

Coaching!

We have some great ones!

What are the criteria for selecting a coach for the USA MI volleyball club?

It's not an easy task!

First of all, I have to know them and know them well. If I don't know them, they have to come highly recommended from a trusted source and then I have to meet them and interview them.

I'm interested in great people that have passed the background screening process from USA Volleyball. They have to love the sport and want to be great teachers first and foremost.

In order to be a great teacher, you have to study and be a lifetime learner.

You have to have strong communication skills so you can provide appropriate and timely feedback to an athlete. You have to be a tireless worker, one who is committed to coaching because of a higher purpose.

You have to manage athletes in the training center, and during pre/during/post competition opportunities.

You have to interact graciously with parents even though we deal with them in a highly charged and emotional process. Parents want three things for their daughters:

1. They want them to learn!
2. They want them to play...all the time...
3. They want them to win.

It's our coaches' job to facilitate #1.

It's the athlete's responsibility to earn #s 2-3.

Coaches are our company's single most valuable resource asset. You can't grow great players without great coaches.

25 seasons!