

VOLLEYBALL YEAR AT A GLANCE

Milton Hershey Volleyball competes in the Mid-Penn Conference Capital Division in PIAA District III, 3A Classification.

Fall Season (August to October)

- Preseason practices begin
- Daily practices after school with some Saturday practices and games
- 22 regular season games, two scrimmages, and up to two tournaments against PIAA opponents
- Senior Night and Dig Pink Breast Cancer Awareness events held in the Spartan Center Gym
- · Mid-Penn, District III, and PIAA State Playoffs, if qualified

Winter Season (December to May)

- Weekly workouts and practices
- Speed, strength, agility, and skill development workouts
- Weekly strength and conditioning workouts
- AAU partnership with Prevail Volleyball Club where select athletes can participate in multiple AAU volleyball tournaments held on campus and at local facilities against other club teams

Summer Season (May to July)

- Team tryouts begin for the fall season
- Strength, conditioning, and overall fitness workouts
- · Select athletes can attend an overnight volleyball camp held at a local college or university
- · Athletic-focused YRE available, providing daily lifting, conditioning, and other sport programming for students staying on campus in the summer







VOLLEYBALL FACILITIES



- Spartan Center Gym with one main court for home games and up to three practice courts
- Copenhaver Gym with one main court for home games and up to four practice courts
- Middle Division: Two volleyball courts and one auxiliary gym court
- Varsity and JV locker rooms
- Equipment storage cages
- Indoor fitness facilities include multiple weight rooms, a cycling room, and a newly renovated pool
- MHS Athletics Media Room for watching game film, holding team meetings, and conducting classroom-style sessions

PROVIDED EQUIPMENT

- 40+ Baden, Tachikara, Molten practice volleyballs, and a duffle bag
- Uniform includes a home and away jersey, knee pads, crew socks, volleyball shoes, spandex, ankle supports, warm-up tops and bottoms
- Practice long and short sleeve volleyball t-shirts
- · All equipment costs are covered, including quality brands like Nike and more

MEET THE COACH



- MHS Varsity Head Coach Jen (Cook) Shirk was named head coach in 2020.
- She is an MHS Elementary Division fourth grade teacher.
- Prior to MHS, Coach Shirk played volleyball at Elizabethtown College and coached with Prevail Volleyball Club.
- The entire coaching staff builds a unique practice model that incorporates foundational skills, technical instruction, and team strategy.

DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAMS

- Middle Division: Developmental program (Fall)
- 7th/8th Grades: Participation in PIAA Junior High volleyball (Spring)
- Select 7th/8th grade athletes can participate in local club teams for tournaments

PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Mid-Penn Colonial Division Champions: 2016, 2017, 2018
- Mid-Penn All Star Honorable Mention Athlete: 2023 Brijoanna Stewart
- Mid-Penn Capital Division Sportsmanship Team Award: 2022
- Mid-Penn Capital Division Coach of the Year: 2022 Head Coach Jen Shirk
- Jenna Burney '24 holds the school record for career assists with 569

NOTABLE ALUMNI

- Angelique Reyes '20 | Monroe College
- Kandey Torres '22 | Harcum College



