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Netball America® Brings World-Class Sports Academy to Rock Hill, South Carolina August 23 & 24.

### INTERNATIONAL SPORTS ACADEMY OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES FOR PE TEACHERS, COACHES, ATHLETES AND SPONSORS

**Rock Hill, South Carolina, USA** – Netball America®, the largest Netball association in the USA with 90% women and girl participants, is thrilled to announce an action-packed [International Sports Academy](#).

This amazing opportunity will elevate the sporting experience and performance of athletes, umpires and coaches, regardless of sporting code, ability levels and suited for all ages. Participants will learn from an all-star lineup of presenters, including a World Series Baseball Champion – Brian Anderson, the G.O.A.T. of Netball (original women's basketball) – Gretel Bueta, a former Division 1 athlete and doctor in sport social work – Dr Marlene Holmes, as well as international rugby and soccer stars. The event also welcomes [volunteers](#) and [sponsors](#) who want to get behind women in sports.

“As a former basketball athlete and current Netball player who has played with the #1 team in the world for almost a decade, I’m so excited to be coming to the USA to share my experiences with you all”, Gretel Bueta.

#### Event Highlights:

- **Hands-On Workshops:** Choose from a variety of sessions such as decision making under pressure, showing up on competition day mentally and physically prepared and building a winning mindset.
- **Experience:** Dynamic warmups, offensive/defensive strategies and how world class athletes’ train.
- **Networking & Community Building:** Connect with fellow athletes, coaches, and industry leaders.
- **American Netball Team®:** Your opportunity to see the team train and how to be a part of it.
- **FREE Fitness & Agility Assessment:** Experience a cutting-edge AI-powered fitness and agility assessment, courtesy of TalentLockr. “Talentlockr is excited to partner with Netball America® to offer a smart, AI-powered development platform that enables schools, community programs and grassroots organizations to measure, track, and nurture youth athletic talent across all sports and not just at the elite level”, says Bryce Poisel, Talentlockr Managing Director.

#### Event Schedule:

- Saturday, August 23: 11:30 AM – 5:00 PM & Sunday, August 24: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- **Venue:** Rock Hill High School, 320 W Springdale Rd, Rock Hill, SC 29730
- **Leading up to this event,** Netball America® will be hosting FREE clinics for SC & NC PE teachers.

“We are proud Netball America® selected Rock Hill to launch their inaugural My Netball Academy. This is an incredible opportunity for local coaches, athletes and students to come out and experience how world class athletes train and play!” says Jordan McCraw, Visit York County.

“[Netball America®](#) is the premier Netball organization in the USA with over 50 member clubs in 33 States and Canada. This is a very exciting time to launch the first training of this kind in the USA that supports our newly launched [My Netball Academy App](#) bringing a USA netball curricula and pathway to coaches, umpires, teachers and students, in an effort to expand on the 20 million people who play Netball”, says CEO Sonya Ottaway.

Visit the [event website](#) for information and registration. Media Inquiries: [Info@NetballAmerica.com](mailto:Info@NetballAmerica.com)