

2026–2027 Parent Information Guide

Boys club season, team options, travel, uniforms, coaches, and practice schedules

Welcome to the season! This guide brings the most important club information into one place so your family can understand the available team experiences, costs, schedules, travel expectations, and next steps.

1. Getting Started

Pinnacle will use PlayMetrics as the primary platform for registration, team placement, calendars, practice and tournament details, parent/player group chats, and club payments. Once your athlete is placed, please make sure all participating parents or guardians have access and keep notifications enabled.

- Complete all requested registration and payment information in PlayMetrics.
- Review your team calendar regularly and communicate conflicts as early as possible.
- Use the team communication channel for routine questions and updates.
- Keep contact information current so you do not miss schedule, travel, or tournament announcements.

2. Club Leadership and Support

Josh Nehls — Growth Lead

Josh leads Pinnacle’s vision, growth, partnerships, and overall direction. He focuses on creating new opportunities for athletes and families while ensuring Pinnacle continues to grow and deliver a high-quality club experience.

McKay Smith — Director of Volleyball

McKay, Associate Head Coach for Long Beach State Men’s Volleyball, will lead the club’s volleyball standards, coach development, and program consistency through practice visits and ongoing coach support.

Administrative Support

The administrative team will coordinate tournament registration, roster updates, event check-ins, coach travel, hotel-block information, and club-wide event communication.

3. Boys Team Experience Options

Athletes will be offered a team based on their tryout evaluation. Families may choose a lower-commitment option—Traditional instead of Elite, or Club Lite instead of Elite/Traditional—subject to roster availability.

Program	Price	Payment Options	Practice Commitment	Tournaments Included in Cost
Travel	\$5,700 (Includes travel tournaments)	- Full Payment - 3 months - 5 months	3 × 2-hour practices weekly	All SoCal Cup League tournaments, The Winter Formal, The Open Championship, The Showcase, and 2 Travel tournaments (Chicago and Nationals). 14 and under will also participate in The Equinox.
Traditional	\$5,100	- Full Payment - 3 months - 5 months	3 × 2-hour practices weekly	All SoCal Cup League tournaments, The Winter Formal, The Open Championship, and The Showcase. 14 and under will also participate in The Equinox.

4. Uniforms and Player Equipment

- Pinnacle will provide 1 set of Slunk shorts and Jersey. The other two uniform sets will be available for purchase on the online store.
- Additional player and parent gear will be available through the online store. Families may reuse eligible practice gear and warmups from a previous season or purchase only what they need.

5. Stats and Film

- This season we will be implementing a new stats system. Every head coach will have an iPad and an Istatvb3 subscription to ensure all of our decisions are made with the most information.
- This season we will be using AIM+ for film and highlights.

6. Age Division Lead Coaches

18s - McKay Smith

17s - Nick Amado

16s - Luke Pope

15s - Drake Evans

14s - Jon Parry

13s - Rory Jones

7. Practice Schedule

Our primary weekday practices will be held at AIM Sportsplex in Seal Beach.

14U and under

Mondays and Wednesdays

4:00–6:00 p.m.

15U and 16U

Mondays and Wednesdays

6:00–8:00 p.m.

17U and 18U

Mondays and Wednesdays

8:00–10:00 p.m.

Teams will also have a third practice at Long Beach City College on Saturdays or Sundays. These practices may utilize both the indoor and beach volleyball courts.

Teams will not hold weekend practices when they are competing in a tournament.

The first official practice will be **Wednesday, August 26**.

A complete season calendar, including practice dates, tournaments, events, and club activities, will be provided well in advance.

8. Tryouts and Commitment Night

Pinnacle Tryouts

Tryouts will take place on Saturday, August 22 and Sunday, August 23.

17U and 18U: 8:00–10:00 a.m.

15U and 16U: 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

14U and younger: 12:00–2:00 p.m.

Location:

The Gold Mine

Long Beach State

Commitment Night

Commitment Night will take place on Sunday, August 23rd, at the Goldmine.

All ages: 8:00–10:00 a.m

This will be an opportunity for players and families to meet one another, complete uniform sizing, and begin the player onboarding process.

Onboarding can also be done at home during the same timeframe via the playmetrics app.

Location:

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9. Beach Day

Monday, August 24th we will host a beach day 6-9pm at the LBCC beach volleyball courts. Everyone is welcome to stop by and socialize while the players play beach volleyball!