

MARQUETTE VOLLEYBALL MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the Marquette Volleyball program is provide an environment where young men and women can reach their academic, athletic, and personal potential, both at Marquette and after high school. We believe that through the values of the program, student athletes will develop the life skills to be successful.

Marquette Volleyball Core Values:

- Academics before athletics: We stress that to participate in the volleyball program student athletes must be in good standing in all classes.
- Be prepared and be on time: There are very few things in life and athletics that one has complete control over, two of which are individual preparation and being on time.
- Service and community: Student athletes are pushed to put the volleyball team and school community before themselves, often asked, “What can you do to make us better?” The “us” in the question can be the team, school, or outside community.
- Growth through competition: competition can drive one to achieve at their highest level. Developing one’s competitive drive will lead to success on more than the volleyball court.
- Integrity and Honesty: Do what is right even when it is tough and be honest with teammates, coaches, trainers, and family.
- Attention to detail: As soon as student athletes walk in the gym they are required to pay attention to all details that go into a successful practice or match.
- Personal accountability: Student athletes as well as coaches are held responsible for the decisions they make. Whether the outcome of the decision is positive or negative, we own our decisions. Student athletes set the goals for the year and the plan for how to achieve those goals.
- Winning is a result of “buying in” to the program values.

Our role as coaches is to guide student athletes through the development of these values by developing relationships with our student athletes that allow for trust and respect. We must be patient, supportive, and listen but also be clear and honest with our expectations and decisions. We also expect to perform well in matches and push the student athlete out of their comfort zones to achieve success.