

# Highland Volleyball 2023

## Parent Packet



### Welcome / Introduction of Coaches:

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### Philosophy, Playing Time and Responsibilities:

Playing time is not equal on any of our teams. Each team will be different as far as how often coaches try to get in players. Coaches will make their best effort to try to get everyone playing time, but it will depend on the game and teams we play.

**Freshman and JV:** Coaches will do their best to get each player on the court at least one time per week in a game.

**Varsity:** Coaches will play lineups that they think will give the team the best possible chance to win. Each member of varsity understands that positive energy is required no matter what the circumstances. Being on varsity requires great selflessness.

**E.L.I.T.E.** - Enthusiasm, Love, Integrity, Toughness, Everyday

**A.C.E.S.** - Attitude, Communication, Effort, Selflessness

Expectations of Athletes and their families:

1. 'Walk and talk' our message of athletes finding **Purpose** and seeking clear **Vision** for the person they want to be.
2. Embrace **challenges** as opportunities to gain maturity and seek perspective.
3. Commit to vital **growth** that comes from communicating with coaches and teammates.
4. Stay laser focused on what matters, **these young ladies becoming strong young women who respond to challenges with enthusiasm and relentlessness.**
5. Show respect for everyone involved in this season (Referees, coaches, other players, other parents, etc...)

**Family:** Involvement/Sacrifice/Support is done by the many not the few

**Excellence:** Fully engage in training/competing with your whole heart

**Integrity:** Maintain your responsibilities as a student/daughter/church member/ friend

### \*\*\*\*Parent Responsibilities, Channels of Communication\*\*\*\*:

1. Support your player, ask them about their role and have them ask me/their coach.
2. Parent/Coach communication will follow Parent/Athlete communication in every case of playing time, role, and perceptions of treatment.
  - Wait 24 hours after game.
  - Player talks to coach.
  - Player talks to Parents / Guardians.
  - Player and Parents / Guardians talk to coach together. Coach Neilson will be in all meetings.
3. Coaches want the best for your daughter and take time away from their families and jobs to be here. Please be respectful in communication.

We expect our athletes to attend as many volleyball matches this year as possible.

- Parents need to **sign a transportation form in Brenda's office** that allows you to take your daughter home after away games instead of riding the bus.

### Team Fees:

**Athletic Fee (directly to Highland Athletics) | \$125 – MUST PAY TO GET UNIFORMS | [registermyathlete.com](http://registermyathlete.com) (Aktivate)**  
(*\$8.25 processing fee online | Pay at School (no charge) Drop off check to Athletic office/finance office*)

**Player Program Fee/Season Fee: \$250 Frosh/JV | \$350 Varsity**

**Payment Options for Highland Girls Volleyball:** (Fundraiser money doesn't not apply to Player fees)

- Zelle | [highlandgirlsvb@gmail.com](mailto:highlandgirlsvb@gmail.com) | (*preferred method*)
- Check, payable to | *Highland Hawks Girls Volleyball Booster Club*
- [Paypal.me/highlandgirlsvb](https://www.paypal.com/merchot?p=highlandgirlsvb)

**TAX CREDIT:** Opportunity to donate \$200 individually, or up to \$400 jointly. This is money you get a full refund for in this tax year. This is money we can use to buy equipment, uniforms, and most importantly, pays volunteer coaches. We have an amazing staff that I want to compensate correctly.

- Anyone in Arizona can donate to Highland Girls Volleyball (code 21712).
- Some may know that you can use tax credit to pay the \$125 athletic fee, but any additional money that you donate can be donated to Highland Girls Volleyball (code 21712).
- Make sure that you check the box for **Highland Girls Volleyball** if donating money.
- Visit: <https://www.gilbertschools.net/taxcredit>

### **Parent / Booster Club Introduction:**

Char Fazio, Booster President  
JJ Bhakta, Vice President  
Rebekka Kotrodimos, Treasurer  
Molly Heaton, Secretary

**Email:** [highlandgirlsrb@gmail.com](mailto:highlandgirlsrb@gmail.com) or Char Fazio 602-410-9014 text/call

**A great way to get involved and show support is by joining us at our first booster meeting.**

**Next Booster Meeting:** TBD

### **Team Meals:**

Provided by the parents for each game, every family will have the opportunity to participate. Please sign up for the day that works best for you. If you do not sign up, a day will be assigned to you. If you have a conflict, please make sure you trade with someone so that everyone takes their turn. Home meals will be brought to HHS and away meals will either need to be packed for the bus or delivered to the “away” school. Freshman & JV teams eat after their matches (4:00 / 5:00). Varsity eats before their (6:00) match. At 3 o'clock. If you are bringing food for Varsity, or are providing the home match meal, PLEASE DO NOT PROVIDE PIZZA.

Here is a list of places that are good for team meals:

Chick-fil-a  
Canes  
Jimmy John's  
Jersey Mike's  
Boca  
Subway  
Homemade pasta  
Salad & Go  
Etc...

***Volunteers/ Help Needed: Talk to a booster representative.***

*Senior Night, Banquet, Dig Pink Night, Team Mom/Dad, Sponsorships, Homecoming Parade*

**Highland Volleyball Merchandise Store:** <https://highlandgirlsrb.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

## **Fundraising Options:**

### **Direct Donations:**

Zelle: [highlandgirls vb@gmail.com](mailto:highlandgirls vb@gmail.com)

Check: Highland Hawks Girls Volleyball Booster Club

Paypal: [https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=PHA3QEULWHYXN](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=PHA3QEULWHYXN)

(please select '**Help cover fees**')

(Frosh/JV goal \$100/player, Varsity goal \$500/player)

### **Snap! Raise**

- Kickoff Date: **8/17 @ 5pm** w/ program players.
- All players are encouraged to provide at least 20 emails at the start of the fundraiser.
- [http://raise.snap.app/join\\_code/142536615](http://raise.snap.app/join_code/142536615)
- Per Player Goal \$120 (Frosh/JV), \$600 Varsity

### **Concessions stand at home games**

For now we are NOT having concessions this year.

Possibly a few games at the end of season, through the playoffs.

### **Social Media/Website:**

**Facebook:** [Highland High School Girls Volleyball](#) **Instagram:** [@HighlandGirlsVB](#) **Website:** [www.highlandvolleyball.com](http://www.highlandvolleyball.com)

### **Varsity Tournament Dates:**

House of Payne - 9/1 & 9/2

Westwood TOC - 9/8 & 9/9

Southern California Invitational (San Diego) - 10/6 & 10/7

### **Viewing Home Games via Youtube**

<https://www.youtube.com/@hhsyoutube5667>

### **Practice Schedules:**

*Freshman:* (Mon-Fri 3:00 - 5:00 pm)- Generally No Saturdays

*JV Practice:* (Mon-Fri 4:30 - 6:30 pm) - Few Saturdays

*Varsity Practice:* (Mon-Fri 4:30 - 6:45 pm) - Most Saturdays in September and October

# AUGUST 2023

## Highlights for August

7-10	Tryouts	16	Varsity Scrimmage
17	Snap Raise Fundraising	18	Program Pictures
19	Pre-Season Party	24	First Game vs Campo

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	1	2	3	4	5
7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>Tryouts</b> 4:30-6:30	<b>Tryouts</b> 4:30-6:30	<b>Tryouts</b> 4:30-6:30	<b>Tryouts</b> 4:30-6:30	<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	<b>Practice</b> Varsity 9:30 - 11:30 am JV Up to coach Frosh Up to coach
14	15	16	17	18	19
<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45 <b>Parent Meeting 7 pm</b>	<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-4:00 JV 4:00-5:00 Varsity <b>Scrimmage</b> <b>5 - 7 at Highland</b>	<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 5:00-6:30 Varsity 5:00-6:45 <b>SnapRaise Fundraising</b>	<b>Donna Mundy Photos</b> <b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	<b>Practice</b> Varsity 8:00 am JV Up to coach Frosh Up to coach <b>Pre Season Party</b>
21	22	23	24	25	26
<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-4:00 JV 4:00-5:00 Varsity 4:30-6:45	<b>Game Day</b> Home vs Campo Verde 4:00   5:00   6:00	<b>Game Day</b> Away @ Gilbert 4:00   5:00   6:00	<b>No Practice</b> (Badminton Tournament)
28	29	30	31		
<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	<b>Game Day</b> Away @ Rincon Univ. 4:00   5:00   6:00	<b>Practice</b> Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	<b>Game Day</b> Away @ West Point 4:00   5:00   6:00		

# SEPTEMBER 2023

## Highlights for September

1-2	Varsity House of Payne Tournament	6	Home vs Xavier
8-9	Varsity Westwood Tournament	29	No Practice Fall Break Begins

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2
				Varsity House of Payne Tournament Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30	Varsity House of Payne Tournament
4	5	6	7	8	9
Practice Frosh 10:00 am - 12 JV 10:00 am - 12 Varsity 10:00 am - 12	Game Day Away @ Red Mountain 4:00   5:00   6:00	Game Day Home vs Xavier 4:00   5:00   6:00	Game Day Home vs Alhambra 4:00   5:00   6:00	Varsity Westwood Tournament Practice Frosh & JV TBD	Varsity Westwood Tournament
11	12	13	14	15	16
Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Game Day Away @ Hamilton 4:00   5:00   6:00	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Practice Varsity -----
18	19	20	21	22	23
Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Game Day Away @ Queen Creek 4:00   5:00   6:00	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Game Day Home vs Corona Del Sol 4:00   5:00   6:00	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Practice Varsity -----
25	26	27	28	29	
Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Game Day Away @ Desert Vista 4:00   5:00   6:00	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Game Day Home vs Desert Ridge 4:00   5:00   6:00	No Practice Half Day Fall Break Begins	

# OCTOBER 2023

## Highlights for October

2-7	No Practice - Fall Break	6-7	SoCal Invite Tournament Varsity
9-14	Practices, Games, – Fall Break Resume		Banquet TBD

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					30
					No Practice Fall Break
2	3	4	5	6	7
No Practice Fall Break	No Practice Fall Break	No Practice Fall Break	No Practice Fall Break	Varsity SoCal Tournament San Diego, California	Varsity SoCal Tournament San Diego, California
9	10	11	12	13	14
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16	17	18	19	20	21
Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45 Chipotle Night	Game Day Away @ Corona Del Sol 4:00   5:00   6:00	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Game Day Home vs Desert Vista 4:00   5:00   6:00 *Pink Out	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	
23	24	25	26	27	28
Game Day Away @ Desert Ridge 4:00   5:00   6:00	Practice Frosh 3:00-5:00 JV 4:30-6:30 Varsity 4:30-6:45	Game Day Home vs Gilbert 4:00   5:00   6:00 *Frosh & JV Last Game *Senior Night	Practice Varsity 4:30-6:45	Practice Varsity 4:30-6:45	
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# Snap! Raise Fundraiser

Snap! Raise is an online fundraising platform that helps programs raise more money with less effort. We can skip the door-to-door sales and keep fundraising efforts simple and safe. Our fundraising campaign will raise money by telling our story via email, text message, and social media.

## How to get started:

- Your Fundraiser: Highland High School Girls Volleyball 2023
- Use the QR code, join code or join code link to help your child sign up. (or log in if you've already created an account) Join link: [http://raise.snap.app/join\\_code/142536615](http://raise.snap.app/join_code/142536615) Join code: 142536615
- Help your child invite friends and family to donate: Enter 20 (or more!) email addresses. Examples: parents, grandparents, other relatives, family friends, neighbors, parent's coworkers, former coaches
- Remember, it's all online, so you can invite relatives and friends from across the nation or even another country!
- Once the fundraiser is live, we will text your child a link. Please post the link to your social media account and share with your contacts.

