



18's at MVA

The 18's program is traditionally for 12th graders. We offer 3 levels of training:

- **Regional:** Players have 2 practices/week and 1 hour of performance training. They play in the local Lakeshore power league (Saturdays only), play in the President's Day Challenge in Lansing and attend the Winter Championships (Sat/Sun). Athletes can play a winter and/or spring season
- **Elite (Full Season):** Players have 2 practices/week and 1 hour of performance training. They play in the regional Michiana power league (Saturday/Sunday) and attend 8 two-day tournaments throughout the year. Play concludes at the MJVBA Championships in June. This level is for our most competitive athletes.
- **18 Black (Full Season):** Players have 2 practices/week and 1 hour of performance training. They play in the Michiana power league (Saturday/Sundays) and 7 additional tournaments. Play conclude at the end of May at the Spring Fling. This level is the most competitive schedule for athletes in the senior class.

Important Dates:

- Tryouts: Sunday, Nov 12, 3:00p-6:30p
- Program Announcement: On the website Tuesday, Nov 14 by 5pm
- Parent Meeting: Wednesday, Nov 15 at 6pm for those who make the MVA 18 Black, Elite, and Regional Programs
- Practice Starts: Week of Nov 27 for Elite/Black teams; Week of Dec 4 for Regional teams
- Spring Season Tryouts: March 5 – March 8

Practice/Tournament Information:

- Tentative Practice Schedule:
 - Regional: Mondays, 6:30 – 9:00 and Wednesdays, 7:30 – 9:30
 - Elite/Black: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 – 9:00
- Tentative Tournament Dates:
 - Regional:
 - Jan 6, Jan 27, Feb 10, Feb 17/18, Feb 24, March 3/4
 - One regional tournament on Feb 17/18. All other events within 15 miles of MSA Fieldhouse
 - Elite:
 - Jan 6/7, Jan 13/14, Jan 27/28, Feb 3/4, Feb 17/18, Feb 24/25, March 3/4, April 21/22, April 28/29, May 19/20, June 2/3
 - Locations are Grand Rapids, Milwaukee, Detroit, Warren, Lansing, Cleveland
 - The Elite team will have one team building retreat weekend on Dec 9/10
 - National:
 - Jan 6/7, Jan 13/14, Jan 27/28, Feb 3/4, Feb 17-19, Feb 24/25, March 23-25, April 21/22, April 28/29, May 19/20
 - Locations are Grand Rapids, Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit, Warren, Lansing, Indianapolis, Cleveland.
 - The 18 Black Team will have one team building retreat weekend on Dec 9/10

Tuition Information:

- Regional: \$786 tuition + \$110 Gear Player Pack
- Elite: \$1870 + \$175 Gear Player Pack + \$655 Team Travel
- 18 Black: \$1995 + \$175 Gear Player Pack + \$475 Team Travel
- Payment Notes:
 - Player Packs include practice t-shirts, Nike custom long-sleeve jersey(s), AAU membership, water bottle, band, and whistle.
 - Team Travel –
 - Elite will travel and stay as a team (with a chaperone) to Cleveland (1/13&14), Milwaukee (2/3&4), Detroit (4/21&22), and a team building retreat at Camp Henry (12/9&10). This cost covers travel and lodging costs for the athlete to these events.
 - National will travel and stay as a team (with a chaperone) to Cleveland (1/13&14), Milwaukee (2/3&4), and a team building retreat at Camp Henry (12/9&10). This cost covers travel and lodging costs for the athlete to these events.
 - We do offer monthly payment plans at no additional fee
 - Scrip and Savory Foods fundraisers available. Information available at tryouts and the parent meeting.