



2016 AAU Gymnastics Scholarship Recipients



VALERIE JEAN GUNNING

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My name is Valerie Gunning and I am from the Florida District of AAU gymnastics. I have been involved with AAU gymnastics for 7 years and it is such an amazing program to be a part of. I have attended AAU state qualifiers, State meets, and Regional meets from levels 5-8 and have had lots of success. I have been the state balance beam champion in years 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, and 2016 and the regional beam champion in years 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2016. Most recently, in May 2016, I was the regional vault champion as well and received 2nd place in the all-around at the SEC AAU Regional competition. My future plans include attending Springfield College in the fall of 2016 and part taking in their dual major program where I will earn a bachelor's degree in Athletic Training and go on to earn a doctorate degree in Physical Therapy. I am planning on trying out for their gymnastics team that is division III and competing with them. I am thrilled to see what the future holds for me.