THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION

The AAU is one of the largest non-profit volunteer organizations in the United States dedicated solely to the promotion and development of amateur sports. Established in 1888 by sports leaders who collectively became the first to define amateurism and create standards for amateur athletes in the country. The AAU continues to operate on the basic principles upon which the organization was founded: to maintain the mutual interests of its members while achieving and improving amateur sports.

BENEFITS OF THE AAU

- An opportunity to follow in the footsteps of former AAU athletes: Mark Spitz, Shaquille O'Neal, Keri Struggs, Chamique Holdsclaw, Greg Louganis, Ryan Klesko, Dan Gable, Carl Lewis, Jackie Joyner Kersee, and many others.
- Membership that includes insurance coverage.
- Ability to participate at the world famous ESPN Wide World of Sports, and other great facilities throughout the country.
- Travel, make new friends, continue education, and create unforgettable memories.
- Membership in an organization long recognized for its position in amateur sports.

Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA)

The AAU has partnered with PCA to become the first national sports organization to require all its coaches to obtain PCA Double-Goal Coach® training and certification. PCA will provide training at no cost. Please visit www.aausports.org in order to get more information on how you can become a PCA Double-Goal Coach.

SAY YES TO AAU!

Join millions of athletes, coaches, and volunteers across the country, as they strive to achieve their dreams as athletes and valued citizens of your communities.

WE MAKE IT EASY TO JOIN!

We make it easy by providing instant on-line registration. No more waiting for administrative paperwork to go through its cycle and the U.S. Postal service to deliver your membership. All you have to do is visit www.aausports.org and click on the "Join Now" icon and away you go. It's as easy as 1-2-3.

PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY:

The AAU Baton Twirling Program will provide for a maximum number of organized baton twirling activities while allowing each young athlete the opportunity to participate. It will allow for each athlete to recognize and embrace the value of organized sports and sportsmanship, while further developing their individual skills.

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INTERESTED IN SPORTS?

Then the AAU is for you! We have athletic programming in over 34 sports for athletes from 4 to 80 years of age and older, male and female, from Basketball to Wrestling, from Gymnastics to Baseball. We're one of the world's largest non-profit multi-sport organizations. Each year we sanction over 15,000 local, regional and national competitions.

"SPORTS FOR ALL, FOREVER"

The AAU offers National Championships in the various sports, sponsors the AAU Junior Olympic Games, the AAU James E. Sullivan Memorial Award along with the AAU Complete Athlete Program. Two of the AAU's flagship programs, which are administered for the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports are the President's Challenge and the Presidential Sports Award.

LOOKING FOR A CLUB TO JOIN?

The AAU makes it easy for you to find a club or team in your area. Go to www.aausports.org, click on "My Child Wants to Play AAU Sports" icon and follow the instructions. This program allows coaches to find athletes in their area interested in joining their club or team.

HOW CAN YOU LEARN MORE?

The AAU has developed a dynamic website at www.aausports.org, where you can view up to date AAU news stories, event listings, membership information, individual sport websites and much, much more. It also includes information on events located at the ESPN Wide World of Sports, the home of the Amateur Athletic Union.





AAU JAMES E. SULLIVAN AWARD

Known as the "Oscar" of sports awards, and older than The Heisman, the AAU Sullivan Award honors the outstanding amateur athlete in the United States. It has been presented annually by the AAU since 1930 as a salute to founder and past president of the Amateur Athletic Union, and a pioneer in amateur sports, James E. Sullivan. Based on the qualities of leadership, character, sportsmanship, and the ideals of amateurism, the AAU Sullivan Award goes far beyond athletic accomplishments and honors those who have shown strong moral character.

AAU BATON TWIRLING - EVENTS

QUALIFIERS

Up to date qualifier information can be found at www.aaubaton.org. If your District does not have a qualifier listed, please contact Jennifer Miles, AAU Baton Sr. Sports Manager, at jennifer@aausports.org.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The AAU Baton Twirling National Championships are held in conjunction with the AAU Junior Olympic Games. Baton competitors must compete and qualify at an AAU District or Regional Championship in each event they wish to be eligible in order to compete at the AAU National Championship. Qualifier information can be found at www.aubaton.org.

2012 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS Please Note Dates are Subject to Change

Location: Houston, TX

Dates: Monday, July 30th (first day of check-in)
Competition: July 31st – August 3rd, 2012
Location: George R. Brown Convention Center

Complete information and entry details for the 2012 AAU Junior Olympic Games are available at www.aaujrogames.org

If your AAU District does not have a qualifier listed, please contact Jennifer Miles, AAU Baton Sr. Sports Manager, at jennifer@aausports.org.

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WHERE YOU BEGIN HAS EVERYTHING TO DO WITH WHERE YOU FINISH!

We've been raising champions for more than a century. Since 1888, the AAU has set the standard for amateur sports in the United States. 'Sports For All, Forever' has been our focus and drive for 123 years and counting. It is more than a motto – it is our vision for sports in the United States and throughout the world. And today we are proud to host more sporting events for more age divisions in more cities than any other organization in the world.

However, the AAU is not just about sports. For every athlete who attains professional sports status after the AAU, there are hundreds more who apply their AAU experience elsewhere. What our participants gain is much more valuable than athletic glory, much more important than any athletic achievement. Through participation in AAU sports programs athletes acquire the mental activity, emotional maturity, and social tools necessary to succeed in the classroom and in the world beyond.

We are raising tomorrow's leaders on today's playgrounds. No matter your sport, age, or experience level, there is a place for you in the AAU.

Congratulations on becoming a part of this tradition.

And remember, where you begin has everything to do with where you finish!

Why Should I Join AAU?

Our Membership is good for all of our 30+ sports

• For only \$12 for youth athletes, and \$14 for non-athletes, you can participate in any or all of our offered sports.





Places to Play

- The AAU believes that our events should be hosted at the best facilities. That is why we are partnered with the ESPN Wide World of Sports the premier multi-sport facility in the USA.
- Our National Championships take place in fun locations including but not limited to Orlando, FL; Virginia Beach, VA; Philadelphia, PA; Los Angeles, CA; Las Vegas, NV; Cocoa Beach, FL; and New Orleans, LA.

High Level of Competition

- The AAU is proud to have some of the best young athletes in the country competing in all of our 30+ sports.
- Former AAU athletes are now in the NBA, WNBA, MLB, as well as many Olympians.





Events

- The AAU has many types of events to offer: Local Invitational Tournaments, Leagues, Sports Festivals, District Championships, Super Regionals, Showcase Events, and National Championships.
 - O Whether you want to play close to home, or play across the country, the AAU can make it happen.
- AAU Junior Olympic Games
 - The largest youth multi-sport event in America with over 20 sports.
 - Current cities hosting: Des Moines, IA; New Orleans, LA;
 Virginia Beach, VA; Houston, TX; and Detroit, MI.

Ability to compete in front of a national audience

• ESPN, local channels, webcasting

www.aausports.org

Insurance

- Participant Insurance
 - Your AAU Membership comes with the benefit of secondary sports accident insurance in the event you are injured while competing or participating
- Practice and Event Insurance
 - Coverage Limit: \$10,000,000
 - Some areas covered: Commercial general liability, participant legal liability, fire damage to premise rented to you, and medical expenses.



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Famous Alumni

- Boys Basketball: Shaquille O'Neal, Dwight Howard, Larry Bird, Lebron James, Kobe Bryant
- Girls' Basketball: Nykesha Sales, Candace Parker, Chamique Holdsclaw
- David Wright, B.J. Upton, Baseball: Prince Fielder, Matt La Porta
- Track & Field: Jeremy Wariner, Darnell Hall, Florence Griffith-Joyner
- Sullivan Award Winners: Michael Phelps, Carl Lewis, Bonnie Blair, Robert T. Jones, Jackie Joyner-Kersey, Mark Spitz, Peyton Manning, and many more.





Getting Started in AAU Sports

1. AAU Club Membership

Each organization must be a registered AAU Club. You can have more than one team within the same club. Club membership can be completed instantly online at www.aausports.org by clicking on JOIN AAU. Youth club membership fees are \$30 (Club Level 1), \$60 (Level 2), or \$300 (Level 3). Visit www.aausports.org for a list of benefits for each club level. Club membership is valid September 1 to August 31.

2. AAU Individual Membership

To participate in the AAU, all athletes and coaches must be individual members of the AAU. As a member, you can participate in any sport in the AAU. Youth athlete membership is \$12 per athlete. Non-athlete (coach, volunteer, official) membership is \$14. A benefit of AAU membership is sports accident and general liability coverage. For an additional \$2, participants can purchase an extended benefit (AB) membership which extends coverage when participating in non-AAU events. For complete information on insurance, visit www.aausports.org and click on the insurance overview tab.

All AAU Non-Athletes will also be required to obtain PCA Double-Goal Coach® training and certification. The AAU National Office is happy to announce to its members, that this Coaches' Education is FREE for all AAU Non-Athletes. This exciting program is MANDATORY for all AAU Non-Athletes and will be administered by Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA). Please visit www.aausports.org and click JOIN NOW in order to enter and take the MANDATORY AAU/PCA coaches' educational course. Membership may be revoked from non-athletes who do not complete course prior to competition.

To become a member, you can register instantly online at www.aausports.org. By using the internet for registering, you will instantly be able to print your own membership card and start participating immediately! Be sure to register as a club first so you can enter your club code when registering individuals. Individual membership is valid September 1 to August 31.

3. Hosting AAU Tournaments and Leagues

As an AAU Club Level 2 or 3, you can apply for an event sanction to host your own tournaments or leagues. Event Sanction fees are \$50 for a youth event per day maxing out at \$350 (Fees Cap after a maximum of 7 days). Visit our website www.aausports.org, click over on the right in the dark grey box with yellow letters on Event Sanctioning to submit an event sanction application or for more information on sanctioning an event with the AAU.

Sanctioning your event with AAU has many benefits.

- The resources of a multi-million dollar organization while maintaining administrative control of your event
- The AAU nationally recognized brand and logo
- Multi-million dollar insurance program
- Marketing opportunities with AAU members
- AAU ribbons, medals and banners
- Established and recognized sport rules
- Local and national websites to promote your event
- Convenient online services

While submitting your event sanction you can also request Event Third Party Certificates for your facilities if they require them (fees apply).

4. Local District Directors

Your local District Director can provide you with additional information regarding other teams and tournaments in your area. If there is not a Director in your area and you are interested in developing a program in your District, please contact the AAU National Office at 407-934-7200. Also, visit the sport specific website for your sport by going to www.aausports.org and clicking your sport from the drop-down menu.

5. Insurance and Insurance Certificate Program

As an AAU registered Club you have access to our insurance certificate program. This program offers a verification of insurance for the club, third party practice, event, extended benefit and sponsor certificates. Please visit www.aausports.org and click on the insurance overview tab for a more comprehensive explanation of the entire insurance program as well as information on the AAU insurance certificate program.

How Much Does It Really Cost to Become an AAU Member? What is the Value? Apples to Apples or Apples to Oranges?

Some people will try to tell you that it is very expensive to join AAU. After all, the best always costs the most, right? Wrong. Whether you are a player, a coach, a facility-owner, or an event-operator, there is no better value in sports than AAU.

Before you decide with which organization you are going to affiliate, do your homework. Here are some things you may want to check out.

One Club Membership, Many Teams

In the AAU, your organization can register all your teams in all age groups under one club for as little as \$30. Ask any other organization that you are considering whether theirs is a 'club' membership that includes all teams, or if each team needs a separate membership.

Protect Yourself, Protect Your Club

The many benefits of being an AAU member include the opportunity to play in AAU events, seek an AAU national title, and host AAU events. And, each of your members automatically receives at no extra charge accident and general liability insurance. With every participant in your club having membership in AAU, you are assured you and every one of your players are protected. For athletes, membership is as low as \$12. For \$2 more, an Extended Benefit membership is available. That Extended Benefit membership follows you to non-AAU events, including the insurance benefit. Membership for coaches is \$14, or \$16 for the Extended Benefit.

Ask the other organizations what benefits are included in their fee structure. What events do they offer? If they provide you with insurance coverage, ask how you prove a player is in your club if a claim is filed, and if you add a new participant after you register your club for the first time, how does that participant get added to the policy?

The insurance that you are given with your AAU membership covers damage to premises rented by you, sexual abuse allegations, dental injuries, protection for your volunteers, officials, event operators, and sponsors, and so much more. Be sure to ask the provider of whatever insurance you carry as a team exactly what coverage you have. Be proactive; don't wait until a claim is filed to find out.

This is YOUR Organization

Membership governs the AAU. As an AAU member, you participate in the election of your leadership from the district through the executive level. This allows you to make changes in the state/district/national officials if you are unhappy with the way the organization is being run. With a Club Level 2 or 3 membership, your club can sanction and host AAU events for only \$50/day with a \$350 cap on events that are more than seven days (youth only events). An additional \$20 fee will be added for youth and adult events totaling \$370. Your club can also become a tax-exempt, non-profit organization under the AAU umbrella with a Club Level 3 membership. Ask other organizations whether you get a voice in the leadership of their program. Ask if you can host your own events under their organization and if so, what is the total cost? Ask if you can become a 501(c)3 non-profit under them. In fact, ask if *they* are a non-profit organization.

The Bottom Line

For a club with 50 youth athletes and 6 coaches, the total cost of membership in the AAU is as low as \$684 including your insurance, ability to participate in all events, a voice in your governance, and all the other outstanding benefits AAU brings you. Memberships are valid September 1 to August 31.

Apples or Oranges?

When you consider everything that is included with an AAU membership vs. what other organizations offer, there is simply no comparison. The "best" is actually *less* expensive than "the rest".

Sport

Athlete Membership



Extended Benefit Membership extends insurance coverage for certain Non AAU programs as defined by AAU

	Regular Youth Membership	Extended Benefit Youth Membership
Aerobics	\$12	\$14
Athletics	\$12	\$14
Badminton	\$12	\$14
Baseball	\$12	\$14
Basketball (Boys & Girls)	\$12	\$14
Baton Twirling	\$12	\$14
Bowling	\$12	\$14
Chinese Martial Arts	\$12	\$14
Dance	\$12	\$14
Diving	\$12	\$14
Field Hockey	\$12	\$14
Flag Football	\$12	\$14
Football/Cheer	\$12	\$14
Golf	\$12	\$14
Gymnastics	\$12	\$14
Ice Hockey	\$12	\$14
Inline Hockey	\$12	\$14
Judo	\$12	\$14
Jump Rope	\$12	\$14
Karate	\$12	\$14
Lacrosse	\$12	\$14
Physically Challenged	\$12	\$14
Physical Fitness	\$12	\$14
Powerlifting	\$12	\$14
Soccer	\$12	\$14
Softball	\$12	\$14
Surfing	\$12	\$14
Swimming	\$12	\$14
Table Tennis	\$12	\$14
Tackle Football (up to age 14)	N/A	\$14
Taekwondo	\$12	\$14
Tennis	\$12	\$14
Trampoline & Tumbling	\$12	\$14
Volleyball	\$12	\$14
Water Polo	\$12	\$14
Weighlifting	\$12	\$14
Wrestling	\$12	\$14

Visit the website to purchase your AAU membership today at www.aausports.org.

The AAU membership year runs from September 1st to August 31st.

Sport

Athlete Membership



Extended Benefit Membership extends insurance coverage for certain Non AAU programs as defined by AAU

•	Regular Adult Membership	Extended Benefit Adult Membership
Aerobics	\$12	\$14
Baton Twirling	\$12	\$14
Bowling	\$12	\$14
Dance	\$12	\$14
Golf	\$12	\$14
Jump Rope	\$12	\$14
Swimming	\$12	\$14
Table Tennis	\$12	\$14
Tennis	\$12	\$14
Volleyball	\$12	\$14
Physically Challenged	\$12	\$14
Badminton	\$12	\$14
Athletics	\$22	\$25
Baseball (Men's & Women's)	\$22	\$25
Basketball (Men's & Women's)	\$22	\$25
Diving	\$22	N/A
Gymnastics	\$22	\$25
Softball	\$22	\$25
Surfing	\$22	\$25
Trampoline & Tumbling	\$22	\$25
Weighlifting	\$22	\$25
Field Hockey	\$22	\$27
Flag Football	\$22	\$27
Floorball	\$22	\$27
Inline Hockey	\$22	\$27
Soccer	\$22	\$27
Water Polo	\$22	\$27
Wrestling	\$22	\$27
Chinese Martial Arts	N/A	\$27
Judo	N/A	\$27
Karate	N/A	\$27
Taekwondo	\$22	N/A
Powerlifting	\$32	\$37

Sport	Non-Athlete Membership
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Non-athlete participation in the Youth or the Adult Program includes but is not limited to administrator, bench personnel, coach, instructor, manager, official, team leader, tournament director, volunteer, etc. of any age.

ALL \$14 Extended Benefit Youth Program \$16

Extended Benefit Membership extends insurance coverage for certain Non AAU programs as defined by AAU

Regular Adult Program Extened Benefit Adult Program

ALL

\$14

\$16



AAU Insurance Program Summary

AAU Insurance is a benefit of membership.

Club Membership insures practices and an event sanction insures competitions/clinics etc., Everyone participating must also have an individual AAU Athlete or Non Athlete Membership

<u>SPORTS ACCIDENT:</u> Coverage is provided for properly registered members that are injured during an approved event. Coverage is excess medical and becomes primary if there is no other coverage.

Excess Medical \$50,000

Deductible (can be removed or disappear with primary insurance) \$200

Accidental Death & Dismemberment \$10,000

Dental Insurance \$5,000

Who is insured? (The following categories include but are not limited to)

Athletes and Non-Athletes

Registered Members residing in foreign countries are covered while participating on U.S. Soil.

Covered events

Sanctioned Events: This is an event that has been applied for and received a sanction from the AAU of the U.S. Inc.

Supervised Practices for member clubs.

GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE	<u>LIMITS</u>
Each Occurrence - per club/team	Up to \$10,000,000
Aggregate - per club/team per year	Up to \$12,000,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	Up to \$10,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury	Up to \$10,000,000
Participant Legal Liability	Up to \$10,000,000
Damage to Premises Rented to you	\$1,000,000
Medical Expenses (any one person)	\$5,000
Sexual Abuse & Molestation - Each Occur	\$1,000,000
Sexual Abuse & Molestation - Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Crisis Management Coverage Sub-Limit	\$250,000
Participant vs. Participant	Up to \$1,000,000

Who is insured? (The following categories include but are not limited to)

Athletes and Non-Athletes

Member clubs/teams

Event organizers, promoters, sponsors and managers of AAU sanctioned events

Volunteers while acting in their capacity at an AAU sanctioned event

AAU of the USA. Inc.

AAU Districts, AAU Governors and Administrators, AAU Directors & Officers

Officials while acting in their capacity at an AAU sanctioned event

Spectators

Covered events

Sanctioned Events: This is an event that has been applied for and received a sanction from the AAU of the U.S. Inc.

Supervised Practices for member clubs.

EXTENDED COVERAGE (AB) INSURANCE PROGRAM

The Extended Coverage (AB) program was developed to extend coverage for AAU members while participating in events hosted by organizations that are not member clubs of the AAU. Coverage in this program is provided for properly registered athletes or non-athletes.

Sports Accident \$50,000

Liability Coverage

Up to \$10,000,000

Aggregate - per club/team per year

Up to \$12,000,000

*Extended Coverage (AB) Is not available in the sport of Adult Taekwondo

*Any organization that is a member of the AAU and hosts an event that is not sanctioned by the AAU would not have any coverage for the event, even if its members are AAU AB Registered.

VERIFICATION OF INSURANCE AVAILABLE

ALL INSURANCE CERTIFICATES ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.AAUSPORTS.ORG UNDER THE INSURANCE OVERVIEW TAB

<u>Verification of Insurance:</u> This document verifies the club has insurance coverage as defined by the AAU policy and extends the club's coverage to a third party (if accepted by the third party). Your specific club name will appear on the document. Free-Documents Available immediately.

THIRD PARTY/ADDITIONAL INSURED INSURANCE CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE

ALL INSURANCE CERTIFICATES ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.AAUSPORTS.ORG UNDER THE INSURANCE OVERVIEW TAB

This program is designed to provide member clubs the ability to obtain certificate(s). The fee structure is based on requesting the third party/additional insured certificate(s) at least 30 days before coverage start date or incurring an expedite fee

Fee Structure	Fee	Expedite Fee	Total
Start Date is 31 + days from today	\$35	NA	\$35
Start Date is 16-30 days from today	\$35	\$65	\$100
Start Date is 0-15 days from today	\$35	\$100	\$135

For the fees listed above, you may request up to 200 third party/additional insured certificate(s) in one transaction. If you do not list all requests on your initial submission, there will be a \$25.00 transaction fee each time you return to list additional requests. For each facility/entity over 200 there is a \$10.00 per facility/entity fee.

PRACTICE CERTIFICATES: Fees apply. This certificate extends coverage for members during practice and practice only. The practice must be scheduled & supervised by an AAU non-athlete member. It specifically names the third party/additional insured, confirms the club has coverage as defined by the AAU policy and extends the club's coverage to the third party/additional insured. (This certificate is applicable where needed for CG 2026 1185).

Available 2 hours after certificate request

EVENT CERTIFICATES: Fees apply. This certificate extends coverage for activities such as leagues, tournaments, clinics and other events approved by the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, Inc. There must be a sanction number relative to this event. Sanctions may take up to 16 days for approval. It specifically names the third party/additional insured, confirms the club has coverage as defined by the AAU policy and extends the club's coverage to the third party/additional insured. (This certificate is applicable where needed for CG 2026 1185).

Requested certificates available 2 hours after sanction approval

SPONSOR: Fees apply. This certificate extends coverage to a benefactor or donor who supports a member club. The sponsor name will appear on the certificate(s). It confirms the club has coverage as defined by the AAU policy and extends the club's coverage to the third party/additional insured.(This certificate is applicable where needed for CG 2026 1185).

Available 2 hours after certificate request

EXTENDED COVERAGE (AB) CERTIFICATE: Fees apply. This certificate is for AAU member clubs while participating in events hosted by organizations that are not member clubs of the AAU. These non-AAU events include leagues, tournaments, clinics, etc. This certificate must be obtained by an AAU member club. This certificate insures the named third party in regards to the AAU member club's sole negligence. The entire competing team and coach (non-athlete) must be AAU AB members. If you are a member of the AAU in the AB category and conduct an event that is not sanctioned by the AAU, you forfeit your rights of AB coverage for said event.

Available 2 hours after certificate request



This brochure is only a brief description of the coverage available under the AAU Policies. The policies may contain reductions, limitations, exclusions and termination provisions. If there is a conflict between the contents of this document and the policy, the terms and conditions of the policy will govern in all cases.

Hosting an AAU Event

Review the AAU Sport Handbooks - Review the AAU Sport Handbooks for guidelines and rules. A current copy of the Handbooks can be downloaded from the webpage at www.aausports.org by using the sport menu located at the top of the homepage and selecting your sport.

Contact the AAU Sports Manager or AAU National Chair - Please visit www.aausports.org for a detailed listing of AAU Sports Managers and AAU Sport National Chairs.

You can also contact the AAU National Headquarters at (407) 934-7200 for further information.

AAU Club Membership - Register on-line at www.aausports.org and click on JOIN AAU.

Club Membership is necessary to apply to sanction an AAU Event. Other benefits of joining as a club include receiving AAU mailings, event notifications, membership certificate, voting rights in AAU elections and club practice insurance.

Individual Athlete/Coach Membership - To participate in an AAU sanctioned event, each athlete and coach must be members of the AAU. AAU membership is \$12 per youth athlete and \$14 per non-athlete (coach). As a member of the AAU, you can participate in any of the 30+ sports offered by the AAU.

The membership year is from **September 1**st **through August 31**st. Membership must be renewed each year to be valid.

AAU membership provides each member with sports accident insurance for all properly sanctioned AAU events and supervised practices. For specific details on insurance coverage, please refer to the current insurance brochure located on our web site.

To become a member, go to www.aausports.org and click on JOIN AAU.

AAU Sanction Application Form - A sanction is written approval by the AAU to authorize registered athletes to participate in a specific competition or exhibition. No event is an official AAU event unless the host has obtained an AAU sanction prior to the start of the event. Sanctions are mandatory if you plan to host an AAU event. Instructions for completing and submitting a sanction application and fees are located on our homepage www.aausports.org. Located on the right-hand menu, click "Event Sanctioning". You will need to have a valid club code and individual membership ID of the club contact to submit an event sanction. If you need further assistance, please call 407-934-7200.

All participants in AAU sanctioned events must be individual members of the AAU. As the club sanctioning the event, it is YOUR responsibility to verify that everyone participating in your event is a current AAU member.



Hosting an AAU Event

The AAU Brand and benefits are the perfect tools for event directors to use to ensure a successful event. Planning and advertising are the keys to your events' success. Plan ahead; submit your sanction application in a timely manner to enable participants to schedule and make travel plans to attend.

To Submit an Event Sanction Application

After obtaining a club level 2 or 3 and an individual non-athlete membership for the contact listed on the club, go to www.aausports.org. On the right you will find a box with yellow lettering; click on Event Sanctioning/Event Sanction Application. You may choose a logo or provide your own. Choose a flyer template or upload your own flyer. All approved event sanctions are posted on our find an event site where more than 10 million viewers have access to your event information.

Order AAU Medals and Awards

As a benefit of sanctioning your tournament through the AAU, you can order AAU medals and ribbons. To order awards, you must submit to the AAU National Headquarters: (1) Awards Application (2) Tournament Flyer (3) Signed Copy of the Approved Sanction (4) Appropriate Fees.

Championship Medals are available for association and regional championships for \$6.32 per set (includes 1 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze medal). Sports for All Medals are available for invitational, league, open, or preliminary events. The cost is \$1.99 per medal (gold, silver or bronze). Ribbons are available for first through eighth place, plus merit. The price for ribbons is twenty-two (22) cents each. Orders must be received at the AAU National Headquarters at least 15 days prior to the event. Orders received less than 15 days prior to the event will be assessed a \$40.00 late fee. A shipping and handling fee of 10% of the total will be charged to each order less than \$1000. Orders \$1000 or more will be charged 5%. In addition, if the order requires next day shipping or 2-day shipping, you must pay the shipping cost via credit card.

For complete information on AAU Awards, please refer to the Awards Application Form.

Claim Forms

In case of any incidents during your event, make sure you have copies of the AAU Claim Forms at the tournament. These forms should be completed and submitted to the address on the instruction page immediately after an incident. This holds true whether the person involved is a participant or spectator, or whether or not you feel the incident will result in a claim. Please follow all the directions on the form. Claim forms are available at www.aausports.org under the Insurance Overview Tab.









ATTENTION Team Administrators, Club Directors, and Coaches!



Get the tools you need to help your youth athletes improve!

The AAU National Office is happy to announce to its members, *FREE Coaches' Education* for all AAU Non-Athletes. This exciting program will be administered by Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA), using their Double-Goal Coach® Online Course, which helps coaches pursue their first goal, winning, while pursuing the second, more-important goal of teaching life lessons through sports.

Free to AAU Non-Athlete Members!

Welcome to the Positive Coaching Alliance Online Learning Center! Membership Number ZipCode: Thank you for accessing the coaches course. In order to continue, you will need to use a 2011 AAU membership. Please click here to obtain one. Then return and continue with the course. Get Help or call 650-209-8064 for assistance.

Use your Membership Number and Zip Code to Sign-in.

Learn to use powerful coaching tools based on the latest research in sports psychology that reflects the "best practices" of elite coaches and athletes, including Los Angeles Lakers Head Coach Phil Jackson, Boston Celtics Head Coach Doc Rivers, Naismith Hall of Fame

basketball coaches Dean Smith and Larry Brown, former Kansas City Chiefs Head Coach Herm Edwards just to name a few.

Please Note:

The Positive Coaching Alliance Coaches' Education is mandatory.

All registered non-athletes will take this free course as part of gaining membership into the AAU. The AAU is proud to be a leader in the youth sports market and looks forward as being the trendsetter in coach education in years to come.

To register for either **Double-Goal Coach I:** Coaching for Winning and Life Lessons or **Double-Goal Coach II:** Culture, Practices and Games,

go to: http://aausports.org/Partners/PositiveCoachesAlliance.aspx.