

**Academic Support & Student Services**

**DATE:** August 15, 2025

**TO:** Members of the Faculty

**FROM:** Grace Frederickson, Director of Student-Athlete Academic Services

**SUBJECT:** Excused Student-Athlete Absences

To participate in intercollegiate athletic competition, it will be necessary for members of the **Volleyball** team to miss class on the dates listed below for competition. Given this, VALPO student-athletes will personally deliver a current competition schedule to each of their professors at the beginning of the semester. It is hoped that this practice will encourage increased faculty-student interaction in our continuing effort to improve the academic achievement of student-athletes. The VALPO Athletics Department, coaching staff, and team members place great emphasis on student-athlete academic success.

In accordance with Article 3.3.2 of the Faculty Handbook (**Absences Due to Sporting Events)**, it is inevitable that conflicts will arise between class requirements and sporting events. These student-athletes are keenly aware that academics are their first priority. Further, they recognize their responsibility for speaking with faculty in the first week of the semester, or when their competition schedule is released to make arrangements, in advance, to make up any academic work, submit assignments on time, or complete tests or quizzes that may be missed as a result of competition or travel.

The student-athletes are capable and motivated students who are very concerned about their academic success. In support of this, during the fourth or fifth week of the semester, Academic Support and Student Services will request an Academic Report, for the student-athletes in your class to obtain your feedback and suggestion regarding their academic success.

I would appreciate any consideration to the student-athlete for classes missed due to travel and competition representing Valparaiso University. If you would like to update us on a student-athlete’s performance in your class or you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via email at [grace.frederickson@valpo.edu](mailto:grace.frederickson@valpo.edu) or phone at (502) 528-0134. Thank you for your time and consideration. In addition, I encourage you to come and support VALPO Athletics. GO BEACONS!!!

*By signing below, you are acknowledging that the student athlete has provided you with his/her team’s travel schedule showing dates of classes to be missed.*

| **Instructors Name** | **Class Name & Section** | **Class Day & Time** |
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**Fall 2025 Volleyball Team Members**

Kadence Brumitt

Claire Campbell

Drew Glaser

Danica Goch

Jordyn Gove

Caden Harretos

Ava Helming

Emma Hickey

Addy Kois

Mia Liberti

Keira Lucas

Lindley Martin

Lilly Merk

Maddie Moan

Jessica Pickett

Kendal Ramey

Alexa Stefanovich - Manager

Mara Thomas

Olivia Wagner

Sam Warren

**Fall 2025 Volleyball Competition & Travel Schedule**

| **Competition Date/ Opponent** | **Location** | **Reporting/Departure Date/Time** | **Return Date/Time** |
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| 8/29/25 - 8/30/25 - USI, St. Louis, NKU | Evansville, IN | 8/28/25 - 12:00pm | 8/30/25 - 8:00pm |
| 9/4/25 - 9/5/25 - EMU, PFW, Niagra | Ypsilanti, MI | 9/3/25 - 12:00pm | 9/5/25 - 8:00pm |
| 9/9/25 - Northwestern | Evanston, IL | 9/9/25 - 10:00am | 9/9/25 - 11:00pm |
| 9/12/25 - 9/13/25 - Lehigh Tournament | Bethlehem, PA | 9/10/25 - 1:00pm | 9/14/25 - 2:00pm |
| 9/19/25 - 9/20/25 - Western Illinois, Chicago State, Missouri | Maccomb, IL | 9/18/25 - 12:00pm | 9/20/25 - 5:00pm |
| 9/26/25 - Drake | Valparaiso, IN | 9/26/25 - 2:00pm | N/A |
| 10/3/25 - Illinois State  10/4/25 - Bradley | Normal, IL  Peoria, IL | 10/2/25 - 6:00pm | 10/4/25 - 11:00pm |
| 10/7/25 - UIC | Chicago, IL | 10/7/25 - 10:00am | 10/7/25 - 11:00pm |
| 10/17/25 - Belmont | Valparaiso, IN | 10/17/25 - 2:00pm | N/A |
| 10/21/25 - UIC | Valparaiso, IN | 10/21/25 - 2:00pm | N/A |
| 10/31/25 - Indiana State  11/1/25 - Evansville | Terre Haute, IN  Evansville, IN | 10/30/25 - 5:00pm | 11/1/25 - 11:00pm |
| 11/7/25 - Belmont  11/8/25 - Murray State | Nashville, TN  Murray, KY | 11/6/25 - 8:00am | 11/9/25 - 3:00am |
| 11/14/25 - Illinois State | Valparaiso, IN | 11/14/25 - 2:00pm | N/A |
| 11/23/25 - MVC Tournament | TBA | TBA | TBA |

**Actual Missed Classes:**

Thursday, August 28th (after noon)

Friday, August 29th

Wednesday, September 3rd (after noon)

Thursday, September 4th

Friday, September 5th

Tuesday, September 9th (after 10am)

Wednesday, September 10th (after 1pm)

Thursday, September 11th

Friday, September 12th

Thursday, September 18th

Friday, September 19th

Friday, September 26th (after 2pm)

Thursday, October 2nd (after 6pm)

Friday, October 3rd

Tuesday, October 7th (after 10am)

Friday, October 17th (after 2pm)

Tuesday, October 21st (after 2pm)

Thursday, October 30th (after 5pm)

Friday, October 31st

Thursday, November 6th

Friday, November 7th

Friday, November 14th (after 2pm)