

AAU GIRLS BASKETBALL

3RD-11TH JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES

HOSTED BY THE AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES
GREENSBORO, NC

COACHES INFORMATION

DATES:	REGISTRATION: July 24, 2024 COMPETITION: July 25 – July 27, 2024
FACILITIES:	Rise Indoor Sports Complex - 419 Twins Wy, Bermuda Run, NC 27006
ENTRY FEE:	\$400.00 - All entry fee payments will be made online. Registration, payment, and roster must all be completed on Exposure Events Platform. To register, click here
ENTRY DEADLINE:	Wednesday, July 17, 2024 – REFUNDS WILL NOT BE GIVEN AFTER THIS DATE. NO EXCEPTIONS. All participating teams must be registered, paid-in-full, and have a roster submitted online on Exposure .
SPECTATOR ADMISSION:	Daily admission will be available for \$20.00 (ages 3 and above). Ages 2 and under are FREE. A Length of Event pass will also be available for \$50.00 (ages 3 and above).
HOTEL INFORMATION:	https://aauirogames.org/Hotels
REGISTRATION:	July 24, 2024: 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM July 25, 2024: 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM
CELEBRATION OF ATHLETES:	The Celebration of Athletes (Opening Ceremonies) will be held on Monday, July 29, 2024. More information will be posted at www.aauirogames.org/CelebrationofAthletes .
AGE DETERMINATION:	3rd Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 3rd grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 10 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 9 on August 31, 2024. 4th Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 11 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 10 on August 31, 2024.

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5th Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 12 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 11 on August 31, 2024.

6th Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 13 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 12 on August 31, 2024.

7th Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 14 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 13 on August 31, 2024.

8th Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 15 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 14 on August 31, 2024.

9th Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 16 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 15 on August 31, 2024.

10th Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 17 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 16 on August 31, 2024.

11th Grade Division - An athlete must be in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2023, and can be no older than 18 on August 31, 2024. For an athlete that is in the 12th grade as of October 1, 2023, wanting to play down, they can be no older than 17 on August 31, 2024.

ATHLETE VERIFICATION:

Each athlete must present the following eligibility materials at registration:

- 1.) Approved Photo ID (See 2024 Eligibility Materials Options Below)
- 2.) IF APPLICABLE: Copy of each athlete's Proof of Grade.

2024 ELIGIBILITY MATERIAL OPTIONS

1. **Electronic Age Verification**
 - a. [SportsAge ID](#) (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
 - b. **National Sports ID** (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
2. **Valid Passport** (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
3. **Valid Driver's License or Learner's Permit** (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
4. **Military ID card** (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
5. **Dept. of Motor Vehicles State Identification card** (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
6. **Report Card** (Meets grade requirement)

COACH VERIFICATION:

All bench personnel must be present and show government issued photo ID in order to receive credentials. NO EXCEPTIONS

COACHES' MEETINGS:

In lieu of a **First Coaches** meeting, coaches will be required to sign a document they are familiar with and will adhere to all AAU rules and our Fighting / Ejection Policy.

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RULES OF PLAY:	The National Championship Tournament will be played under the 2023-2024 National Federation of State High School Association rules, except were amended by the AAU Girls' Basketball Handbook. Please visit www.aagirlsbasketball.org and click on the Rules tab, then Rules/Handbook.
SCHEDULES/RESULTS:	Schedules and Results will be posted at www.aagirlsbasketball.org and will be emailed to each team that provides a valid email address in the Online Roster System.
GAME FORMAT:	3 rd Grade (2) 12-minute halves – 5-minute halftime/warmup – 3 min OT 4 th – 6 th Grade - (2) 14-minute halves – 5-minute halftime/warm-up – 3 min OT 7 th – 11 th Grade - (2) 16-minute halves – 5 halftime/warmup – 4 min OT
TOURNAMENT FORMAT:	Wednesday, July 24th – Registration/Opening Ceremonies Thursday, July 25th – Pool Play Friday, July 26th – Pool/Bracket Play Saturday, July 27th – Bracket Play / Conclusion of Bracket Play *Each team will play one-two 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:	<p>If a team is up by 15 points or more, in the 3rd grade, the leading team cannot press until the offensive team reaches the three-point line. In addition, in the 3rd to 7th grade AAU Tournaments, a running clock will be used in the second half when a team is behind by 30 or more points. Regular rules will return if at any time the spread falls below 30 points. The losing coach may opt to ignore this rule at any time.</p> <p>Penalty for breaking the 15-point rule mentioned above is a warning for the first offense and an administrative technical foul for the second offense. If the rule is broken a third time, a technical foul goes to the coach.</p>
AWARDS:	Each athlete and registered coach on the top four finishing teams in the Championship Bracket will receive a finalist medal and the team will receive a trophy. Each athlete and registered coach on the fifth through tenth finishing teams will receive a finalist medal and the team will receive a plaque. Each athlete and registered coach on the top four finishing teams in the Classic Bracket will receive a finalist medal and the team will receive a plaque.
TEAM ROSTER:	15 players and 4 coaches, bench personnel, and/or team media representatives on a roster. All individuals above must be current members of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU). Membership can be obtained at www.aausports.org .

For further clarification, please refer to the 2024 AAU Girls Basketball Handbook at www.aagirlsbasketball.org (click on Rules/Info).

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ELIGIBILITY:

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

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

MISBEHAVIOR/EJECTIONS

1. Any coach ejected for fighting will be ineligible for the remainder of the tournament.
2. Players ejected for fighting are ineligible to participate in the team's next game. Additional penalties, up to exclusion from the tournament, may be imposed by the National Eligibility Committee.
3. If a coach or player is ejected from a game for unsportsmanlike behavior (not fighting), he/she will be ineligible to participate in the next scheduled game. The head coach may appeal the penalty by submitting a written request for appeal to the Tournament Headquarters within two (2) hours of the conclusion of the game. A Commissioner shall consider the appeal. The Commissioners ruling is final.
4. If a coach or player is ejected a second time, he/she will be ineligible for the remainder of the tournament.
5. Coaches or Players who leave the bench to engage athletes or coaches on the playing floor may be suspended by the National Eligibility Committee for any period up to the duration of the tournament.
6. The National Eligibility Committee may impose suspensions or other penalties for misbehavior which occurs at any time and at any location during the event.
7. Coaches and Athletes who engage in misbehavior are subject to additional disciplinary action from the AAU Girls' Basketball National Infractions Committee. Penalties may include suspension from AAU events in future years.

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 LIGHT and DARK jerseys. The Home team wears Light jerseys and Visitor wears Dark jerseys. The top/left team on the schedule shall be the

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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 the bench shall conform to the following dress code:

Permitted: Dress shorts or slacks, shirts with collar and sleeves or team logoed athletic apparel shirts/shorts; and dress shoes or tennis shoes. Women may wear dresses or skirts appropriate to the occasion. **Not Permitted:** Camouflage shorts/pants, t-shirts (without Team logo, brand logo or name), hats, and open-toed shoes.

**** Violation of this rule shall be penalized by a 2-shot administrative technical foul for each violation. Penalties must be applied prior to the opening tip.****

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 coach's 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. Spalding, the official ball of AAU Girls Basketball, shall provide basketballs for warm-ups and games. **DO NOT** bring basketballs to games.

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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 licensed (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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