

# \* PLAN THE ULTIMATE DISNEY SPORTS VACATION \*

Did you know? AAU membership includes magical perks at *Walt Disney World®* Resort! From complete sports travel packages to special savings on admission to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex and the world-class Disney theme parks, the ultimate Disney sports vacation awaits for AAU members.

TRAVEL PACKAGES • DISNEY RESORT HOTELS • SPECIALLY-PRICED THEME PARK TICKETS • LENGTH OF EVENT TICKETS SAVINGS

# STAY AS A TEAM, PLAY AS A TEAM WITH A DISNEY SPORTS TRAVEL PACKAGE

Take your sports vacation to the next level with incredible travel packages offered through Disney Sports Travel. Your team will enjoy all of the benefits of staying together at a themed Disney Resort Hotel, which includes complimentary resort and airport transportation, along with admission to the world-class Disney theme parks. In addition, Disney Sports Travel Counselors are your one-stop-shop for everything Disney, providing helpful vacation planning tips and information on *Walt Disney World*® Resort Theme Parks, dining, entertainment, recreation and more.

# EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF THE DISNEY THEME PARKS

Step away from competition and onto thrill rides, take to the waves at water parks, and marvel at nighttime specatculars with specially –priced *Walt Disney World*® Theme Park tickets. Your team can celebrate off the field with adventurous attractions like Soarin® at *Epcot*® or Twilight Zone Tower of Terror™ at *Disney's Hollywood Studios*®. And now you can fly on the back of a Banshee, navigate into the bioluminescent rainforest, and hike under the floating mountains at Pandora: The World of Avatar in *Disney's Animal Kingdom*® Theme Park.

# BENEFITS ABOUND FOR GROUPS AT DISNEY RESORT HOTELS

Planning accommodations for your team is a breeze with a new, online group reservation system. Book rooms at select Disney Resort Hotels and enjoy special benefits, including early access to *FastPass+* planning; extended theme park hours; complimentary resort transportation and parking; and complimentary *MagicBands*.

# SKIP THE LINE! PURCHASE EVENT ADMISSION IN ADVANCE

For guests who are not athletes or coaches participating in an event, an admission fee is required for entrance into ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. You now have the opportunity to purchase your ESPN Wide World of Sports admission passes in advance and have them either shipped or held at Will-Call. For the best value, take advantage of length-of-event admission tickets available for your event.

#### BOOK AN OFF-SITE HOTEL ROOM

Interested in staying at an off-property accommodation outisde of *Walt Disney World*® Resort? Find the perfect hotel rooms through our travel provider, Anthony Travel.

# **2018 AAU BOYS BASKETBALL**



## **ESPN WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS COMPLEX - ORLANDO, FLORIDA**

# **QUALIFY FOR NATIONALS**

**DATE OF EVENT:** Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

\*Games may begin at early as 12:00PM on Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

**LOCATION:** The HP Field House (Six court facility) and J Center (Six court facility) both located at the

spectacular ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex - 700 Victory Way, Kissimmee, FL 34747 - and other sites as needed. <u>Teams are not guaranteed to play any games at ESPN Wide World of</u>

Sports Complex as additional offsites may be used.

ENTRY FEE: \$450.00 | All entry fee payments will be made online. Registration, payment, and roster must

all be completed on PlayAAUHoops.

**ENTRY DEADLINE**: Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 11:59 PM EST | Openings are limited.

**SPECTATOR ADMISSION:** Daily admission will be available, \$18.50 per adult and \$13.50 per youth (ages 3-9). Spectator

Tickets are available, \$37.00 per adult and \$27.00 per youth. Tickets may be purchased at ESPN

Wide World of Sports Complex, Box Office. (Prices are subject to change)

Skip the line! You now have the opportunity to pre-order your ESPN Wide World of Sports admission passes by <u>CLICKING HERE</u>. By purchasing in advance, you will have the option of having the passes sent directly to you (time-sensitive) or picking them up at the ESPN Wide

World of Sports Main Entrance.

**THEME PARK INFORMATION:** Discounted theme park tickets are available by **CLICKING HERE**.

**HOUSING INFORMATION:** ONSITE: To stay and play at Walt Disney World® Resort you'll want to take advantage of your

time at the vacation kingdom. Call 1-800-743-9876 to make your reservations today!

**OFFSITE:** Interested in staying at an off-property hotel? AAU has selected Anthony Travel to help streamline your travel management efforts and provide competitive rates and amenities for you in the Orlando area. Hotel and apartment style accommodations are now available and guests

can book online CLICK HERE.

<u>TripMVP's</u> homes are hand-selected for their centralized locations. Enjoy game time accommodations in vacation homes, town homes and condos located just minutes to your sporting event and a short drive to practice fields, arenas, attractions, restaurants and more.

Rest up in rental homes as close as 3 miles to Walt Disney World® Resort and 6 miles to ESPN

Wide World of Sports Complex.

**GRADE DIVISIONS:** The Easter Classic has separate Division I, Division II & Division III portions of the tournament.

The ages, grades, and ages/grades being contested at this event are:

9U - 10U - 11U - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade - 12U - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade - 13U - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade - 14U - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

15U/9<sup>th</sup> Grade – 16U/10<sup>th</sup> Grade – 17U/11<sup>th</sup> Grade – 19U/12<sup>th</sup> Grade

(To find out what division your team qualifies for refer to the AAU Boys Basketball Handbook)

#### **REGISTRATION:**

#### Friday, March 30th, 2018 at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex

A coach or bench personnel listed on the roster shall register the team **two (2)** hours prior to your first game. Each team shall bring with them an **"ELIGIBILITY BOOK"**.

## ATHLETES DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT AT REGISTRATION

An Aged-Based (i.e. 11U, 12U, etc.) teams' "ELIGIBILITY BOOK" must contain:

- 1. Copy of each athlete's Proof of Age (Birth Certificate or State Issued ID)
- 2. Copy of athlete's Proof of Grade (15U/9<sup>th</sup> 19U/12<sup>th</sup> Grade only if they are an exception).

A <u>Grade-Based (i.e. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, etc.)</u> team **"ELIGIBILITY BOOK"** must contain:

- 1. Copy of each athlete's Proof of Age (Birth Certificate or State Issued ID)
- 2. Copy of each athlete's Proof of Grade

The **"ELIGIBILITY BOOK"** may be requested to be seen by a member of the AAU Staff during the tournament. Failure to have proper documentation at registration or during the event may result in athlete or team disqualification. For More Information – see the <u>AAU Boys Basketball</u> Handbook Click Here

#### **COACH VERIFICATION:**

All coaches and bench personnel must be present and show government issued photo ID in order to receive credentials. **NO EXCEPTIONS. No coach's credentials or tournament passes will** be issued to coaches or bench personnel after the conclusion of pool play.

#### **SCHEDULES/RESULTS:**

Schedules and Results will be posted at <a href="www.aauboysbasketball.org">www.aauboysbasketball.org</a>. A pool play system will be used, leading to a Championship Bracket. Teams must play all scheduled games or penalties will be applied. <a href="Play may begin as early as 12 PM">Play may begin as early as 12 PM on Friday, March 30th</a>. If your team cannot meet the start times on Friday, please refrain from entering the tournament.

#### **RULES OF PLAY**:

Competition will follow the rules and regulations as specified in the AAU Boys Basketball Handbook.

#### **UNIFORMS:**

Players' jerseys must have numbers on both the front and back, numbers can be 00-99. Minimum size of numbers shall be 2" on the front and 4" on the back. Teams competing must have <u>LIGHT</u> and <u>DARK</u> jerseys. The Home team wears Light jerseys and Visitor wears Dark jerseys. The top/left team on the schedule shall be the home team and sit on the scorekeepers' left. The bottom/right team on the schedule shall be the visiting team and sit on the scorekeepers' right. <u>Violation of this rule shall be penalized by a two (2) shot administrative technical foul for each illegal jersey. The penalty will be assessed at the time the player with the illegal jersey enters the game.</u>

#### TEAM ROSTER:

AAU rules allow a maximum of 15 players and 4 coaches on the roster. Rosters must be submitted online. All participants and coaches must be members of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) for the current year. Membership can be obtained at <a href="https://www.aausports.org">www.aausports.org</a>.

### **ELIGIBILITY**:

Any questions pertaining to the eligibility of a player or team shall be directed to the Tournament Director or his/her designee in attendance.

AWARDS: AAU medals and trophies will be awarded to first (1) and second (2) place teams. AAU medals

and trophies will be awarded to first (1) and second (2) place teams. The top four (4) finishers in each high school ( $15U/9^{th}$ ,  $16U/10^{th}$ ,  $17U/11^{th}$ ,  $19U/12^{th}$ ) age/grade division will receive a bid into the 2018 AAU Boys Basketball National Championships. All other divisions receive a

conditional bit to the 2018 AAU Boys National Championships.

QUALIFICATION: Teams that earn a conditional bid must qualify for the National Championship through their

District Qualifying Tournament (DQT) to validate their bid.

WARM-UP & GAME BALLS: Basketballs are provided during warm-up sessions and games. <u>DO NOT</u> bring basketballs to games.

**COACHES EDUCATION:** The PCA Coaches Education Course is MANDATORY and FREE for all AAU Non-Athletes. Please

visit <a href="www.aausports.org">www.aausports.org</a> and click on 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.

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#### STATEMENT OF IMPORTANCE

The AAU cannot and does not guarantee the appearance and/or participation of specific participant(s) and/or teams (as applicable) in this event. The AAU has licensed (approved) this Event as an official AAU Event (competition), but the AAU is not and shall not be responsible for any participant's or spectator's expenses related to this Event (nor reimbursements for same) in case of dissatisfaction of any participant, friend, family, or spectator, this includes, but is not limited to all travel, hotel (lodging), food, entry fees and/or any other expenses related to the event.

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