



**8th ANNUAL  
AAU PRIMARY NATIONAL  
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex  
At *Walt Disney World*® Resort**



# **\*IMPORTANT INFO\***

- **The 2016 Primary National Championships are a qualifier for the AAU Junior Olympic Games!** The top eight (8) athletes and relay teams from the combined results of each event and age group competing in AAU Junior Olympic Games events (100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 4x100m Relay, Shot Put, Long Jump and Turbo Javelin (300g)) will advance to the 2016 AAU Junior Olympic Games in Houston, Texas!
  
- **Schedule:**
  - July 7, 2016– Registration and Packet Pick-Up
  - July 8, 2016 – Multi Event/Track & Field Competition
  - July 9, 2016 – Track & Field Competition
  
- **The following NEW Events have been added to the Primary National Championship:**
  - 800 Meter Sprint Medley Relay  
(100-100-200-400)  
Team may consist of Girls (8 & under)  
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  - 40m Hurdles (7G, 7B, 8G, 8B)  
4 Hurdles, 24 inches in height, 10 meters from start to first hurdle,  
5.5 meters between hurdles, 13.5 meters from last hurdle to finish.
  
  - Turbo Jav 300 gram (7G, 7B, 8G, 8B)  
The top eight (8) athletes from the combined results in the Turbo Jav **WILL** advance to the 2016 AAU Junior Olympic Games.



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**SITE:** **ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort  
Orlando, Florida**

**RATIONALE:** The AAU Primary National Championship has been designed to promote the grass roots activities and to add another National Championship meet to the AAU Athletics program. It also allows the Primary Athletes the opportunity to compete in single age groups 5, 6, 7, and 8.

**DATES:**

<i>Thursday, July 7, 2016</i>	Packet Pick-Up/Team Check-in
<i>Friday, July 8, 2016</i>	Multi-events Competition & Track & Field Competition
<i>Saturday, July 9, 2016</i>	Track & Field Competition

**AGE DETERMINATION:** The athlete's year of birth shall determine the age division in which he/she will compete for individual events:

<u>AGE GROUPS</u>	<u>YEAR OF BIRTH</u>	<u>CODE</u>
8 Year Old Girls	2008	8G
8 Year Old Boys	2008	8B
7 Year Old Girls	2009	7G
7 Year Old Boys	2009	7B
6 Year Old Girls	2010	6G
6 Year Old Boys	2010	6B
5 & Under Girls	2011	5G
5 & Under Boys	2011	5B

**AGE DIVISIONS:** Individual & Multi-events: Girls 5, 6, 7 & 8 Years Old  
Boys 5, 6, 7 & 8 Years Old

Relay events: **ALL RELAY TEAMS MAY CONSIST OF ATHLETES 8 & UNDER**

4 x 100 - Relay Girls  
4 x 100 - Relay Boys

4 x 400 - Relay Girls  
4 x 400 - Relay Boys

800 Sprint Medley Relay Girls  
800 Sprint Medley Relay Boys

All relay teams are gender specific. Girls compete against Girls and Boys compete against Boys. Members of a relay team must be registered with the same Club.

**ENTRY FEE:** **TRACK AND FIELD INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FEE: \$40.00** per athlete regardless of the number of events. ONLY VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER & AMERICAN EXPRESS ACCEPTED THRU ONLINE ENTRY. All athletes shall receive a special commemorative t-shirt for their participation in the event.

**RELAY TEAMS**

There is no additional entry fee for relay events as long as the following criteria is met:

- 1) All competitors as well as alternates have paid the individual entry fee of \$40.00.
- 2) The relay team represents a current 2016 AAU registered club.
- 3) All competitors must have current AAU membership

### **MULTI-EVENTS**

Each athlete wishing to compete in the Multi-Events must submit an entry fee of \$40.00, if the athlete wishes to compete in the Track and Field portion of the meet they must submit an additional \$40.00 to be entered in Track and Field portion of the meet.

**ONLINE ENTRY:** Registration will only be accepted ONLINE at [www.aauathletics.org](http://www.aauathletics.org), only Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!.....NO REFUNDS!!!

### **ENTRY**

**DEADLINE:** Online Entry must be submitted no later than **Tuesday, July 5th, 2016, 11:59 PM EST.** The AAU and ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World*® Resort have spent many hours planning and preparing for this event. In order to make it a great success, we are asking for your cooperation. It is the responsibility of the coach, designated administrator of the club, or athlete to make sure all athletes are registered online at [www.aauathletics.org](http://www.aauathletics.org).

**ONLINE REG.** Once on-line meet entry has been accepted, no changes can be made. Upon completion of the on-line entry process, including the payment of the entry fee, athlete entries are locked and a confirmation e-mail is sent showing all athletes and events entered. Athletes can be added until on-line meet entry is closed, but the entry and roster record of locked athletes cannot be changed. The entry of a locked athlete cannot be removed, nor can the entry of a locked athlete be swapped for another. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS. The person who enters the athletes on-line assumes full responsibility for the events entered on-line. If an e-mail confirmation of an entry is not received within 24-hours, it is the responsibility of the person entering the athletes to contact the National Office. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ENTERTAINED.

**PROOF OF AGE:** The same 'Proof of Age' requirement for obtaining an AAU membership card, will be the same requirement for entering this meet. (See required 'Proof of Age', in AAU Athletics Handbook, Part II, Section E).

**ELIGIBILITY:** Open to any athlete who holds current AAU Membership. You may register for membership online at [www.aausports.org](http://www.aausports.org). The annual fee for individual membership is \$14.00 for athletes and \$16.00 for non-athletes.

**MEMBERSHIP:** All athletes and coaches must have 2016 AAU membership, before registering online at [www.aausports.org](http://www.aausports.org). For membership information, and to purchase membership online, go to [www.aausports.org](http://www.aausports.org). All relay teams must present current 2016 AAU Club membership at check-in.

### **COACHES**

**EDUCATION:** The AAU National Office is happy to announce to its members, FREE Coaches' Education for all **AAU Non-Athletes**. This exciting program is **MANDATORY** for all AAU Non-Athletes and will be administered by **Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA)**. Please visit [www.aausports.org](http://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.

**EVENT LIMITATIONS:** All age divisions are limited to three (3) events including Relays. Entry in a relay, either as a principal runner or an alternate member will be considered an entry for the purpose of this rule.

**AWARDS:** **INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE AWARDS:** National championship medals presented 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> for each event per age group (including each relay team member).

**AWARDS CEREMONIES:** Individual award ceremonies will be conducted at the awards area. Awards for every final event will be presented approximately 30-60 minutes after conclusion of the event.

**QUALIFICATION:** The top eight (8) athletes and relay teams from the combined results of each event and age group competing in AAU Junior Olympic Games events (100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 4x100m Relay, Shot Put, Long Jump and Turbo Javelin (300g)) will advance to the 2016 AAU Junior Olympic Games in Houston, Texas!

**DIRECTIONS** Directions to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World*® Resort: I-4 to exit 65. Follow signs to the Wide World of Sports. Left on Victory Way. Follow signs to parking.

**CHECK-IN:**

All entries must be submitted ONLINE at [www.aauathletics.org](http://www.aauathletics.org), no later than the **Wednesday, July 6, 2016, 11:59 PM EST** deadline date. **NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER DEADLINE!!** We want as many athletes as possible to participate, so please get all entries submitted online ASAP!

**On-Site Packet Pick-Up:** Packet Pick Up for all athletes and coaches participating in the 2016 AAU Primary National Championship will be held at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World®* Resort. **ALL PARTICIPATING ATHLETES/CLUBS SHOULD PLAN ON CHECKING-IN THE DAY BEFORE COMPETITION BEGINS.** Upon arrival at the complex, please follow posted signs to the registration area. Free parking will be available. Temporary parking for RV and Buses will also be available at the complex. **ALL ATHLETES AND COACHES MUST CHECK-IN AT THE REGISTRATION CENTER PRIOR TO COMPETITION!**

Hours of operation at the Packet Pick-Up Center will be as follows for the AAU Primary National Championships:

Packet Pick-up Schedule		
Day/Date	Open Time	Close Time
Thursday, July 7th	3:00 PM	6:00 PM
Friday, July 8 th	7:00 AM	2:00 PM
Saturday, July 9 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 AM	10:00 AM

**NOTE:** If your event is one of the first events on any morning and is within two hours of the opening of packet pick-up, it is mandatory that you check-in on the day before competition to obtain your packet and race number(s).

**COACHES****CREDENTIALS:**

**ALL COACHES MUST HAVE A VALID 2016 AAU NON ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP TO RECEIVE A CREDENTIAL. YOU MUST PRESENT YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A CREDENTIAL.**

Coaches Credential Formula	
1 – 8 Athlete(s)	One (1) Complimentary Coaches Credential
9 – 16 Athletes	Two (2) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
17 – 24 Athletes	Three (3) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
25 – 32 Athletes	Four (4) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
33 – 40 Athletes	Five (5) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
41 – 48 Athletes	Six (6) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
49 – 56 Athletes	Seven (7) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
57 – 64 Athletes	Eight (8) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
65 – 73 Athletes	Nine (9) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
74 or More	Ten (10) Complimentary Coaches Credentials

**COMPETITION AREA ACCESS:** During the 2016 AAU Primary National Championship, Coaches and Parents will **ONLY** be allowed inside the Competition Area to assist athletes in the setting of Starting Blocks and Long Jump Marks.

**CREDENTIALS:** Please note that the credentials issued to athletes and coaches are ATS tickets. These tickets are required to be used in the turnstiles to gain access to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World®* Resort. **If an athlete or coach loses their credential, a replacement will be issued at the cost of a General Admission ticket.**

**HOUSING:**

AAU has selected Anthony Travel as the Official Housing Provider for all AAU Orlando events beginning in 2016. This partnership has been put in place to help streamline your travel management efforts and provide competitive hotel rates, specially-priced Theme Park Tickets, and amenities for you in the Orlando area. *Although there is no requirement to book with Anthony Travel, we highly recommend their services for the following reasons listed below.*

Anthony Travel offers discounted accommodations, outstanding customer service and an overall greater travel experience than in years past!

Hotel accommodations are now available and guests can book online ([Click Here](#)), 24 hours a day, or by calling (866) 796-5222, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 5 pm CT.

AAU, Disney and Anthony Travel look forward to serving you in 2016!

**PARKING:** Parking at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World*® Resort is complimentary.

**ADMISSION:** Spectator tickets are available at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World*® Resort box office. Children under the age of three (3) are admitted for free. All *Walt Disney World*® ticket prices are subject to change without notice. (Updated 6/8/2012).

General Admission:	Adult- \$16.50	Child- \$11.50
Length of Event:	Adult- \$33.00	Child- \$23.00

**MEDICAL:** A medical area will be stationed near the finish line of the track and staffed with athletic trainers. (No taping of ankles, except for injuries which occur during meet.)

**FLUIDS:** Water stations will be located at all event areas, clerking tent, and at the finish areas of the track.

**WEATHER:** The average high temperature in Orlando during the month of July is in the low 90's with high humidity. Chance of rain in the month of July is high and the following rain protocols will be observed:

- In the case of lightning or severe rain, all competition will be halted and all guests will be asked to report to the HP Field House or baseball stadium. The competition will resume if the weather clears or be postponed to the following day (in the case of very severe weather).
- In the case of light rain, competition will continue until safety becomes an issue, at which time competition will be halted and the above protocol will be observed.

## **TRACK & FIELD VENUE INFORMATION**

**TRACK:** ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex venue has a 9 lane, polyurethane surface [Martin (ISA-1000)] with 48" lanes. The track has a straightaway on both the front and back straight, and has been marked for all short hurdle and sprint races to be done in both directions. The infield of the track features two bi-directional long/triple jump runways, three pad pole vault runway, three shot put areas, one discus areas and large D-area for two high jumps and javelin runway.

**SEATING CAPACITY:** ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex venue has 500 permanent chair back seats. Some seats will be brought into the venue for this event

**SHOWER & LOCKER ROOMS:** There are no shower or locker room facilities available at the track & field venue. All competitors need to dress at their hotel and arrive at ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex ready to compete.

**RESTROOM FACILITIES:** Restroom facilities will be available at the track & field venue. A combination of permanent restroom facilities and port-a-lets will be placed throughout the venue.

**COMPETITOR NUMBERS:** Competitor bib numbers will be issued at athlete check-in. All athletes will be required to wear their bib numbers on the front of your competition singlet at all times of competition. Replacement numbers will be issued for a **fee of \$10.00** at the Timing Trailer.

**HIP NUMBERS:** Hip numbers will be issued at the Clerk of the Course Tent and will be required for all running event competitors during their event. The Clerk of the Course will indicate which side and location to wear the hip numbers at check-in time.

**IMPLEMENTS:** The AAU will be supplying implements for use at this event. Athletes may bring their own implements to use during competition. However, personal implements will be required to be weighed-in prior to reporting to the event site. Implement weigh-in will occur in a tent near the clerking and warm-up areas of the event. Implements will be impounded and delivered to the event area. Implements will be returned to the athletes after competition.

**PROTESTS:** Protests concerning the status or eligibility of any competitor must be made to the Games Committee prior to the commencement of the meet, or to the Referee during the meet. Protests relating to matters which develop during the conduct of the meet must be made to the Referee and be filed at once, but in any case not more than 30 minutes after the result has been announced. Written protests at the National level, protests MUST be filed on official protest forms and accompanied by a cash deposit of \$150.00. The National Meet Director will cause the results of each event to be marked with the correct time and date. The Referee shall consider any and all available evidence, except photographic evidence other than official films or official videotapes. When the

Referee renders his decision, there is still the right of appeal to the Jury of Appeals, whose decision is final. If the protest is denied, the cash deposit will be forfeited.

**ATHLETE  
WARM-UP:**

The warm up area will be located adjacent to the Clerk of Course tent.

**COMPETITOR  
CHECK-IN:**

All athletes for running events and field events will report to Clerk's tent, up to one hour before start of event. The chief official of that event will take field event athletes from Clerks tent to the event area, no less than thirty minutes before the first jump, throw or attempt of their flight. Athletes, who fail to report on time, will not be allowed to compete in that event, after check-in has been closed. It is the athletes, coaches, and parents who are responsible to report on time, not meet management.

**TENTS:**

Tents/Tarps/Umbrellas will not be allowed in the grandstands. ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World® Resort* will provide some tenting for shading on or near the warm-up area of the track. Some individual tents will be allowed to be erected in a limited area. However, the tents cannot be staked down, and tent tops must be removed at night or during inclement weather.

**COOLERS:**

As part of security and safety measures by the Walt Disney Company, coolers will be allowed as follows at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World® Resort*: (1) five gallon per team, and (1) one gallon per individual. Provisions are in place to handle medications, infant products, and special dietary foods. All coolers, bags, backpacks, and duffels will be subject to the existing security inspection process.

**OTHER:**

The following items will not be allowed into ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World® Resort*:

- Lawn chairs and folding chairs
- Pets or animals, except service animals

**SCHEDULE:**

The schedule for this event will be on a "TIME" schedule for each event. Due to the nature of the weather this time of year, the "TIME" schedule will be adjusted when necessary.

**INT'L ATHLETES:**

**(According to the AAU Athletics Handbook, foreign athletes, provided they are AAU registered members, may participate in AAU sanctioned practice or developmental meets; however, foreign athletes MAY NOT participate in District Qualifier, National Qualifier, or National Championship meets, except for the AAU National Club Championships and AAU Primary National Championship, held at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World® Resort*.)**

- This event is licensed 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 Youth Athlete membership must be obtained before the competition begins.
- BE PREPARED! Adult and Non Athlete memberships are no longer instant and cannot be applied for at event.
- Please allow at least 10 days for membership to be processed.
- Participants are encouraged to visit the AAU website [www.aausports.org](http://www.aausports.org) to obtain their membership

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