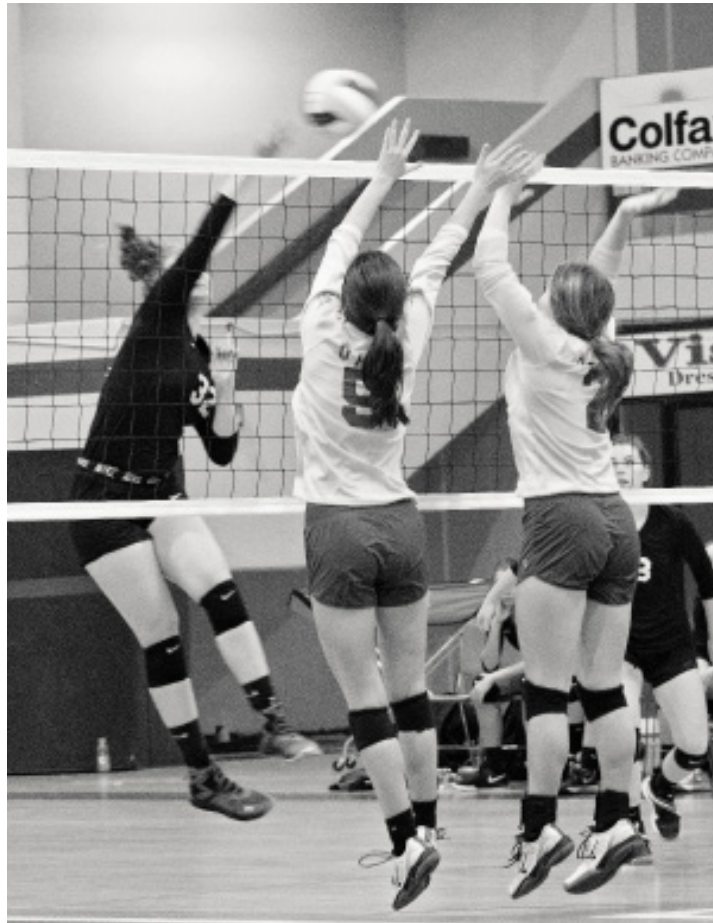


2022-202 ACEL Volleyball Plan & Schedule



The General Season Information

The 2022 Volleyball Schedule

Volleyball has a 10-week regular season with an additional week for both playoffs and the state championship. For 2022-23 there are 14 varsity girls' teams, 12 junior varsity girls' teams and 4 varsity boys' teams.

The 2022 Divisions

Divisions

Varsity Girls' teams are divided into either Division 1 or Division 2 depending on last season's final PowerPoint rankings. JV Girls' teams are placed in the same division as their varsity team. There are no division distinctions for Boys' Volleyball.

Division Descriptions

Division 1—ACEL competitive high school division

Division 1 is the ACEL's top competitive high school division most like what is offered in other athletic leagues. Division 1 varsity teams should be composed of primarily high school athletes most of which have experience in the sport. Division 1 JV teams must have either an associated varsity team OR if they are a JV only team should be on the upper end of JV age restriction and have experience in the sport.

Division 2—ACEL developing division

Division 2 is ideal for teams that are new to volleyball or for teams with a young average age of players. Division 2 Varsity teams are particularly suited to the needs of teams that do not have enough older athletes for a varsity team but with a couple of athletes too old for JV competition. Division 2 JV teams must have either an associated varsity team OR if they are a JV only team should not have many players on the upper end of the JV age restriction.

2022-23 Girls' Volleyball Divisions

Varsity Girls' Volleyball Division 1

(Bold teams also have JV)

Alexandria Homeschool Athletics
CHA Northeast

Old Bethel Christian Academy
Shreveport Homeschool Sports

Southwest Louisiana Homeschool Athletics
Acadiana Christian School (by appeal)
Open Door Christian Academy
First Baptist Christian School

Varsity Girls' Volleyball Division 2

(Bold teams also have JV)

Mt. Olive Christian School
Christ Bridge Academy

Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School
The Brighton School

Christian Homeschool Sports Assoc. of Acadiana
John Paul the Great Academy

2022-23 Girls' Volleyball Districts

North District

Alexandria Homeschool Athletics
CHA Northeast
Mt. Olive Christian School
Old Bethel Christian Academy
Shreveport Homeschool Sports

Southwest District

Southwest Louisiana Homeschool Athletics
Acadiana Christian School
Christ Bridge Academy
Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School

Southeast District

The Brighton School
Open Door Christian Academy
First Baptist Christian School
Christian Homeschool Sports Assoc. of Acadiana
John Paul the Great Academy

Districts

Districts are as geographic as possible for girls' volleyball. JV teams are NOT taken into district consideration. Boys' volleyball is a single district of 4 teams.

Schedule Priorities

Teams are scheduled to play all in-district teams regardless of division twice and all out-of-district opponents in the same division once. Out-of-district games are only scheduled with same division opponents.

For Varsity Boys', each team is scheduled to play every other boys' team twice. When the girls' varsity schedule allows, games will be scheduled concurrently. Any remaining required games for the boys will be scheduled independent of the girls' schedule and on dates that their associated girls' teams are not scheduled to play.

Playoffs: October 15th- 25th

Between D1 & D2 girls' varsity and JV plus the boys' division, 8 rounds of playoff games must be completed before the state championship tournament. Teams may negotiate playoff dates between Saturday, October 15th and Tuesday, October 25th as is reasonable per playoff round. In the event teams cannot reach an agreement, the following dates will be the binding dates for each playoff game.

Varsity Girls'

Top 6 teams by PowerPoints with top 2 receiving byes to the semi-finals for both D1 & D2.

D1 Semi-finals @ State (1 round of playoffs required)

D1 first round playoff games will take place on Tuesday, October 18th unless otherwise negotiated.

D2 Semi-finals hosted by highest seed (2 rounds of playoffs required)

D2 first round playoff games will take place on Tuesday, October 18th unless otherwise negotiated.

D2 second round playoff games will take place on Friday, October 21st unless otherwise negotiated.

Both D1&D2 Championship games at State (consolation game for D1 removed.)

JV Girls

D1

Top 6 teams by PowerPoints with top 2 receiving byes to the semi-finals.

Championship game played at the state tournament. (2 rounds during playoff week required)

D1 first round JV playoff games will take place on Monday, October 17th unless otherwise negotiated.

D1 second round JV playoff games will take place on Thursday, October 20th unless otherwise negotiated.

D2

The 4 D2 JV teams will be seeded by PowerPoints. Highest seed hosts. Championship played at the home gym of highest seed on a date other than the state tournament. (2 rounds of play required to complete bracket)

Varsity Boys'

The 4 varsity boys' teams will be seeded by PowerPoints. Highest seed hosts first round of playoffs.

Championship game played at the state tournament.

First round playoff games will take place on Tuesday, October 25th unless otherwise negotiated.

State Championship

The 2022-23 ACEL Volleyball State Championship is scheduled for Friday & Saturday, October 28 & 29 in Pineville. The ACEL 8-Man Football State Championship will also take place on October 29 in Pineville immediately following the conclusion of volleyball state.

All-State Teams

All-State Voting Meeting will be October 15 via Zoom.

Girls' Varsity All-State

All-State recognition will be by division. In D1, both a 1st and 2nd team all-state will be recognized. League MVP will be selected from the D1 1st team all-state.

In D2, a single 1st team all-state will be recognized.

There will be no all-district teams.

Girls' Volleyball Coach of the Year

A coach of the year will be recognized for both D1 and D2.

Boys' All-State

A single 1st team all-state and league MVP will be recognized for boys' volleyball.

There will be no all-district teams for boys' volleyball.

Reminders

Volleyball Commissioner

The ACEL is seeking a volleyball commissioner to begin work this coming season. The primary job of the commissioner will be that of a liaison between volleyball coaches and the executive director. The volleyball commissioner will also advise the executive director and the executive board regarding ACEL volleyball policy and procedure.

To apply, explain in an email to the executive director (admin@theacel.com) how you would be an asset to the ACEL as the volleyball commissioner. Applications will be reviewed by the executive board.

Administrator Required at Each Game

An administrator or a designated representative for each team must be in attendance at all ACEL events. The administrator may NOT be the team's coach nor may they sit on the bench. The purpose of the administrator is to handle issues that may arise with the fans, players, or coaches of their organization. The administrator must locate and introduce themselves to the administrator of the opposing team prior to the beginning of the game. Administrators for each team will work together to handle any issue that arises beyond the scope of the officials' authority.

Update Your Coach Information

Please check the members' section of the ACEL website (theacel.com) to confirm that the contact information for your coach and the location of your facility are correct. (The members' section of the website is password protected. Your administrator and athletic director have the password.) To update your information, use the "Information Update Form" available from the forms and downloads section of the website.

MaxPreps

The use of MaxPreps to report player stats for all-state consideration in the ACEL is mandatory. No all-state nomination will be accepted without an accompanying MaxPreps stat report.

Please do not underestimate the time that it can take MaxPreps to approve new organizations or to fix problems within existing accounts. ***If you are new to MaxPreps or are having issues with your MaxPreps account, NOW is the time to get those fixed.***

In order for MaxPreps to work for us as it is intended, player stats must be uploaded for each ACEL game in which an all-state nominated player participates. Stats should be uploaded routinely throughout the season. Waiting until the end of the season makes it difficult for our other teams to link to your schedule and for stat reporting to be transparent.

Volleyball Coaches' Meeting

There will be a meeting for all ACEL coaches immediately following the membership meeting on August 6 in Pineville. Sport specific discussions will follow the general coaches' meeting. Attendance at the coaches' meeting is not required but is highly encouraged.

All-State Voting

All organizations participating in volleyball are required to attend All-State Voting even if no player is nominated for all-state from the organization. There is a \$500 fine for failure to attend. The Volleyball All-State Voting meeting will be via Zoom, Saturday, October 15th.

AED

The ACEL strongly recommends that all organizations have an AED at all ACEL events.

Volleyball Rules, Procedures & Policies

The ACEL follows the rules and regulations set by the National Federation of State High Schools (NFHS) for all sanctioned ACEL sports. ACEL supplemental policies and exceptions to NFHS rules are listed below.

ACEL Specific Rules and Policies for Volleyball 2022-23

Schedule Changes

The ACEL allows organizations to easily change their schedules as necessary. All that is required is for both the home and away teams to submit a schedule change form through the website.

Score Reporting

Scores must be reported by both the home and away teams by noon the following day. Failure to report the score will result in a fine. (See ACEL Rule 6.1)

When reporting volleyball scores, the score from the team that ultimately won the game is **reported as the first score** for all sets even if that team did not win that particular set.

Physicals and Coaches' Concussion Course

Per ACEL Rule 14.1.7, all athletes participating in league competition (boys/girls) are required to take and pass a physical examination. These physicals are good for one calendar year. Physicals must be kept on-hand by athletic directors and coaches at all ACEL events and must be presented immediately upon request.

All ACEL coaches are required to take a concussion course and be able to provide evidence/certificate of completion upon request.

The Game

ACEL 18.1.2

Varsity volleyball matches between member schools/associations shall be decided by winning 3 out of 5 possible games. Jr. Varsity matches shall be decided by winning 2 out of 3 possible games.

The Court

Organizations participating in basketball or volleyball, must submit a diagram of all courts on which they regularly play home games along with their commitment forms this season. The ACEL Court Diagram Form is available for download under the Forms & Downloads tab of the website. Teams that do not submit a complete Court Diagram Form by the commitment deadline will not be added to the schedule. There is no need to submit an additional court diagram if you are using the same facility for which you submitted a diagram last year.

Player Equipment and Uniform

Shorts must have at least a 4” inseam so that undergarments are completely covered.

Officials

Two 2 patched officials assigned by your area assignment secretary are required at every ACEL sanctioned match.

Score Keeper/Clock/Line Judges/Libero tracker

- The official clock and scorebook must be manned by an adult 18 years or older (it may not be a student of the host school)
- Line Judges MUST be an adult
- Teams with liberos must also supply a libero tracker

Stat Keepers

Please adequately train your volleyball stat keepers. Volleyball stats are challenging to both understand and to record in real time.

- o Refer to “statistical Definitions” located on the ACEL Volleyball page
- o Consider using video to help record more accurate stats
- o Have a “caller” for stat keeper

ACEL Standing Rules Changes/Amendments for 2022-23

The final draft of the 2022-23 ACEL Standing Rules will be available for download following the membership meeting on August 6.

Communicate with your Executive Director

Most problems and misunderstandings can be avoided simply through communication. Coaches, if you have a league concern please discuss it with your athletic director ASAP. In many instances athletic directors will already have related information from the ACEL. Athletic directors, please do not hesitate to contact me with any league issue you may have. The more you all communicate with me, the better I understand what is actually happening within our league, making me better able to act in the best interest of all our organizations. I cannot address what I do not know.

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ACEL Executive Director
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(Leave a message, and I will get back to you.)

2022 ACEL Girls' Volleyball Schedule

North District

Alexandria Homeschool Athletics Storm—Alexandria
CHA Northeast Flame—Monroe
Mt. Olive Christian School Eagles—Athens
Old Bethel Christian Academy Crusaders—Clarks
Shreveport Homeschool Sports Force—Shreveport

Southwest District

Acadiana Christian School Lions—New Iberia
Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School Eagles—Lake Charles
Christ Bridge Academy Archangels—Jennings
Southwest Louisiana Homeschool Athletics Knights—Lake Charles

Southeast District

The Brighton School Bengals—Baton Rouge
Christian Homeschool Sports Assoc. of Acadiana Archangels—Lafayette
First Baptist Christian School Eagles—Lafayette
John Paul the Great Academy Guardians—Lafayette
Open Door Christian Academy Conquerors—Denham Springs

****Official JV teams listed in bold, as well as official JV contests below****

August 9, Tuesday

Bye

August 12, Friday

CHA @ MOCS
OBICA @ Alexandria
ACS @ SWLA
CBA @ BNEDS
FBCS @ ODCA
CHSAA @ Brighton

August 16, Tuesday

**FBCS @ Brighton
JPG @ CHSAA**

August 19, Friday

**MOCS @ Alexandria
Shreveport @ OBCA
CBA @ SWLA
BNEDS @ ACS**

August 23, Tuesday

**Alexandria @ CHA
Shreveport @ MOCS
SWLA @ BNEDS
CBA @ ACS
Brighton @ ODCA
FBCS @ JPG**

August 26, Friday

**Alexandria @ FBCS
OBCA @ ACS
SWLA @ Shreveport
Brighton @ BNEDS
ODCA @ CHA
CHSAA @ CBA
JPG @ MOCS**

August 30, Tuesday

**CHA @ Shreveport
MOCS @ OBCA
FBCS @ CHSAA
JPG @ ODCA**

September 2, Friday

Bye

September 6, Tuesday

Bye

September 9, Friday

**Alexandria @ ODCA
MOCS @ CHSAA
Shreveport @ FBCS
SWLA @ OBCA
ACS @ CHA
Brighton @ CBA
JPG @ BNEDS**

September 13, Tuesday

**OBCA @ CHA
Shreveport @ Alexandria
CHSAA @ ODCA
JPG @ Brighton**

September 16, Friday

**CHA @ FBCS
Shreveport @ ACS
SWLA @ Alexandria
BNEDS @ MOCS
ODCA @ OBCA**

September 20, Tuesday

Alexandria @ OBCA
MOCS @ CHA
SWLA @ ACS
BNEDS @ CBA
Brighton @ CHSAA
ODCA @ FBCS

September 23, Friday

CBA @ MOCS
ODCA @ SWLA
FBCS @ ACS

September 27, Tuesday

Alexandria @ MOCS
OBCA @ Shreveport
SWLA @ CBA
ACS @ BNEDS
Brighton @ FBCS
CHSAA @ JPG

September 30, Friday

CHA @ SWLA
MOCS @ Brighton
OBCA @ FBCS
ACS @ Alexandria
CBA @ JPG
BNEDS @ CHSAA
ODCA @ Shreveport

October 4, Tuesday

CHA @ Alexandria
MOCS @ Shreveport
ACS @ CBA
BNEDS @ SWLA
ODCA @ Brighton
JPG @ FBCS

October 7, Friday

ACS @ ODCA
FBCS @ SWLA

October 11, Tuesday

Alexandria @ Shreveport
CHA @ OBCA
Brighton @ JPG
ODCA @ CHSAA

October 14, Friday

OBCA @ MOCS
Shreveport @ CHA
ODCA @ JPG
CHSAA @ FBCS

2022 ACEL Boys' Volleyball Schedule

Alexandria Homeschool Athletics Storm—Alexandria
CHA Northeast Flame—Monroe
Southwest Louisiana Homeschool Athletics Knights—Lake Charles
First Baptist Christian School Eagles—Lafayette

August 19, Friday
FBCS @ CHA

August 23, Tuesday
Alexandria @ CHA

August 26, Friday
Alexandria @ FBCS

September 2, Friday
SWLA @ CHA
FBCS @ Alexandria

September 13, Tuesday
SWLA @ FBCS

September 16, Friday
CHA @ FBCS
SWLA @ Alexandria

September 30, Friday
CHA @ SWLA

October 4, Tuesday
CHA @ Alexandria

October 7, Friday
FBCS @ SWLA

October 14, Friday
Alexandria @ SWLA



All Games must be completed by October 14

Volleyball All-State Voting

Saturday, October 15th
(via Zoom)

Playoffs

October 15th-25th

(See Volleyball Plan for playoff formats)

ACEL State Volleyball Tournament in Pineville

Friday, October 28

D1 Varsity Girls' Semifinals

Saturday, October 29

D1 JVG, D2 VG, D1 VG and VB State Championship