

Boys Volleyball 2026 Meeting Agenda and notes

Intro

- Entering 2nd year of Boys Volleyball
 - o 2025: District runner-up, several senior college volleyball offers, several players actively being recruited in the 2027 class
- Retired Jan 2023, 22 years Air Force, PC since 2015
- History:
 - o 4 years NBH HS girl's program: 75-31, Back-to-back (2024 and 2025) Elite 8 and Back-to-back (2024 and 2025) Coach FACA and Bay County Coach of the year
 - o Founding member of the Middle GA Junior volleyball association in 2001
 - o Mowat Middle school coach (3 County Championships), BUEV, 7th year with ECVC 13U-17U and current 13 National coach
 - o Established FLIPSide Volleyball for more training opportunities in the area
 - o Club coach with ECVC

From this point forward when I say the word **WE**... it means not just me, coaches and players but it truly means **WE. Parents, Teachers, Staff**... It's a collective effort to ensure that this program is successful.

Mission

To provide a safe and exciting environment where young men and women can reach their academic, athletic, and personal potential at North Bay Haven.

Vision

Through the sport of volleyball, we will instill the **FIGHTing** spirit. That through **Family, Investment, Growth Mindset, Humility, and Toughness** we will build a foundation of **young men and women filled with character**, not only for our **school and community**... BUT... if WE (you, me, and this school and community) do it right, **WE will enable these them to excel beyond our city/state/national borders.**

THIS ... is truly our goal... with volleyball as our METHOD.

Program Values

F – Family, Our actions are **centered on family**. That the **collective WE**... the parents, teachers, coaches, staff, and community all contribute to our success.

I – Investment, The greatest impact is not just monetary, but that of Investment in yourself as the player and the team's development. 100% on the court, invest in **physical development through workouts and better nutrition**. **Mental investment needed through the study of the game** but also the letter "G" in **FIGHT**... and that's a ...

G – Growth Mindset, Individuals who believe their **talents can be developed (through hard work, good strategies, and input from others)** have a growth mindset. Find the fixes and not dwell on the mistake is huge and takes humility to know what it takes to grow...

H – Humility

They **acknowledge they don't have it all together** ...

They know the **difference between self-confidence and pride** ...

They seek to **add value** to others and the team ...

They take **responsibility** for their actions ...

They are filled with **gratitude**

T – Toughness, The US Navy Seals have a saying "Get Comfortable being Uncomfortable." We must have resilience and toughness when we play. We must create a **challenging and success driven volleyball program**. So that when faced with adversity they are comfortable and can execute the impossible because we've trained mentally and physically to think that anything is possible.

A character and resume building program to have a competitive edge for their future.

2026 Additional coaches: Shawna Cabatu, Jordan Wyman, Mell Staiger, Guilherme “Gui” Freitas (Baptist University of Florida Asst. Coach), Pete Taunton

Families make up the final, but most important aspect to a successful year. What I need from you:

1. Active support and participation: Parent involvement, booster club, game attendance, feedback, multi-experienced knowledge in your specialty to better the program. Home game and tournament work is required (door and concessions)
2. Patience... be 1% better daily... incremental changes will lead to lasting effects.

My promise to you: remain dedicated in seeing through our Mission and Vision through early planning, open lines of communication, and maintaining the model of WE not ME in our program.

2026 Season Key Points and Events

Sign up for TeamApp, FaceBook and Instagram North Bay Haven Volleyball

Conditioning days – Week of 9-12 Feb, times TBC

Tryouts – 17 Feb 2026

Matches - 12-17 season games

- March 4 – @Gulf Breeze
- March 14 (Saturday) – @NBH, Spring Break Bash Tournament: NBH, GB, Choctaw, Harvest Catholic, Bartram trail, Forest
- **PENDING: March 21 (Saturday) – TK Volleyball Tournament, Atlanta**
- Apr 1 – vs. Choctaw
- Apr 7 (Senior Night) – vs Gulf Breeze
- Apr 11 – Nease HS Tournament, Nease FL
- Apr 14 - @Choctaw
- Apr 21-25 – Districts
- Apr 30, Mar 5 and 8 – Regionals

Financial planning is CRITICAL due to travel costs. Last year's costs: >\$8,000

Fundraising opportunities

- Concessions and Vertical Raise
- TV banner advertisements (\$300 new) **LARGEST contributor. 55 banners, \$10k**

Projected Player fee estimate - \$350 + 1 \$300 banner

- Banner Sales
 - o 1 required (\$300), additional sales will go toward player fees. If not accomplished, then the \$300 is added toward player fees.
- Vertical Raise
 - o (Boys) 200 – 50%, 400 – 100%, 750 – 100% and banner met