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Volleyball

Volleyball is my life. It became my passion in sixth grade. The first time I put my hands on the leather ball I was in love. I remember how proud I was when I served the ball over the net on the first try, and the coach congratulated me.

My first tryout was very nerve-wracking, but I ended up making a club team. I was so thrilled when I got my uniform and all the equipment that came along. I felt like a superstar.

My favorite moment or time on the court was when the regional team I made won the national championship. I remember the crowd was crazy, and the energy was flashing, and the energy was flowing, and we could smell victory! That was one of the greatest experiences and accomplishments of my life.

I go into this whole other world when I am in games. It's like the fire and will inside just come out, and I want to win. So I get pretty intense on the court. Some feelings have been hurt because of my competitiveness. I spend a good part of my time on the court when I'm healthy because the school coaches work us and club practice, also. Sometimes it gets old, but I never get tired of it. It is just so enjoyable.

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16 years old