

MEN – #16 Phil Dalhausser / Nick Lucena (USA)

- USA is 1 of the 2 countries with the maximum of 4 Olympic teams (also BRA)
 - In addition to their 5th in 2016 in Rio, USA placed 5th in both World Championships played as a team (2017 and 2019)
 - USA gained berth by finishing 12th in Qualifying
 - Finishes during qualifying period (2, 25, 5, 17, 5, 9, 25, 5, 4, 17, 5, 4, 9, 9, 3, 9, 25)
 - Played 17 events, 4 semifinals, 2 medals (1 silver, 1 bronze)
 - 41-32 match record, 91-65 set record
 - 20-16 in pool play, 1-0 in Lucky Losers, 18-10 in bracket play, 1-3 in semifinals, 1-2 in Bronze medal match, 0-1 in Gold medal match
 - 37-3 when winning the first set, 4-27 when losing the first set, 2 losses by forfeit, 7-9 in third sets
 - Played 2 FIVB tournaments together in 2005 (finished 25th in both after having to play in the qualifier both times), then reunited in 2015
 - Entering Tokyo the duo has played 50 FIVB tournaments (9 golds, 7 silvers, 3 bronzes, 3 fourths)
 - On the AVP Tour the duo has played 54 times, winning 14 times, finishing second 6 times, and finishing third 7 times... the 14 wins ranks 7th all-time on the AVP, just one behind Adam Johnson / Karch Kiraly and three behind Jose Loiola / Kent Steffes
 - USA has a 40-34 record against the field... there are 3 teams they have played but never beaten (0-3 vs #1 NOR, 0-1 vs #8 BRA, 20-3 vs #14 LAT)
 - No team (male or female) with the combined age of USA has ever advanced to a semifinal on the FIVB Tour (currently 81y9m26d by John Hyden and Ryan Doherty in Kuala Lumpur 2019)
- This is the 4th Olympics for Dalhausser (won Gold in 2008 with Todd Rogers; finished 9th in 2012 with Rogers, finished 5th in 2016 with Lucena)... he and Jake Gibb become the first USA male players to compete in 4 beach volleyball Olympics
 - Dalhausser has played 130 FIVB tournaments prior to Tokyo, winning 38 times (29%) and winning a medal 68 times (52%)... he has played with 5 different partners (won 23 times with Todd Rogers in 58 events; won 9 times in 50 events with Lucena; won 6 times in 20 events with Sean Rosenthal; played once with Casey Jennings, finishing 2nd; played once with Adam Robertson finishing 25th)
 - Dalhausser's 38 career FIVB wins ranks 3rd all-time
 - Dalhausser had won at least 1 FIVB gold in 13 straight years, but hasn't won since 3/4/18
 - Dalhausser has a 13-3 match record in Olympics, including 8-1 in pool play
 - Dalhausser is striving to become the first USA men's player to win two beach volleyball Olympic medals
 - Dalhausser shares a birthday (Jan. 26) with Taylor Crabb
- This is the 2nd Olympics for Lucena (finished 5th in 2016 with Dalhausser)
 - Lucena has played 119 FIVB tournaments, winning 9 times (all with Dalhausser)...he has played with a total of 7 different partners on the FIVB... Lucena has advanced to the semifinals 32 times, and 22 of those have come with Dalhausser...Lucena is 16-6 in semifinal matches with Dalhausser, and 4-6 with all other partners
 - Lucena is the 6th USA men's player to compete in multiple beach volleyball Olympics
 - If Lucena wins the gold, he will become the oldest player (male or female) to win any FIVB event (currently John Hyden 41y8m15d)
 - In Lucena's first ever FIVB match (a qualifier), he and Dalhausser defeated Japan's Kentaro Asahi, who would go on to compete in two Olympics
 - The last tournament Lucena played (FIVB or AVP) with a partner other than Dalhausser was in Yokohama, Japan in July 2015 (advanced from qualifier and placed 9th)