

2017 AAU BOYS BASKETBALL

EASTER CLASSIC

ESPN WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS COMPLEX - ORLANDO, FLORIDA

QUALIFY FOR NATIONALS

- DATE OF EVENT:** Friday, April 14th – Sunday, April 16th, 2017
- 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. *Teams are not guaranteed to play any games at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex as additional offsites may be used.*
- 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 – 4th Grade – 11U – 5th Grade – 12U – 6th Grade – 13U – 7th Grade – 14U – 8th Grade
15U/9th Grade – 16U/10th Grade – 17U/11th Grade – 19U/12th Grade**
(To find out what division your team qualifies for refer to the AAU Boys Basketball Handbook)
- ENTRY FEE:** \$450.00 | All entry fee payments will be made online. Please visit www.aauboysbasketball.org
- ENTRY DEADLINE:** Monday, March 27th, 2017 at 11:59 PM EST | Openings are limited.
- REGISTRATION:** Friday April 14th (11:00AM – 9:00PM)at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex
Late Registration:
Saturday, April 15th (7:00AM – 12:00PM) at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex
A coach/bench personnel 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 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/9th – 19U/12th Grade only if they are an exception).
- A Grade-Based 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 [AAU Boys Basketball 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 www.aauboysbasketball.org. A pool play system will be used, leading to a Championship Bracket. Teams must play all scheduled games or penalties will be

applied. **Play may begin as early as 8 AM on Friday, April 14th**. 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, please visit www.aauboysbasketball.org and click on the Rules/Info tab, then Rules/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 **LIGHT** and **DARK** 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. **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.**

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 www.aausports.org.

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. The top four (4) finishers in each age/grade division in all tournaments will receive a CONDITIONAL bid into the 2017 AAU Boys Basketball National Championships.

QUALIFICATION:

Teams that qualify for the National Championship MUST play in their District Qualifying Tournament (DQT) to validate their bid.

WARM-UP & GAME BALLS:

Basketballs are provided during warm-up sessions and games. **DO NOT** bring basketballs to games.

SPECTATOR ADMISSION:

Daily admission will be available, \$18.00 per adult and \$13.00 per youth (ages 3-9). Spectator Tickets are available, \$36.00 per adult and \$26.00 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 [CLICKING HERE](#). 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.

HOUSING INFORMATION:

ONSITE: As a member of AAU, you receive special options to stay and play at *Walt Disney World® Resort*. From sports travel packages to special admission to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex, you'll want to take advantage of your time at the vacation kingdom. To book online [CLICK HERE](#) or call 407-WDW-SPORTS.

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 guest can book online [CLICK HERE](#)

THEME PARK INFORMATION:

Discounted theme park tickets are available by [CLICKING HERE](#). Contact the AAU National Staff at 407-934-7200 or email aubasketball@ausports.org for the Event Code.

COACHES EDUCATION:

The PCA Coaches Education Course is MANDATORY and FREE for all AAU Non-Athletes. Please visit www.aausports.org 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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