **Associate Head Coach:** Texas A&M Men's Volleyball

- Assisted in leading the team to a Conference Championship (1997)
- Placed ninth at NIRSA Nationals (1997)
- Assisted in the development and organization for daily practices and tournament organization
- Administrated tryouts

Blinn College, Brenham/Bryan, Texas (1996 - 1998)

### **Assistant Coach:** Blinn College Women's Volleyball (Inaugural Season 1996-1997)

- Managed the complete work for daily operations of the team
- Responsible for all recruiting processes
- Developed the primary off-season program
- Organized travel arrangements

### **Head Coach:** Blinn College Men's Volleyball (1996-1997)

- Developed the inaugural program
- Administrated and conducted tryouts
- Constructed a budget

Houston Juniors Volleyball Club, Houston, Texas (1996-1997)

### **Head Coach:** 17 National Team

- Structured and conducted weekly practices, implemented disciplinary policies
- Contacted college coaches for recruiting purposes

## Playing Experience:

**Stephen F. Austin State University** (1995-1996)

Letter winner

Southland Conference Champions

**Collin County Community College** (1993)

**Dallas Baptist University** (1992)

Honorable Mention All - Conference

**Garland High School** (1988-1992)

Team captain



## **Skyline Juniors Board Members**

### **Doug Hinton: Board Member**

"I believe a team can only be as successful as the individual and team expectations that are developed by the players. As I coach, I strive to raise the bar of player expectations by providing a high intensity training environment stressing individual player development with an emphasis on team unity and mental preparation. I focus on ball control and defense which prepares my teams to be competitive against any opponent."

Doug graduated from Texas A&M University with a B.S. in Kinesiology with a specialization in Sports Management. He continued his education at the Texas A&M Graduate School of Business where he received his Masters in Business. He exercised his degree in Sports Management helping to administer and organize the Sport Club program at Texas A&M which included event/tournament organization, budgets, travel, and mentoring for 30 diverse competitive clubs. Doug also brings his administrative and organizational skills from his 5 year tenure as the Club President/Mentor of the Texas A&M Men's club volleyball team. In addition, Doug served for two years as the Conference Chairman for the Southern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association, building the recognition and organization of men's collegiate club volleyball in the state of Texas. While at A&M, Doug competed for the Aggie Men's volleyball team serving as a player, coach, and captain leading the team to 3 successive conference championships. He coached the Texas A&M Women's Club volleyball team for two years enjoying successful seasons. After a year off, Doug returned to coach the A&M Men's volleyball team once again to recapture the SIVA conference championship in two successive years. His continued coaching success followed him to Ohio State where he took over a struggling men's club program and led them to a 5th place finish at Nationals marking the school's highest finish. He coached the Buckeyes to 3 very successful seasons culminating with the Conference Championship of the highly competitive Big Ten Conference which had alluded him and the Buckeyes in the previous two years. He then returned to Texas, where he decided to continue coaching the Aggies. In 2001 he led Texas A&M to their highest and most prestigious 3rd place finish at Nationals. Doug brings a wealth of volleyball experience from his years of experience as a player, coach, administrator, referee, and mentor. Doug currently resides in Houston with his wife and two children.

### **Jake Dax: Board Member**

"I believe it is essential to help each athlete develop to their full potential in every aspect of the sport. Whether it is physically, mentally or emotionally, each area plays a large part in an athletes ability to succeed. As each individual takes their game to the next level, along follows the overall team development. The team will grow stronger and more unified through encouragement, hard work, and self-discipline. A team's performance is based on its potential minus the interference/distractions."

Jake graduated from Texas A&M University-Commerce in 1999 with a degree in Economics. He has been a personal financial advisor for American Express Financial Advisors in Richardson since graduation. He came to Texas from Wisconsin to play volleyball at the intercollegiate level for Ambassador University in 1995 and 1996. There he played as an outside hitter and defensive specialist. He started playing volleyball at age 11 in the outdoor arena, and began to get more involved indoor through the club circuit, and several other organizations in Wisconsin. He also helped in training the Texas A&M Commerce women's volleyball team in 1998, and became the Assistant Coach for the 1999 season. Jake looks to help cultivate and prepare young athletes for the challenges and changes involved with making the transition to the college level. Jake will be taking on a role of advising and making decisions as a Board Member with Skyline.

### **Jon Rye: Board Member / Executive Director**

"Much of what I believe in has been embedded in the Mission and Core Values of the Skyline Organization. I constantly seek to encourage and instruct my athletes as often as possible. I see myself not only as a coach but as a 'trainer'; a trainer of fundamentals, disciplines and responsibilities. It is my goal to teach my athletes to play hard no matter who their opponent is while always reinforcing the importance of keeping the game fun and enjoyable." My favorite quote is from Colleen Hacker..."The object in any team sport is to transform the group from a mere collection of talented individuals into a highly cohesive unit so that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts."

Jon has qualified 12 teams for Junior Olympic Nationals in the last 12 years. Last year, Jon lead the 15 RSB Royal team to three top 5 finishes at qualifiers and an 11th place finish in the Nation. In 2011, Jon lead the 18 RoShamBo team to the Open division of USA Championships in Atlanta., In 2010, Jon lead the 15 RoShamBo team to double-qualify for Open Nationals where they finished 17<sup>th</sup> in the Nation. In 2009 Jon lead his 18 RoShamBo team to a 2nd place finish at the Colorado Crossroads Qualifier earning an Open Division berth into USAV Junior Olympic Nationals where they finished 10<sup>th</sup> in the nation. This will be Jon's 14th year with Skyline.