

ABOUT BVCHEA

Brazos Valley Christian Home Educators Association, an IRS 501 (c)(3) non-profit corporation, was founded in 1991 to provide Christian homeschool students with various academic, athletic, and social events. We currently offer 6-Man Football, Volleyball (boys & girls), Cheerleading, Golf, Softball, and Baseball. We offered One Act Play for junior high and hope to expand that program. We partner with Cornerstone Christian Academy to offer basketball (boys & girls) and track (boys & girls). We partner with other local homeschool groups to provide a fall dance, spring prom, and graduation.

To learn more about BVCHEA, visit our website at www.bvchea.org.

ABOUT MUSTANGS VOLLEYBALL

Mustangs Volleyball encourages players to develop their volleyball skills as well as their Christian virtues. Our mission is to provide a competitive and fun environment for players to grow as athletes, as friends, and as sons & daughters of Christ.

We are so proud of the leadership and perseverance our players demonstrate. Our Junior High Red and Junior Varsity teams had top finishes at the 2024 TAIAO Regionals. Varsity finished 4th out of 22 teams at the TAIAO State Championship! We are excited to watch our inaugural boys team compete in their first season with the Mustangs!

For the 2025 season, Mustangs will have 7 teams:

- Boys Varsity
- Girls Varsity
- Girls Junior Varsity-A
- Girls Junior Varsity-B
- Girls Junior High-Red
- Girls Junior High-Black
- Girls Junior High-White

ABOUT TAIAO

BVCHEA teams compete under the Texas Association of Independent Athletic Organizations (TAIAO). TAIAO Volleyball provides Regional playoffs for Junior High and Junior Varsity and State Playoffs for Varsity. TAIAO teams will be divided into North and South regions and will compete in a Regional Tournament. For Varsity, the top 2 teams from each Regional division will advance to the State Tournament.

TAIAO rules regarding player eligibility will be enforced across all BVCHEA sports. According to TAIAO rules, a player who is 14 as of May 31st must play for a high school team. A player is allowed 4 consecutive years of eligibility at the high school level. A player cannot turn 19 years of age before May 31st of the participating school year without a valid approved exception.

For more information and to download the General Rules and Volleyball Plan, visit https://www.taiao.org/.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

BVCHEA relies on parent-volunteers to assist coaches with the many duties involved in organizing a sport. Parent volunteers make our athletic programs successful. Please review the various volunteer opportunities and let us know where you are able to help!

GAME DAY

assist with game crew: libero tracker / scoreboard / line judge / books work admissions table provide player drinks & snacks
*See the Google doc link in the TeamSideline app to sign up for Game Day duties!

GAME FILM & STATS

film games and post to team YouTube channel / Balltime enter team stats into MaxPreps

SOCIAL MEDIA

update Facebook with game schedule/results and team events create photo posts for Instagram / create Sponsor Thank You posts for Facebook

FUNDRAISING & SPONSORSHIPS

organize fundraising events / solicit business sponsors

TEAM PRAYER & DEVOTIONALS

lead prayer before a home game / lead a devotional at practice

TEAMBUILDING & MEALS

plan fun events for the players plan team meals after games (pick a nearby restaurant)

COMMUNICATION

TeamSideline app: game & practice schedule, chat, announcements, links, roster

BVCHEA website: www.bvchea.org

game schedule, registration, online payment & donations

Facebook: BVCHEA page & Brazos Valley Mustangs Athletics group game schedule & results, BVCHEA events, sponsor recognition

Instagram: bvm_volleyball

2025 BRAZOS VALLEY MUSTANGS GIRLS VARSITY AND JUNIOR VARSITY

Head Coach

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Assistant Coach
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Assistant Coach Hannah Sweatman hmarie.34@tamu.edu

Varsity Season Commitment

5 practices per week starting August 4

2-3 games per week starting August 12

Local tournaments: Leon & Legends Invitational TAIAO Regional: San Antonio (October 10-11)

TAIAO State: Bryan (October 17-18)

Practices @ Legends Event Center 4:30-7:30 through August 7 and 4:30-7:00 starting August 11.

- * Wednesdays are optional for those attending church activities.
- * Check TS Events for changes to practice times/locations

JV Season Commitment

4-5 practices per week starting August 4

2-3 games per week starting August 12

Local tournaments: Legends Invitational & Aggieland Tournament

TAIAO Regional: San Antonio (October 10-11)

Practices @ Legends Event Center 4:30-7:30 through August 7 and 4:30-7:00 (JVA) or 4:30-6:30 (JVB) starting August 11.

- * Wednesdays are optional for those attending church activities.
- * Check TS Events for changes to practice times/locations

2025 BRAZOS VALLEY MUSTANGS GIRLS JUNIOR HIGH

Russ Bardin

Steve Duncan

Layne Mathews

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Junior High Red Season Commitment

3-4 practices per week starting August 4

2 games + 1-2 practices per week starting August 25

Local tournaments: Richards & Aggieland Out of town tournament: CHSM Houston

District Tournament: St. Joseph's

TAIAO Regional: San Antonio (October 10-11)

Practice 3:30-5:00 Monday through Thursday at Legends Event Center

- * Wednesdays are optional for those attending church activities.
- * Check TS Events for changes to practice times/locations.

Junior High Black Season Commitment

3-4 practices per week starting August 4

2 games + 1-2 practices per week starting August 25

Local tournaments: Richards & Aggieland

Practice 3:30-5:00 Monday through Thursday at Legends Event Center

- * Wednesdays are optional for those attending church activities.
- * Check TS Events for changes to practice times/locations.

Junior High White Season Commitment

3-4 practices per week starting August 4

2 games + 1-2 practices per week starting August 25

Local tournament: Richards

Practice 3:30-5:00 Monday through Thursday at Legends Event Center

- * Wednesdays are optional for those attending church activities.
- * Check TS Events for changes to practice times/locations.

2025 BRAZOS VALLEY MUSTANGS BOYS VARSITY

Russ Bardin coachbardin@bvchea.org

Steve Duncan coachduncan@bvchea.org

Varsity Season Commitment

3-4 practices per week starting August 4
CHSM Tournament
Freddy's Fundraiser
hopefully some games
definitely another tournament
Practices mostly 5:00-6:30 @ Legends Event Center unless TS Event has another time and random location listed

- * Wednesdays are optional for those attending church activities.
- * Check TS Events for changes to practice times/locations.

BVCHEA BOARD MEMBERS FOR VOLLEYBALL

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BRAZOS VALLEY MUSTANGS Volleyball

PARENT EXPECTATIONS

- 1. I am committed to getting my player to practices and games. I understand that practice time is important for players to develop individual skills as well as team skills, so I will have my player at practice 15 minutes before the start time. I understand that coaches are volunteering their time to give my player the opportunity to play volleyball, so I will pick up my player promptly at the end of practice.
- **2.** If I have a grievance, I agree to wait 24 hours before sending a text or email. After 24 hours, I can address my concern with a BVCHEA board member. After discussing my concern with a board member, I can request a meeting with a coach.
- **3.** I will conduct myself respectfully towards Mustangs coaches and players as well as the opposing team's coaches, players, parents, and the officials. I understand that BVCHEA is a Christian organization, and I will strive for virtue in my behavior and in my communication.

PLAYER EXPECTATIONS

Players are expected to demonstrate maturity and self-control on and off the court. A competitive spirit is important for an athlete, but the desire to win should never come before kindness and encouragement towards teammates.

- **1.** I will control my emotions. I will work hard to have a positive attitude toward my teammates and myself. I will not insult or criticize my teammates. I will be mindful of my words, actions, and facial expressions.
- **2.** I will have a coachable attitude. I will show a willingness to learn and improve. I will show respect and gratitude to my coaches for their dedication to the team.
- **3.** I will give my best effort at all practices and games. I will arrive 15 minutes before practice so I am dressed and ready when practice begins. I will arrive at the specified time on game days. I will notify my coach if I need to miss practice or a game. I understand that play time in a game is earned through hard work at practice.

Parent Signature	Date	Player Signature	Date

TEAM COPY

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