

CATCH DES MOINES

2014 AAU Junior Olympic Games
TRACK & FIELD



AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Multi-Events/Racewalk:
July 25-27, 2014

Track & Field:
July 27-August 2, 2014

Drake Stadium
Drake University
Des Moines, IA





2014 AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES TRACK & FIELD / MULTI-EVENTS



LOCATION: Drake Stadium, Drake University, Des Moines, IA

DATES: **Multi-Events/Racewalk**
Friday, July 25, 2014 *Athlete/Coach Check-In and Packet Pick-Up
Saturday, July 26, 2014 Competition
Sunday, July 27, 2014 Competition

Track & Field
Friday, July 25 – August 1, 2014 *Athlete/Coach Check-In and Packet Pick-Up
Monday, July 28, 2014 Competition
Tuesday, July 29, 2014 Competition
Wednesday, July 30, 2014 Competition
Thursday, July 31, 2014 Competition
Friday, August 1, 2014 Competition
Saturday, August 2, 2014 Competition

***Athletes should check-in the day prior to competing. NEW LOCATION: Check-in will be held in the Olmstead Center at Drake University (located 2 blocks from Drake Stadium).**

AGE DIVISIONS: Track & Field: 8 & Under, 9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11 year olds, 12 year olds, 13 year olds, 14 year olds, 15-16 year olds, and 17-18 year olds

Multi-Event: 9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11 year olds, 12 year olds, 13 year olds, 14 year olds, 15-16 year olds, and 17-18 year olds

Relays: 8 & Under, 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:

8 & Under	2006 & after (Track & Field only)
9 year olds	2005
10 year olds	2004
11 year olds	2003
12 year olds	2002
13 year olds	2001
14 year olds	2000
15-16 year olds	1998 – 1999
17-18 year olds	1996 – 1997

*Athletes who are still eighteen (18) years of age through the final day of the National Track & Field Meet shall be eligible to compete in the 17-18 year olds division.

ONLINE ENTRY: Entries will only be accepted ONLINE at www.aaujogames.org. Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover accepted. **NO EXCEPTIONS!! All entry fees are NON-REFUNDABLE and NON-TRANSFERABLE.**

ENTRY DEADLINE: All ATHLETE Online Entries must be submitted no later than **Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 11:59 p.m. EST.** ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEADLINE DATE OR YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE – **NO LATE ENTRIES.**

It is the responsibility of the coach, designated person of the club, parent or athlete to make sure all athletes are registered online at www.aaujogames.org. It is not the responsibility of the AAU to make sure all are completed.

ONLINE REGISTRATON: Once an on-line meet entry is 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. 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.**

ATHLETE ENTRY FEE: \$45.00 per athlete for Multi-Events
\$45.00 per athlete for Track & Field regardless of the number of events

ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE. Entry fees are per athlete, no substitutions allowed after submission. All athlete entries must be made online. Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover accepted.

If competing in both multi-events and track & field, two separate entry fees of \$45.00 each must be paid. Please note that all athletes will receive one credential and one goodie bag (multi-events and track & field).

AAU MEMBERSHIP: All athletes and coaches must be current AAU members prior to their District meet and prior to registering for any meet online. All relay teams must present current 2014 AAU Club membership at check-in. Athlete membership is \$12, non-athlete (coach) membership is \$14 and club membership starts at \$30. Visit www.aausports.org for more information and to register for membership.

BE PREPARED and register your coaches early! You can no longer register for non-athlete (coach) membership onsite at the event. New this year, background screens are conducted for all non-athletes and adult athletes. Membership is no longer instant. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/1jkiUx6>.

QUALIFICATION: **TRACK RUNNING EVENTS:** The top **eight (8)** finishers in each individual **running** event 2014 AAU Track & Field Regional Qualifier Meet will qualify to compete at the AAU Junior Olympic Games as follows.

FIELD EVENTS: The top **five (5)** finishers in each individual **field** event at each 2014 AAU Track & Field Regional Qualifier Meet will qualify to compete at the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

MULTI-EVENTS/RELAYS: The top **four (4)** finishers in each multi-event or relay at each 2014 AAU Track & Field Regional Qualifier Meet will qualify to compete at the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: The AAU National Club Championships will be held at ESPN Wide World of Sports in Orlando, FL. Visit www.aauathletics.org for information. The **top eight (8)** finishers will qualify for the AAU Junior Olympic Games in that event only.

PRIMARY CHAMPIONSHIPS: The AAU National Primary Championships will be held at ESPN Wide World of Sports in Orlando, FL. Visit www.aauathletics.org for information. The **top eight (8)** finishers from the combined results of each age group will qualify for the AAU Junior Olympic Games in that event only.

WEST COAST AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES: The West Coast AAU Junior Olympic Games will be held in Reno, NV. Visit www.wcaaujrogames.org for information. The **top eight (8)** finishers will qualify for the AAU Junior Olympic Games in that event only.

All athletes must declare their entry by registering online at www.aaujrogames.org no later than **Tuesday, July 15, 2014**. These are the only methods of qualification for competition in this event.

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 Greater Des Moines Convention and Visitors Bureau has 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.

In order to complete your registration to participate in the 2014 AAU Junior Olympic Games, you are required to use hotel accommodations as advertised at www.aaujrogames.org. All reservations are handled through the Convention and Visitors Bureau. DO NOT CONTACT THE HOTELS DIRECTLY AS YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THE DISCOUNTED AAU RATE. Go to www.aaujrogames.org and click on Hotels to make your reservations, or call 800-451-2625 for assistance. If your team or athlete is local or not planning to stay at one of the recommended properties, you can request a Housing Form from aaujrogames@ausports.org.

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

**CHECK-IN/
PACKET PICK-UP:**

All entries must be submitted ONLINE at www.aajurogames.org by the entry deadline. It is extremely important that all entries be submitted ONLINE no later than the deadline date. **ENTRIES RECEIVED BEYOND THAT DATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM.**

On-Site Check-In and Packet Pick-Up: NEW LOCATION: Check-in for all Track & Field and Multi-Event athletes and coaches participating in the AAU Junior Olympic Games will be held at the **Olmstead Center** at Drake University located at 2507 University Avenue (about 2 blocks from the track). **Athletes should check-in at the Olmstead Center at least the day prior to the first day of his/her competition.** For additional check-in information, please visit www.aajurogames.org.

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Check-In Hours</u>
Multi-Event and RaceWalk	Friday, July 25	12:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Multi-Event and RaceWalk	Saturday, July 26	8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Track and Field	Sunday, July 27	8:00 am – 8:00 pm
Track and Field	Monday, July 28	8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Track and Field	Tuesday, July 29	8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Track and Field	Wednesday, July 30	8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Track and Field	Thursday, July 31	8:00 am – 3:00 pm
Track and Field	Friday, August 1	8:00 am – 2:00 pm

NOTE TO ALL TRACK ATHLETES, COACHES AND PARENTS:
ATHLETES/COACHES/PARENTS MUST GO TO THE OLMSTEAD CENTER TO CHECK-IN AND PICK UP THE ATHLETE BIB NUMBERS AND WRISTBANDS. All athletes and coaches will be required to wear a wristband during the length of the event in order to gain admittance into the facility. The replacement cost for lost wristbands will be equal to the cost of admission.

BIB NUMBER PICK-UP: THE REPLACEMENT COST FOR ANY LOST BIB NUMBER (REGARDLESS OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES) WILL BE \$10.00. All race numbers and wristbands (multi-events included) must be picked up at Packet Pick-Up in the Olmstead Center at Drake University.

Race (bib) number and wristband pick-up is a MANDATORY part of the athlete check-in process. Wristbands are required for entry into the stadium. Please note that bib numbers and athlete wristbands have corresponding numbers. Be sure that each athlete's bib number matches the number on their wristband. Multi-event athletes competing in the track and field competition will use the same race number for both competitions. It is the responsibility of the head coach and parents to ensure that all of his/her athletes receive their race (bib) numbers as part of the check-in process. Coaches may pick up the numbers for their athletes.

**COMPETITOR
CHECK-IN:**

TRACK: Track athletes for running events will report to Clerk's tent, **one hour** before the start of their event.

FIELD: Field event athletes will report to the chief official of that event, **no less than one hour** before the start of their event.

Athletes who fail to report on time will not be allowed to compete in that event, after check-in has been closed for his or her flight. (Check-in is closed when the first athlete begins competition in each flight.) It is the athletes, coaches, and parents responsibility (not the officials) to see that athletes report on time.

RELAYS:

DURING THE ONLINE DECLARATION PROCESS, YOU MUST REGISTER AND PAY THE ENTRY FEE FOR EACH ATHLETE (INCLUDING ALTERNATES) LISTED ON EACH RELAY TEAM; OTHERWISE THE ENTIRE RELAY TEAM WILL BE SCRATCHED.

FINAL DECLARATION OF RELAY ROSTERS WILL TAKE PLACE ONSITE AT PACKET PICK-UP AT THE OLMSTEAD CENTER. ATHLETES MUST BE ON THE ROSTER AND CAN BE MOVED ONTO OR OFF A RELAY AT THAT TIME.

AN ATHLETE CANNOT BE ENTERED AS A MEMBER, OR AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER, ON MORE THAN ONE RELAY TEAM FOR THE SAME RELAY EVENT.

**MULTI-EVENTS
SCORING TABLES:**

The IAAF scoring tables will be used for all Age Divisions. Boys hurdle races shorter than 110 meters are scored from the Men's 110 meter hurdle tables. Girls hurdle races shorter than 100 meters are scored from the Women's 100 meter hurdle tables. Times for 11 Year Old Boys and 12 Year Old Boys 80 meter hurdles shall be multiplied by 1.13 prior to entering the tables; For the 11 Year Old Girls and 12 Year Old Girls 80 meter hurdles, multiply by 1.07. These calculations are included in the Hy-Tek program used for scoring purposes.

MULTI-EVENTS RULES:

The rules of the NGB shall apply, with the following Multi-Events differences:

- In the long jump, shot put, discus throw, and the javelin throw, each competitor shall be allowed three (3) trials only.
- No penalty shall be imposed for the first false start, but the Starter shall disqualify the offender or offenders on the second false start. False starts are called on individuals, not on the field.

**THROWING
IMPLEMENTS:**

Shots and Discus will be furnished by meet management. This does not preclude the use of the athlete's own implement if they meet the required weight and measurement specifications. When accepted, implements become the property of the meet until that event has been completed. Competitors must provide their own Javelins.

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 MUST be filed on official protest forms, must include the Rule #, the page # in the Rule Book, 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. 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.

AWARDS:

AAU Junior Olympic Games medals will be awarded to the top eight (8) finishers in each age division and a plaque will be awarded to the first place relay team in each age division. The first place individual finisher and first place relay team in each event and each age division will be honored as "All American" and receive the appropriate patch.

COACHES:

The coaches' entry fee is **\$40.00 per coach**. Coaches must register online at www.aaujrogames.org. There will be a **\$10.00 late fee for coaches registering on-site at check-in**.

You can no longer register for non-athlete (coach) membership onsite at the event. New this year, background screens are conducted for all non-athletes and adult athletes. Membership is no longer instant and can take up to ten days to be processed. BE PREPARED and register for membership early.

Club coaches will receive coaches' passes for a club/team based on the following formula.

1-8 Athletes	NO Complimentary Coaches Pass for club (\$40.00 coach entry fee must be paid)
9-16 Athletes	One (1) complimentary Coaches Pass per club
17-25 Athletes	Two (2) complimentary Coaches Passes per club
Over 25 Athletes*	Three (3) complimentary Coaches Passes per club

***A maximum of three (3) complimentary Coaches Passes will be given to any club. All coaches must register online to receive the complimentary pass. COACHES MUST HAVE AN APPROVED AAU MEMBERSHIP PRIOR TO REGISTERING.** Additional coaches may also register online and pay the **\$40.00 coaches' entry fee. ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE.** Entry fees are per coach, no substitutions are allowed.

A coaches' pass will consist of a wristband that must be worn during the length of the event.

Unattached or single coaches can register online at www.aaujrogames.org. Click on Sports, Track & Field and select Coaches Credentials. Once on the coaches page, select Unattached Coach and follow the directions.

INSTRUCTIONS ON RECEIVING CLUB/TEAM COACHES PASSES:

1. The Club/Team Contact can visit www.aaujrogames.org, click on Sports, Track & Field and select Coaches Credentials. You can also use the Coaches Pass link from your CoachO.com account.
2. You will need your PIN number from the Coach O system.
3. Once on the Coaches Registration page, you will need to login under your Club name and your club's PIN number from the Coach O system. If you do not know your PIN, check the Team Setting page in your Coach O account. **Please note: your team will not appear on the site until approximately 1 hour after you have paid for your athlete. You must register and pay for your athletes before registering coaches.**
4. You will need to enter the coaches' AAU membership number and zip code listed on their AAU card.
5. You will be given complimentary coach entry(s) based on the formula above and/or will be charged for any additional coaches. Please note that it does take approximately 1 hour after you register an athlete for him/her to count towards your club total.
6. **NO REFUNDS will be given for coaches. Coaches' passes are non-transferable.**

REMINDER: COMPLIMENTARY PASSES WILL ONLY BE MADE AVAILABLE ACCORDING TO THE ABOVE PRESCRIBED FORMULA. ALL COACHES (those who receive a complimentary pass or pay the entry fee) MUST BE CURRENT AAU MEMBERS AND PRESENT THEIR MEMBERSHIP CARD AT CHECK-IN.

**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.

**FINISH ZONE /
ATHLETE EXIT:**

For running events and the high jump, the athletes will exit the competition through the awards area. Parents and coaches please meet your athletes at that location as they exit from the competition. For field events, athletes will be released at the field event competition location.

TENTS:

Tents, sport-brellas, tarps or other shading devices will only be allowed in the upper rows of designated areas in the stadium. Tents in the bleacher sections near the press box are prohibited. Tents left overnight are not the responsibility of the AAU, Des Moines Sports Commission or Drake University.

COOLERS:

Only credentialed athletes and coaches will be allowed to bring personal use coolers inside the stadium. Anyone with medical needs will be allowed as well. Size limitations will be in effect for coolers. Additional information will be posted online prior to the event. Coolers are subject to search as are all other bags, jackets, etc.

WATER:

Water stations will be located at all event areas, clerking tent and finish line.

TRANSPORTATION:

All athletes, coaches, and fans are responsible for their own transportation to and from all activities, events, and hotels.

PARKING:

Some locations at Drake University may have parking fees. Parking regulations are strictly enforced on campus. Please obey all posted parking regulations. Additional parking maps will be available online at www.aaujrogames.org. Also, please note that some downtown hotels may charge for parking at the hotel. Please contact your hotel for more information on hotel parking.

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.

**CELEBRATION OF
ATHLETES:**

The Celebration of Athletes will be held on July 28, 2014 at Drake Stadium at 7:00 pm. You won't want to miss this year's Celebration! More information will be posted at www.aaujrogames.org when available.

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.

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.

**FOR MORE
INFORMATION:**

AAU National Headquarters

Trevor Hartwig

407-828-2723

trevor@aausports.org

Crystal Mannino

407-828-2660

crystal@aausports.org

Meet Director

Charles Oliver

865-207-4868

coachotrack@gmail.com

Assistant Meet Director

Chad Culver

423-827-4977

c2sports@aol.com

CATCH

GREATER DES MOINES ATTRACTIONS

<http://www.catchdesmoines.com/things-to-do/attractions/>