



24 Hour Fitness and San Diego Wave FC Continue Celebrating Excellence in Coaching

Four outstanding Southern California high school coaches to receive cash awards, gym memberships, and recognition for shaping the next generation of athletes

SAN DIEGO, California (26 September 2025) – San Diego Wave FC and 24 Hour Fitness will once again take the pitch during the home stretch of the season to celebrate four Southern California high school coaches whose leadership extends far beyond the sidelines.

Selected from nominations submitted by peers, athletes, and community members, the honorees — Nick Johnston (Rancho Buena Vista High School Boys Waterpolo), Nicky Geis (SET High School Girls Basketball) Miguel Barragan (Oceanside High School Girls Varsity Soccer), Elliott Cutcliffe (Bostonia Global High School Girls Volleyball and Softball)— represent the very best of high school sports. Their dedication to building resilient athletes, promoting healthy living, and uplifting their communities continues to set a standard for excellence both on and off the field.

Each coach will receive a \$1,000 grant to support their school's athletic program and a one-year 24 Hour Fitness membership to help maintain their own health and wellness. The recognition will take place live during the Wave's halftime on-field experience, with Karl Sanft, CEO of 24 Hour Fitness, personally shining a spotlight on the coaches shaping tomorrow's leaders.

"At 24 Hour Fitness, we see every day how the right coach can transform lives," said Sanft. "These honorees are doing more than leading teams toward a strong finish. They are teaching their athletes resilience, discipline, and confidence that will guide them for a lifetime."

"The Wave's mission is rooted in building stronger communities through sport," said Alyssa Haynes, Head of Corporate Partnerships at San Diego Wave FC. "We are proud to continue this partnership with 24 Hour Fitness in honoring coaches who inspire athletes and families across Southern California."

For more information about 24 Hour Fitness and its programs, visit www.24hourfitness.com.

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About 24 Hour Fitness

For more than 40 years, 24 Hour Fitness has been dedicated to creating a healthier, happier world through fitness. 24 Hour Fitness offers welcoming and inclusive environments with thousands of square feet of premium strength and cardio equipment, turf zones, free weights, functional training areas, and more. Members can choose from a variety of options such as studio and cycle classes, personal training, and innovative digital and virtual offerings to help them keep their minds and bodies fit. For more information about 24 Hour Fitness and its programs, visit 24hourfitness.com.

About San Diego Wave FC

San Diego Wave Fútbol Club was founded in 2021 and competes in the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL). The Wave quickly established itself as one of the world's premier clubs, making history by breaking the NWSL's single-game attendance record and reaching the playoffs in its inaugural season. The Club has continued to set new milestones, ranking #2 globally in women's soccer attendance in 2024. Dedicated to excellence on the field and meaningful impact off it, the Wave fosters strong connections within the San Diego community under the leadership of the Leichtman Levine Family. Wave FC plays its home matches at the state-of-the-art Snapdragon Stadium. For more information, visit sandiegowavefc.com

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