



Kansas City Rocks!

The 2017 NCVF National Championship Tournament was held in Kansas City on April 12-15, attracting over 440 NCVF collegiate club teams from throughout the USA. The tournament featured ten divisions of competition with 1,683 individual matches played on 63 courts over a three-day span at the Kansas City Convention Center. This year's tournament honored the memory and historic contributions of former NCVF Board member and tournament founder, Gary Colberg.

Competition and sportsmanship throughout the event was exceptional. All divisional champions were honored at an awards ceremony that followed completion of the NCVF Men's and NCVF Women's Division I finals. Championship team awards were presented as follows:

	Gold Champion	Gold Finalist
NCVF Men's Division I	San Diego State University	Ohio State University
NCVF Men's Division IAA	University of Delaware	Cornell University
NCVF Men's Division IAAA	North Dakota State University	University of Illinois-Chicago
NCVF Men's Division II	Saint Louis University	Messiah College
NCVF Men's Division III	Cal Poly SLO 'B'	Virginia Tech 'B'
NCVF Women's Division I	University of San Francisco	Ohio State University
NCVF Women's Division IAA	Cal Poly SLO	University of Tennessee
NCVF Women's Division IAAA	North Carolina State University	Ohio University
NCVF Women's Division II	Butler University	UW- La Crosse
NCVF Women's Division III	Ohio State University 'B'	Michigan State University 'B'

Following a season of league and event play where NCVF teams travelled and played in over 15,000 matches, the 2017 NCVF National Championship Tournament drew over 7,500 participants to Kansas City, making it the largest intercollegiate volleyball championship in the world. The NCVF Student Advisory Council staged spirit competitions during the event,

capturing the unique culture and comradery of the tournament field. More parents and fans attended this year's event than at any time in the history of the tournament.

USA Volleyball facilitated the NCVF event by securing the tournament venue, housing, set-up and other critical supportive services. Over 200 certified referees travelled from throughout North America to officiate tournament match play. The event was also supported by generous contributions from ASCIS, Molten and Lucky Dog.

NCVF President, Sante Perrelli said "we deeply appreciate the tremendous support we received by the City of Kansas City, USA Volleyball, our sponsors, tournament staff, parents, administrators, referees, coaches, and of course, our phenomenal collection of collegiate club teams; NCVF participants are among the brightest and most talented student-athletes anywhere on the planet."

Doug Hinton, NCVF National Championship Tournament Director, added that "this year's NCVF event was one of the best we have ever hand, thanks in large part to the enthusiasm of our participants. I am also thankful for the outstanding work done by event staff and can't wait till next year!" At the tournament Captain's Meeting, Hinton announced that St. Louis has been selected by NCVF and USA Volleyball to host the 2018 NCVF National Championship Tournament on April 11-13, 2018.

For full tournament results, All-Tournament honorees, and more information about the 2017 NCVF National Championship Tournament, visit <http://www.ncfvolleyball.org/Pages/nationals.aspx>.