

Level 8/9 Junior National Team Selection
May 15, 2021

Following the Level 8/9 JE Technical Sequence session at the 2021 Development Program National Championships, the following Men's Program members met to identify the 2021-2022 Level 8/9 Junior National Team athletes based off the approved selection procedures: <https://www.usagym.org/PDFs/Men/Mens%20Program%20Events/21devnationals/qualprocedures.pdf>.

- David Klein – MDPC Chairman
- Mike Serra – Junior National Coaching Staff / MPC Chairman
- Brett McClure - High Performance Director
- Seth Smart – Junior National Coaching Staff (Region 2)
- Kevin Preston – Junior National Coaching Staff (Region 7)
- Raj Bhavsar – Assistant Men's Development Program Coordinator (Voice/No Vote)
- Dusty Ritter – Men's Development Program Coordinator (Voice/No Vote)
- Jason Woodnick – Vice President of the Men's Program (Voice/No Vote)

I. Confirm automatic selections

Level 8 JE - 11 years (1):

Hayden Brown (SCATS)

Level 8 JE – 12 years (3):

Rahul Mandava (Cypress)

Maximus Kongabel (Lakeshore)

Jakson Kurecki (EVO)

Level 9 JE – 13 years (3):

Danila Leykin (WOGA)

Justin Park (North County)

Zac Myers (La Fleur's)

Level 9 JE – 14 years (3):

Jaden Bottarini (Gym Olympica)

Mason Heath (Cypress)

Oleksandr Shybitov (Lakeshore)

II. Review injury petition for Alex Deubler

Alex has been a member of the Junior National Team for the past three years. He submitted scores from the 2021 Liukin Invitational that displayed D scores well above the 14 year-old athletes who had not already been named to the JNT from his age division. Alex's Technical

Sequence score from 2019 (2020 Development Nationals were canceled) were among the top in his age division. It was decided that Alex has the ability to be a contributor to an international assignment in 2021 or 2022.

Motion: To accept Alex Deubler's injury petition and add him to the Level 9 - 14 year old Junior National Team through an open selection spot

Motion: Brett McClure

Second: Kevin Preston

Passed: 5-0

III. Remaining open selections

After reviewing final scores, D scores, and Technical Sequence scores for all age divisions, it was determined that the 11 & 14 year old age divisions were the stronger field compared to the 12 & 13 year old divisions.

Motion: To add Nixon Miles to the Level 8 – 11 year old Junior National Team through an open selection spot.

Motion: David Klein

Second: Brett McClure

Passed: 5-0

Motion: To add Hunter Reingold to the Level 8 – 11 year old Junior National Team through an open selection spot.

Motion: Mike Serra

Second: Seth Smart

Passed: 5-0

Motion: To add Grey Westmore to the Level 9 - 14 year old Junior National Team through an open selection spot.

Motion: Mike Serra

Second: Seth Smart

Passed 5-0