

# Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference



## 2023 MIAC Volleyball Season Preview

Volleyball

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**BLOOMINGTON, Minn.** – Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) volleyball teams are back on the court and ready for the 2023 season.

The fall season officially gets underway on Friday, September 1. While several MIAC squads will stay close to home to start the season, others will hit the road for non-conference matches across the country in California, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin. Conference play gets underway the week of September 18. The regular season will run through Saturday, November 4.

The top six teams in the conference standings at the end of the regular season will move on to the 2023 MIAC Volleyball Playoffs. The conference tournament will begin with two quarterfinal contests on Monday, November 6, followed by a pair of semifinal matches on Thursday, November 9. The 2023 MIAC Volleyball Playoff Championship is set for Saturday, November 11, with the winner securing the conference's automatic qualifier to the NCAA Tournament. The 2023 NCAA Division III Women's Volleyball Championship is scheduled for November 29-December 2, 2023 at Roberts Pavilion in Claremont, Calif.

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### 2022 FINAL STANDINGS

Gustavus (26-5, 11-0)\*#%

St. Olaf (8-3, 16-13)

St. Catherine (8-3, 18-8)

Bethel (8-3, 16-10)

Saint Benedict (6-5, 15-12)

Augsburg (6-5, 17-8)

Concordia (5-6, 9-15)

St. Scholastica (4-7, 11-12)

Macalester (4-7, 14-13)

Hamline (3-8, 6-22)

Saint Mary's (2-9, 9-18)

Carleton (1-10, 5-17)

*\*MIAC Regular Season Champion*

*#MIAC Playoff Champion*

*%NCAA Championship Participant*

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### RULE CHANGES

The NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) [reviewed and approved a handful of rule changes](#) ahead of last season that will carry over into 2023. The head coach will be the only person allowed to address the officials when the ball is out of play. Head coaches may address the referees to quickly clarify a nonjudgmental ruling, request a challenge or lodge a protest. In addition to that rule, the NCAA also affirmed that players will be allowed to wear small, secured articles of jewelry, like post stud earrings, during play. However, no articles of jewelry can be worn below the chin.

MIAC membership also approved permanently removing the visiting team roster limits for conference matches and playoffs. Visiting teams will now be allowed to match the NCAA roster limits for those contests.

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### MIAC SPORTS NETWORK

The [MIAC Sports Network](#) powered by Hudl launched in August and will be the streaming home of all MIAC-hosted games, events, and championships. The MIAC Sports

Network is available on the web (<https://miacsportsnetwork.com/>) along with streaming apps for television and mobile devices, including Android TV, Apple TV, Amazon Fire, Roku (TV), iOS, Android (mobile), and Amazon Fire Tablet. The app can be found and installed free of charge by searching for the MIAC Sports Network.

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#### MIAC APP

The MIAC debuted its refreshed [mobile app](#) last summer in partnership with SIDEARM Sports. The app is free to fans and can be downloaded on both the [Apple App Store](#) and the [Google Play Store](#) for Android devices.

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#### AWARD WATCH

The 2023 MIAC Volleyball All-Conference honors will be voted on by MIAC coaches at the conclusion of the regular season. In addition to a 22-player All-MIAC squad, coaches will also vote on individual awards for the MIAC Offensive, Defensive, Rookie, and Coach of the Year.

Throughout the regular season, the MIAC will recognize top individual performances with the MIAC Volleyball Offensive and Specialist (Defensive/Setter) of the Week awards. Athlete of the Week awards will begin on Tuesday, September 5 and be announced each Monday following through the end of the regular season. During the week following the MIAC Playoffs, participating coaches will also select a nine-player All-Playoff Team in recognition of outstanding performances throughout the conference tournament.

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#### LOOKING AHEAD

[AVCA Preseason Rankings](#): No. 17 Gustavus, RV Bethel, RV Augsburg

**First Non-Conference Match Date:** Friday, September 1

**First Conference Match Date:** Wednesday, September 20

**MIAC Playoffs:** Monday, November 6 (QF), Thursday, November 9 (SF), Saturday, November 11 (Championship)

**Season Links:** [Standings](#) | [Schedule](#) | [News](#) | [Statistics](#) | [Athletes of the Week](#) | [Playoffs](#) | [Record Book](#)

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