

# South Dakota Volleyball Officials Association

To: All Volleyball Officials

Topic: Recruitment and Mentoring of New Officials

This letter is to help explain the program that the All Sports Officials Advisory Council has implemented to help **recruit and retain new officials** for high school athletics.

**Purpose:** Recruit and Retain new officials for high school athletics. This program also provides new officials the opportunity to receive guidance from experienced officials in learning proper techniques, officiating skills, implementation of the rules, etc. while receiving compensation.

**Definitions: New official (Mentee):** a registered official with 0-5 years of experience (may mentor up to 3 dates/season)

**Mentor:** An official who is currently certified with the SDHSAA.

**Level of matches:** High School only

Lower level—Freshman, Sophomore or Junior Varsity

Higher level—Varsity

## Requirements:

1. The new official must be registered with the SDHSAA office.
2. The new official can work a lower level match (grades 9-12).
3. Observe a certified official while that official works a match and receive \$50.  
Note: New official may only receive compensation for one of the above per date.
4. The new official may be mentored up to three dates per season.
5. Certified officials mentoring the new official and giving written and verbal feedback in regards to their performance, will receive \$50 provided they were not contracted (hired) and receiving compensation for working that match. A copy of the written evaluation must be sent along with the payment voucher.
6. A form/voucher must be filled out and signed by the mentoring official and sent to the Executive Secretary of the SDVBOA to receive compensation.

There is a copy of evaluation/mentor form/voucher on reverse side. Please make additional copies as needed. If there are any questions please feel free to contact any Region Volleyball Officials Representative or Executive Secretary: Sandy Neugebauer at [sneuge13@hotmail.com](mailto:sneuge13@hotmail.com) or 770-5275.

**If you know of anyone that may be interested in becoming a volleyball official, have them contact our office at 224-9261. WE NEED VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS STATEWIDE.**

# VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS MENTORING VOUCHER

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Sports Officials Advisory Council

**(To be reimbursed, official must work a 9-12 contest)**

**(Only one voucher per date)**

**\*\*New official is 0-5 years of experience\*\***

Date game worked: \_\_\_\_\_

Teams involved in game: \_\_\_\_\_

What level contest: \_\_\_\_\_ Frosh \_\_\_\_\_ Soph. \_\_\_\_\_ JV \_\_\_\_\_ Varsity

## New Official

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Prospective official works a match (\$50). \$\_\_\_\_\_

Certified officials mentoring /evaluating (\$50) \$\_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Evaluator will only be paid to evaluate on night not contracted or hired to officiate the match.

\*\*A copy of the written evaluation must be sent along with the payment voucher.

**Please note: only one of the above per match.**

SIGNED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Mentor/Evaluator)

Mentor/Evaluators Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## Send to:

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