



**AAU TRACK & FIELD
PRIMARY NATIONALS
& CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA
JACKSONVILLE, FL
JULY 6 – 13, 2024**

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IMPORTANT INFO

- **EVENT SCHEDULE:**
 - July 7-8, 2024 – Primary National Championship
 - July 9-13, 2024 – Club Championship
- **PRIMARY NATIONALS ADVANCEMENT:**
 - The top **EIGHT (8)** place finishers and relay teams from all age groups combined (5, 6, 7, 8) will qualify for the AAU Junior Olympic Games.
- **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP ADVANCEMENT:**
 - The top **EIGHT (8)** place finishers and relay teams from each event will qualify for the 2024 AAU Junior Olympic Games. **NO MOVE UPS. ONLY TOP 8 ADVANCE** The top **EIGHT (8)** finishers and relay teams from each event will qualify for the AAU Junior Olympic Games! **NO MOVE UPS. ONLY TOP ADVANCE.**
 - Athletes will **NOT** be moved up if another top 8 athlete has already qualified.
- **AWARDS:**
 - **NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPION AWARDS** (3) - National championship awards will be presented to the top three (3) clubs/teams with the highest overall point totals of all divisions and genders combined.
 - **CLUB/TEAM AWARDS** (18) - National championship award presented to the 1st place clubs/teams in each age division and gender (i.e. “10 Year Old Girls Champion”).
- **COACHES CREDENTIALS:**
 - All Coaches must have a valid 2024 AAU Non-Athlete Membership to receive a Coaches Credential. You must present your membership information at registration to receive a credential.
 - Athletes that compete in Primary Nationals & Club Championships will only receive (1) athlete credential that is good for the entire event (July 7-13, 2024).
 - Below is the Coaches Credential Formula:

| Coaches Credential Formula | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1 – 5 Athlete(s) | No Complimentary Coaches Credential |
| 6 – 10 Athletes | One (1) Complimentary Coaches pass per club |
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AAU PRIMARY NATIONALS & CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

SITE: University of North Florida – Hodges Stadium - 1 S UNF Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32224

RATIONALE: The AAU Primary Nationals & Club Championships has been designed to place an emphasis on the grassroots development and team aspect of the sport, hence the primary specific age meet and club/team meet. It also provides additional participation opportunities for individual athletes against national caliber competition.

DATES:

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|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Sunday, July 7, 2024</i> | Primary Nationals |
| <i>Monday, July 8, 2024</i> | Primary Nationals |
| <i>Tuesday, July 9, 2024</i> | Club Championship |
| <i>Wednesday, July 10, 2024</i> | Club Championship |
| <i>Thursday, July 11, 2024</i> | Club Championship |
| <i>Friday, July 12, 2024</i> | Club Championship |
| <i>Saturday, July 13, 2024</i> | Club Championship |

AGE DIVISIONS: Individual: 8 & Under, 9 Year Olds, 10 Year Olds, 11 Year Olds, 12 Year Olds, 13 Year Olds, 14 Year Olds, 15-16 Year Olds, 17-18 Year Olds

Relay events: 8 & Under (4x100m ONLY), 9 & 10 Year Olds, 11 & 12 Year Olds, 13 & 14 Year Olds, 15-16 Year Olds, and 17-18 Year Olds

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> |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| 8 & Under*** | 2016 & After *** |
| 9 Year Olds | 2015 |
| 10 Year Olds | 2014 |
| 11 Year Olds | 2013 |
| 12 Year Olds | 2012 |
| 13 Year Olds | 2011 |
| 14 Year Olds | 2010 |
| 15-16 Year Olds | 2008 - 2009 |
| 17-18 Year Olds** | 2006 - 2007** |

**Athletes who are still eighteen (18) years of age through the final day (August 3, 2024) of the AAU Junior Olympic Games shall be eligible to compete in the 17-18 Year Olds division.

***For the Primary National Championship, events will be contested and awarded by single age divisions (5 & under, 6 year old, 7 year old and 8 year old)

ONLINE ENTRY: Registration will only be accepted online. **CLICK HERE** to register for event. Only Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express will be accepted. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!...NO REFUNDS!!!**

ENTRY

DEADLINE: Online Entry must be submitted no later than **Tuesday, July 2, 2024 - 11:59 PM EST**

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.aautrackandfield.org.

ONLINE

REGISTRATION: **Once online meet entry has been accepted, no changes can be made. Upon completion of the online entry process, including the payment of the entry fee, athlete entries are locked and a confirmation email is sent showing all athletes and events entered. Athletes can be added until online 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 online assumes full responsibility for the events entered online. If an email 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.**

ENTRY FEE: **PRIMARY NATIONALS/CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FEE**
\$50.00 per athlete regardless of the number of events. VISA, MasterCard, Discover and 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 are met:

1. All competitors as well as alternates have paid the individual entry fee of \$50.00.
2. The relay team represents a current 2024 AAU registered club.
3. All competitors must have current AAU memberships.

CLUB/TEAM ENTRY FEE

All clubs/teams will be entered in the club scoring, there is **NO** additional fee. **ALL PARTICIPATING CLUBS/TEAMS MUST BE 2024 AAU CLUB MEMBERS!**

CHECK-IN:

All entries must be submitted ONLINE at www.aautrackandfield.org, no later than the **JULY 2, 2024, 11:59 PM EST** deadline dates. **NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE!!** Of course, we want as many athletes as possible to participate, so please get all entries submitted online ASAP!

On-Site Packet Pick-Up: Packet Pickup for all athletes and coaches participating in the 2024 AAU Primary Nationals and Club Championships will be held at the University of North Florida. **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. **ALL ATHLETES AND COACHES MUST CHECK-IN AT THE REGISTRATION CENTER PRIOR TO COMPETITION!**

*Hours of operation at the Packet Pickup Center will be as follows for the AAU Primary Nationals and Club Championships:

| Packet Pickup Schedule | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Day/Date | Open Time | Close Time |
| Saturday, July 6 th | 2:00 PM | 6:00 PM |
| Sunday, July 7 th | 7:00 AM | 2:00 PM |
| Monday, July 8 th | 7:00 AM | 2:00 PM |
| Tuesday, July 9 th | 7:00 AM | 1:00 PM |
| Wednesday, July 10 th | 7:00 AM | 1:00 PM |
| Thursday, July 11 th | 7:00 AM | 12:00 PM |
| Friday, July 12 th | 7:00 AM | 12:00 PM |
| Saturday, July 13 th | 7:00 AM | 9:00 AM |

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

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 Track & Field Handbook, Part III, Section c.i.2).

REPLACEMENT BIBS & WRISTBANDS:

Replacement bibs and Athlete wristbands will be sold onsite for \$10.00 (cash only). Coaches' replacement wristbands will be sold onsite for \$50.00 (cash only).

CLUB/TEAM SCORING:

Team scoring will be based on eight (8) places with the following point structure: 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1. All events will be scored towards the team totals, including the multi-events. Relay points will be awarded to the age groups in which the event was competed.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to any athlete or club/team who holds current AAU Membership. You may register for membership online at www.aausports.org. The annual fee for individual membership is \$20.00 for athletes and \$55.00 for non-athletes. In order for athletes to be physically prepared to compete at the AAU National Club Championships level, it is highly recommended that athletes compete in their local AAU District meet. Go to our website: www.aautrackandfield.org, for meet information or, contact your local AAU District at 1-800-AAU-4USA or the AAU National Headquarters at: 407-934-7200 for information about meets in your area.

Individual athletes (Unattached) and Clubs from other organizations are also encouraged to compete in this Championship upon becoming members of the AAU.

AAU MEMBERSHIP: All athletes and coaches must have 2024 AAU membership, before registering online. For membership information, and to purchase membership online, go to www.aausports.org.

All relay teams and clubs/teams must present current 2024 AAU Club membership when registering for the event online.

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 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 competitors in the 8 & Under, 9 Year Old, 10 Year Old, 11 Year Old and 12 Year Old divisions will be limited to a total of three (3) events per competitor, including relays (NO 8 & UNDER). Competitors in the 13 Year Old, 14 Year Old, 15-16 Year Old and 17-18 Year Old divisions will be limited to a total of four (4) events per competitor, including relays.

AWARDS: **NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPION AWARD** (3) - National championship awards will be presented to the top three (3) clubs/teams with the highest overall point totals of all divisions and genders combined.

CLUB/TEAM AWARDS (18) - National championship award presented to the 1st place clubs/teams in each age division and gender (i.e. "10 Year Old Girls Champion").

INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE AWARDS - National championship medals and All American Patches will be presented 1st through 8th for each event per age group (including each relay team member). 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.

Team award ceremonies will be conducted immediately following the conclusion of the last event at the track on Saturday, July 13th.

PRIMARY NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP - National championship medals will be presented 1st through 8th for each single age division (5 & Under, 6 year old, 7 year old and 8 year old) per event. 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.

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CREENTIALS: Please note that the credentials issued to athletes and coaches are wristbands. These wristbands are required to be used at the main entrance to gain access to the competition facility. **If an athlete loses their wristband, a replacement a replacement can be purchased for \$10.00 (cash only). If a coach loses their wristband, a replacement a replacement can be purchased for \$50.00 (cash only).**

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.

Tentative Primary Schedule – [CLICK HERE](#)

Tentative Clubs Schedule – [CLICK HERE](#)

QUALIFICATION: Primary Nationals Advancement – The top **EIGHT (8)** place finishers and relay teams from all age groups combined (5, 6, 7, 8) will qualify for the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

Club Championship Advancement – The top **EIGHT (8)** place finishers and relay teams from each event will qualify for the 2024 AAU Junior Olympic Games. **NO MOVE UPS. ONLY TOP 8 ADVANCE.** The 60m Hurdles event **DOES NOT** advance you to the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

If the athlete decides to compete, he/she must complete all online registration information at www.aatrackandfield.org to participate in the AAU Junior Olympic Games by the deadline of **July 16th, 2024 at 11:59 PM EST.**

INT’L ATHLETES: According to the AAU Track & Field Handbook, foreign athletes, provided they are AAU registered members, may participate in AAU licensed practice or developmental meets; however, foreign athletes **MAY NOT** participate in District, Regional, or National Championship meets, except for the AAU Primary Nationals & Club Championships.

HOUSING: For more information on housing options please [CLICK HERE](#).

PARKING: Onsite parking at University of North Florida is available in select lots at no cost. For parking information and map, [CLICK HERE](#). Vehicles parked in unauthorized areas will be towed at the owner’s expense.

ADMISSION: Spectator tickets are available at the University of North Florida each day. Length of event passes and daily tickets can be purchased online, [HERE](#). Children under the age of six (6) are admitted for free. Tickets must be purchased online in advance or onsite via credit card. **Cash will not be accepted.** Ticket prices do not include sales tax.

1-Day Event Admission: \$20.00

Length of Event Admission: \$50.00

TRACK & FIELD VENUE INFORMATION

- SEATING** University of North Florida - Hodges Stadium track & field venue has 9,000 permanent bleacher seats. Additional seating will be made available in some competition areas.
- 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 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 bibs will be issued for a **fee of \$10.00 (cash only)**.
- HIP NUMBERS:** Hip numbers will be issued at clerk of the course and will be required for all running event competitors during their event. The clerk of course will indicate which side and location to wear the hip numbers at check-in time.
- SPIKES:** Spike checks will take place at the Clerk's tent or at select field events. Only 1/4" or smaller pyramid spikes are allowed.
- IMPLEMENTS:** The AAU will be supplying implements for use at this event (shot put, discus, and javelin). Poles for pole vault will not be supplied. 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:** Track athletes for running events will report to Clerk's tent, up to one hour before start of event. Field event athletes will report to the chief official of that event, no less than thirty minutes before the start of their event. Athletes who fail to report at that time will be subject to the participation guidelines outlined in the AAU Track & Field Handbook. It is the athletes, coaches, and parents who are responsible to report on time, not meet management.
- TENTS/ UMBRELLAS:** Tents will be allowed to be erected outside of the stadium in Tent City ONLY. However, the tents cannot be staked down, and tent tops must be removed at night or during inclement weather. Umbrellas will be allowed in the grandstands 2nd level ONLY. For a map of the designated Tent/Umbrella Area, [CLICK HERE](#).
- 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 Jacksonville during the month of July is in the low 90s with high humidity. Chance of rain in the month of July is high and the following rain protocols will be observed.
- COOLERS:** As part of security and safety measures, coolers will be allowed as follows:
One (1) small 1 gallon cooler per individual athlete. Athletes with coolers must use the athlete entrance only. 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. A clear bag policy will be in effect. More details will be posted at www.aatrackandfield.org/PrimaryClubChamp.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Meet Director

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- 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 to obtain their membership