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AAU BOYS BASKETBALL 8TH & 9TH GRADE EAST COAST DIVISION III NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

HAMPTON, VA

JULY 29TH – AUGUST 2ND, 2013

- This event is sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic Union of the U. S., Inc.
- All participants must have a current AAU membership.
- AAU membership may not be included as part of the entry fee to the event.
- AAU membership must be obtained before the competition begins except where the event operator has a laptop available with an internet connect. Participants are encouraged to visit the AAU web site www.aausports.org to obtain their membership.



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HOSTED BY: BOO WILLIAMS SUMMER LEAGUE & THE HAMPTON CVB
BOO WILLIAMS SPORTSPLEX – HAMPTON, VA

COACHES INFORMATION

- DATES:** 8th Grade – JULY 29TH – AUGUST 1ST, 2013
9th Grade – JULY 30TH – AUGUST 2ND, 2013
- FACILITIES:** Boo Williams Sportsplex – 5 Armistead Pointe Parkway, Hampton, VA
- ENTRY FEE:** Division III - \$550.00
*Once a team enters the tournament refunds will not be given.
- ENTRY DEADLINE:** All materials must be **RECEIVED** via Online Registration by **WEDNESDAY, JULY 3RD, 2013**.
All participating teams must have a roster submitted online at www.auboysbasketball.org
Entry fees must be submitted via Online Roster System.
- SPECTATOR ADMISSION:** Daily admission will be available for \$13.00 per adult, \$11.00 per youth (ages 6-14) and under 5, free. A Length of Event pass will also be available for \$35.00 per adult, \$25.00 per youth (ages 6-14).
- OPENING CEREMONY:** No Opening Ceremony will be held.
- REGISTRATION:** 8th Grade - **MONDAY, JULY 29TH, 2013 at Boo Williams Sportsplex.** Teams must register 2 hours prior to their first scheduled game.
9th Grade – **TUESDAY, JULY 30TH, 2013 at Boo Williams Sportsplex.** Teams must register 2 hours prior to their first scheduled game.
Schedules will be posted at www.auboysbasketball.org. **COACHES AND ATHLETES MUST BE AT REGISTRATION.**
- COACH VERIFICATION:** All bench personnel must be present and show government issued photo ID in order to receive credentials. NO EXCEPTIONS
- COACHES' MEETINGS:** First coaches' meeting: 8th Grade Teams - **MONDAY, JULY 29TH, 2013 during registration.**
First coaches' meeting: 9th Grade Teams – **TUESDAY, JULY 30TH, 2013 during registration.**

Second coaches' meeting: 8th Grade Teams - **TUESDAY, JULY 30TH, 2013**
Second coaches' meeting: 9th Grade Teams – **WEDNESDAY, JULY 31ST, 2013.**
The second coaches meeting will be held in the tournament office 45 minutes after the last game concludes in your pool. The Head coach from each team is required to attend BOTH meetings. Penalty for failure of the Head Coach to attend is a one game suspension. Suspensions do NOT include forfeited games.

- ELIGIBLE TEAMS:** Only teams that have qualified through AAU Qualifying Procedures will be eligible to compete in the National Championships. (See 2013 Boys' Basketball Handbook at www.aaboysbasketball.org and click on Rules).
- RULES OF PLAY:** The National Championship Tournament will be played under the 2012-2013 National Federation of State High School Association rules, except where amended by the AAU Boys' Basketball Handbook. Please visit www.aaboysbasketball.org and click on the Rules/Info tab, then Rules/Handbook.
- SCHEDULES/RESULTS:** Schedules and Results will be posted at www.aaboysbasketball.org and will be emailed to each team that provides a valid email address in the Online Roster System.
- GAME FORMAT:** Four (4) 8 minute quarters – 5 minute halftime/warm-up – 4 minute overtime.
- TOURNAMENT FORMAT:** July 29 – Registration (8th Grade)/Pool Play
July 30 – Registration (9th Grade)/Pool Play
July 31 – Bracket Play (Championship or Classic)
August 1 – Bracket Play/Conclusion of Bracket Play (Championship or Classic) for 8th Grade
August 2 – Conclusion of Bracket Play (Championship or Classic) for 8th Grade
*Each team may play one game per day during pool play and one or two games a day during bracket play.
- BENCH RULES:** The home team will sit on the left side of the official scorekeeper, facing the table from the floor. A team may have on its bench only eligible players in uniform and four non-players. Violation of this rule shall result in a two shot technical foul. The violator will be removed from the bench. **At least one person age 18 or older must be on the bench at all times.**
- PRESS RULE:** Teams ahead by 30 points or more at any point in the second half must play defense behind their three-point arc. First offense: Warning, Second and all additional offenses: 2 shot technical.
- AWARDS:** Each athlete and registered coach on the top 4 finishing teams in the Championship Bracket will receive a finalist medal and a team trophy. Each athlete and registered coach on the top four finishing teams in the Classic Bracket will receive a finalist medal and a team trophy.
- ROSTER:** A team that qualifies for a National Championship may add a maximum of **three (3)** players to its District Roster for the purpose of participating in the National Championship. Additions must be made by the entry deadline date of the event. The total number of players designated to play in the National Tournament may not exceed fifteen (15) players. Athletes can be removed from the District Championship roster.
- Pick-up/replacement players listed on the roster are subject to the following restrictions:
These players must have been able to satisfy all eligibility requirements (regarding grade, age, residence, etc.) unless approved by the Eligibility Committee. Teams may not add players from the rosters of other teams advancing to the National Championship Tournament. A team advancing to a Division I National Championship may not add a player from another team advancing to a Div. I National Championship in the same age group without the written permission of the Eligibility Committee.
- For further clarification, please refer to the 2013 AAU Boys Basketball Handbook at www.aaboysbasketball.org (click on Rules/Info).**

GRADE DETERMINATION: **8th Grade** - An athlete must be in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2012 and can be no older than 15 on August 31, 2013. If an athlete wishes to play down a grade division, please verify if they are eligible based on the criteria in the Rule Book.

9th Grade - An athlete must be in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2012 and can be no older than 16 on August 31, 2013. If an athlete wishes to play down a grade division, please verify if they are eligible based on the criteria in the Rule Book.

ELIGIBILITY: Any questions pertaining to the eligibility of a player or team shall be directed to the National Chair or his designee in attendance. No member of the local Tournament Committee shall have the authority to rule on eligibility. The AAU Boys' Basketball Eligibility Committee will handle all of these matters.

TEAM DOCUMENTATION: Each team MUST present "**ELIGIBILITY MATERIALS**" for review. All bench personnel must be present and show government issued photo ID in order to receive credentials. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** The "**ELIGIBILITY MATERIALS**" must contain:

1. Copy of the team AAU Online Roster to be used at the event.
2. Copy of each athlete's Proof of Grade.
3. Copy of each athlete's Proof of Age.

The "**ELIGIBILITY MATERIALS**" will be collected at your assigned registration time for review by a member of the AAU Tournament Staff. All collected materials held for review will be returned to the team at the 2nd Coaches Meeting. Failure to have proper documentation at registration or during the event may result in athlete or team disqualification. Acceptable documents can be found at www.aauboybasketball.org in the Rule Book.

PROTESTS: For National Championship play, any eligibility protest that is turned in the first day of competition by 6:00 pm will be reviewed by the eligibility committee, and a decision will be made prior to bracket play. Any eligibility protest that comes after the first day of competition will be reviewed at the Eligibility Committee's discretion. All non-eligibility protests will be reviewed by the Eligibility Committee at their discretion.

A fee of \$100.00 cash (refunded if protest is upheld) must accompany all protests. Protests must come from a non-athlete member listed on the official online roster for the event. The **written** protest must be submitted to the National Commissioner-in-Charge. All decisions of the Eligibility Committee shall be final.

CODE OF CONDUCT: Players', coaches' and spectators' conduct should be above reproach, on and off the court. Misbehavior or misconduct may result in disqualification from the tournament. Coaches listed on the official team roster are responsible for the conduct of their players and any damages incurred to the hotel or facilities used by the players. If a coach or a player is suspended during a game, the suspension does NOT include forfeited games. The suspension will be for the next game played

EJECTIONS

1. Any player recorded on the official score sheet as ejected for fighting by the officials (striped shirts) will be prohibited from playing in the next scheduled game.
2. If a coach or player is ejected from a game, he/she will be placed on probation (unless ejected for fighting).
3. If a coach or player is ejected a second time, he/she will sit out that game and the next game.
4. If a coach or player is ejected a third time, he/she will be suspended from the tournament.
5. Any coach ejected for fighting will be removed for the remainder of the tournament.

- UNIFORM:** 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 in National Championship tournaments must have **WHITE** and **DARK** jerseys. The Home team wears White 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.**
- COACHES' ATTIRE:** All non-uniformed persons on bench shall wear long pants, shirts with collars and sleeves and dress shoes or tennis shoes during play at the National Championships. Jeans, jean shorts, sweat pants, mesh shorts, tee shirts, hats and open-toed shoes are not permitted. Any non-uniformed person on the bench will be removed until properly attired. Violation of this rule shall result in a two shot technical foul. The violator will be removed from the bench.
- COACHES EDUCATION:** The PCA Coaches Education Course is MANDATORY and FREE for all AAU Non-Athletes. Please visit www.aausports.org and click on PCA Button 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.
- WARM-UP & GAME BALLS:** Basketballs are provided during warm-up sessions. Rawlings, the official ball of AAU Boys Basketball, shall provide basketballs for warm-ups and games. **DO NOT** bring basketballs to games.
- HOTEL/MOTEL POLICY:** *Upon approval by the National Sport Chair, a National Championship Host may designate certain hotel/motel properties not to be used by teams participating in a National Championship Event. The exact name and address of each property must be provided to the National Sport Chair. The AAU Boys Basketball Committee may reject entries of teams who reserve rooms in these designated properties. Once the National Championship Event begins, team(s) can be required to vacate the designated property in order to continue to participate in the event.*
- HOUSING INFORMATION:** Visit www.hamptoncvb.com for a list of AAU approved hotels.

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 sanctioned (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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