



2016 AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES JUMP ROPE



- LOCATION:** George R. Brown Convention Center, 1001 Avenida De Las Americas, Houston, TX 77010
- DATES:**
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| Wednesday, July 27, 2016 | Check-In & Practice | George R. Brown Convention Center |
| Thursday, July 28, 2016 | Competition | George R. Brown Convention Center |
| Friday, July 29, 2016 | Competition | George R. Brown Convention Center |
| Saturday, July 30, 2016 | Competition | George R. Brown Convention Center |
| Sunday, July 31, 2016 | Competition | George R. Brown Convention Center |
| Sunday, July 31, 2016 | Celebration of Athletes | Campbell Center |
- AAU MEMBERSHIP:** **All athletes, coaches and officials must be current members of the AAU and be able to present their 2016 AAU membership card at check-in.** AAU membership is \$14.00 per youth athlete and adult athlete (18-22), and \$16.00 per non-athlete (coach/official). The cost of membership is in addition to the entry fee. All athletes and coaches should have already purchased a membership card prior to the qualifying tournament. To become a member, join online at www.aausports.org.
- You can no longer register for non-athlete (coach) or adult athlete membership onsite. New this year, background screens are conducted for all non-athletes and adult athletes. Membership is no longer instant. BE PREPARED and register your coaches early!**
- ENTRY FEE:** \$50.00 per athlete and \$40.00 per coach. All fees are non-refundable. The entry fee is in addition to the AAU membership card.
- ENTRY PROCESS & DEADLINE:** Registration for the Jump Rope event will be conducted online at www.aaujrogames.org. All registrations should be submitted online no later than **Thursday, June 30, 2016 at 11:59 PM EST.**
- ANY ATHLETE ENTRIES NOT RECEIVED BY THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DEADLINE DATE MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED! LATE COACH ENTRIES WILL REQUIRE A \$10 LATE FEE.**
- Registration for the Jump Rope events is a two-part process:**
- STEP #1: ATHLETES and COACHES** must register online at www.aaujrogames.org and pay the entry fee. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express accepted. You will need your 2016 AAU membership number at the time of registering online. Once you have registered online, you will receive an email confirming your entry and acceptance of payment.
- STEP #2: COACHES** must create a roster for the team and enter athletes into events by completing the **JUMP ROPE TEAM ENTRY FORMS**. These forms are available for downloading at www.aaujrogames.org under Jump Rope. **Officials' information must also be submitted.** Selected officials will be notified approximately two weeks before the competition.
- It is extremely important that all entries are submitted online no later than the above-mentioned deadline date. **ENTRIES RECEIVED BEYOND THAT DATE MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED! Team entry forms must also be received by the deadline in order for athletes to be entered in the events.**
- QUALIFICATION:** Participation in the JUMP ROPE event requires qualifying at one of the designated AAU Junior Olympic Games Jump Rope Qualifying Tournaments to be held at different geographic locations at various times. For more information on qualifying tournaments, contact Cindy Bork at (301) 725-9057 or borkcindy91@gmail.com or visit the web site at www.aaujumprope.org. Non-US athletes should refer to the web site and the 2016 AAU Jump Rope Rulebook on how to qualify.
- HOUSING:** The AAU makes every effort to provide the best quality experience for athletes, coaches and families that participate in AAU events. Athletes, coaches and families can choose from a wide variety of accommodations in various price points and with several levels of amenities. The Harris County – Houston Sports Authority and PSE Housing Services have carefully selected host hotels for participants with the lowest rates available. The hotels selected for the program not only provide great rates, but also the greatest convenience in regards to location and other amenities.

All reservations are handled through PSE Housing Services. DO NOT CONTACT THE HOTELS DIRECTLY AS YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THE DISCOUNTED RATE. Please visit the website at www.aaujrogames.org and click on Hotels to make your reservations, or call 888-417-6446 for assistance.

Please check online regarding deposit requirements and cancellation policies which may vary depending on hotel. AAU is not responsible for any refunds from cancellation.

In order to complete your registration to participate in the 2016 AAU Junior Olympic Games, you are required to use hotel accommodations as advertised at www.aaujrogames.org. If your team or athlete is local or not planning to stay at one of the recommended properties, you can submit a Housing Form available online at www.aaujrogames.org.

COACHES & OFFICIALS:

All coaches and officials must be registered members of the AAU. **Teams must nominate officials in a ratio of 1 official per 4 athletes.** All officials should be dressed in white shirts and navy pants, skirts or shorts and athletic shoes.

COACHES' EDUCATION:

The AAU is happy to make available **FREE Coaches' Education** for all AAU non-athlete members. This excellent program is **MANDATORY** for all AAU non-athletes and will be administered by Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA). Please visit www.aausports.org and click on PCA COACHES EDUCATION 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.

COMPETITION FORMAT:

The Technical Committee reserves the right to eliminate, add or combine events in response to the number and distribution of entries.

When the number of entries exceeds 30 in singles, pairs or Double Dutch divisions, only the top ranked athletes after the speed and power events will compete in freestyle.

Competition will consist of the following four events: (1) Individual rope singles Triple Crown Competition (Speed - Power - Freestyle). (2) Individual rope pairs Triple Crown Competition (Speed - Power - Freestyle). (3) Double Dutch Pentathlon combining five events (Speed and Freestyle (singles and pairs) and single Power). (4) Group Routine.

RULES:

The 2016 AAU rules of competition will apply. To obtain a copy of the 2016 AAU Jump Rope Rulebook, please visit the web site at www.aaujumprope.org.

EVENTS & AGE DIVISIONS:

Boys Singles: 8 and under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-17, 18-22
Girls Singles: 8 and under, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15-17, 18-22
Pairs: 8 and under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-17, 18-22 (*Pairs may be mixed gender*)
Double Dutch: 10 and under, 11-12, 13-14, 15-17, 18-22
Group: 13 and under, 14-22 (*Teams may be mixed gender*)

AGE DETERMINATION:

The competitor's age is determined by June 15 of the competition year. Whatever the age of the competitor on June 15, 2016 is competitor's official competition age for the 2016 competition year. Proof must be provided if challenged (certified birth certificate or comparable legal document).

AWARDS:

AAU Junior Olympic Games medals will be awarded to the top three (3) individual athletes per combined event in each age category of each division. A team plaque will be awarded to the top three (3) teams in the Group Routine. Medals will be awarded to the first three place winners of the component events and ribbons will be awarded for 4th through 10th place. All participants will receive a T-shirt commemorating the event. The Technical Committee may change awards given.

SOUND EQUIPMENT:

Sound equipment will be provided. Each individual or team is responsible for providing the accompaniment to the Sound Manager on a standard MP3 player. MP3 players must have the song selected on a single play list. MP3 players should be clearly marked with the competitor's and team name. No volume adjustments will be made. The volume and quality of the accompaniment are the responsibility of the competitor and not the Sound Manager. Volume or quality of sound will not be judged. A back-up device with the team's music is encouraged.

CHECK-IN:

Jump Rope participants must check-in to receive their athlete credential or coach wristband. The location of the check-in will be posted when available. The appropriate credential or wristband will be needed prior to gaining admittance into the competition venues. Participants should check-in at least the day prior to competing. *If that credential or wristband is lost or stolen there will be a replacement fee.* For check-in hours, maps and additional directions please visit www.aaujrogames.org (click on Event Info, then Registration).

NOTE: In addition to checking in to receive your credential, Team Coaches MUST also check in at the Jump Rope sport table which will be located in the George R. Brown Convention Center during the designated Coach Check-In time.

PARKING:

Some locations may have parking fees. Please visit www.aaujrogames.org and click on Maps & Directions for more information. Also, some hotels may charge for parking. Please check with your hotel for specific information as prices vary.

TRANSPORTATION:

All participants and spectators are responsible for their own transportation to and from all activities, events, and hotels.

- SECURITY:** All AAU Junior Olympic Games facilities maintain the right to search any bags, backpacks, purses, jackets, etc. throughout the duration of the AAU Junior Olympic Games.
- FOOD:** All AAU Junior Olympic Games facilities maintain exclusive rights to concessions. Outside food and beverage are not permitted throughout the duration of the AAU Junior Olympic Games. No coolers at any venue.
- CELEBRATION OF ATHLETES:** The Celebration of Athletes will be held on **Sunday, July 31, 2016 – 7:30 PM CST at the Campbell Center, 1865 Aldine Bender Rd, Houston, TX 77032**. You won't want to miss this year's Celebration! More information will be posted at www.aaujrogames.org as it becomes available.
- NO GUARANTEE:** 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.
- ADMISSION FEE:** Athletes and coaches with a credential will receive admission to all competition venues and the Celebration of Athletes as part of your entry fee. Please note that you must check-in and pick up your credential prior to receiving admittance into any venue, including the Celebration of Athletes. You must have the appropriate wristband or credential.
- Spectators can purchase tickets onsite at the venues. Daily passes are \$12.00 (6 & under free) and includes admission to all competition venues on the designated day only. Event passports are \$40.00 (6 & under free). For more information on ticket options, please visit www.aaujrogames.org.



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COMPETITION AND MEETING SCHEDULE

(SCHEDULE IS TENTATIVE & SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON NUMBER OF ENTRIES)

Wednesday, July 27, 2016

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. TBA	Athlete and Coaches Check-In Practice	George R. Brown Convention Center George R. Brown Convention Center
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Judge Training for Non US Judges	George R. Brown Convention Center
2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Coach Check-In at Jump Rope Table	George R. Brown Convention Center
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Mandatory Coaches and Judges Meeting	George R. Brown Convention Center

Thursday, July 28, 2016

8:00 am – 9:00 am.	Coaches and Judges Meeting	George R. Brown Convention Center
9:00 a.m. – 6:00 pm.	Competition Events to be determined Awards	

Friday, July 29, 2016

8:00 am – 9:00 a.m.	Coaches and Judges Meeting	George R. Brown Convention Center
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Competition Events to be determined Awards	

Saturday, July 30, 2016

8:00am – 9:00am	Coaches and Judges Meeting	George R. Brown Convention Center
9:00am – 7:00pm	Competition Events to be determined Awards	

Sunday, July 31, 2016

8:00am – 9:00am	AAU Jump Rope Open Meeting	George R. Brown Convention Center
9:00am – 9:30am	Judges/Coaches Briefing	
9:30am – 6:00pm	Competition Events to be determined Group Routines Awards	

TBD

TBD (evening)	Celebration of Athletes	TBD
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