

## 2020 Women's Age-Grade Program Descriptions & Purpose

## HIGH SCHOOL ALL-AMERICANS

Serves as the initial entry point for young players emerging through the development pathway and is one of the two primary catchment points. High School All-Americans run programming regionally in order to identify, verify and develop players locally and then from there select athletes for centralized assemblies. Players who enter the High School All-American program are not specific to 7s or XVs and can participate in events for either discipline.

Athletes are primarily selected from Regional Cup Tournaments across the country. However, the following other events are also scouted:

- Los Angeles 7s
- Tropical 7s
- NAI 7s
- High School Club & Single School Championships

Nominations can also be submitted at <u>hiperforms.com/member/login</u>.

For 2020, GHSAA will consider players born in 02, 03 and 04.

For more information, please contact Director & Head Coach Martha Daines at <a href="maines@usa.rugby">mdaines@usa.rugby</a>.

## **UNDER-20s**

The pinnacle program for players emerging from the Girls High School All-American program and for High Performing (Age eligible) freshman and sophmores. Under-20s also identify high performing freshmen that enter the game at the Collegiate level. The program will compete internationally on an annual basis, naming a High Performance Squad early in the year and adding to that as players perform at Under-18 events, Regional Cup Tournaments and Collegiate Championships. The U20s program is currently XVs specific.

Athletes are primarily selected from Regional Cup Tournaments, high school club & single school, collegiate programs and national championship events across the country.

Nominations can also be submitted at hiperforms.com/member/login.

For 2020, the Under-20s program will consider players born after September 1 in 1999 and players born in 2000 & 2001.

For more information, please contact Head Coach Ricardo Ramirez at <a href="mailto:rramirez@usa.rugby">rramirez@usa.rugby</a>.

## **COLLEGIATE ALL-AMERICAN PROGRAM**

Serves as a critical bridge for players that are rising from the U20 program, showing high potential at the Collegiate level; and for players already in the senior High Performance Squad or Extended Squad that may not gain a senior representative selection. The goal of the CAA program is to provide competition development opportunities and identify, track and develop "late arrivers" to the game that find rugby in college. The Collegiate All-American program operates across both 7s and XVs.

Athletes are primarily selected from collegiate programs and national championship events across the country. Nominations can also be submitted at <a href="https://hiperforms.com/member/login">hiperforms.com/member/login</a>.

For more information please contact Head Coach Katie Dowty for XVs at <a href="kdowty@usa.rugby">kdowty@usa.rugby</a> or Head Coach Dave Clancy for sevens at <a href="kdowty@usa.rugby">dclancy@usa.rugby</a>.