



2014 AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES BASEBALL



- LOCATION:** Beaverdale Sports Complex, 5356 NW Beaver Drive, Des Moines, IA 50310
- DATES:**
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| Thursday, July 24, 2014 | Team Check-In (8:00 am to 4:00 pm) |
| Thursday, July 24, 2014 | Coaches Meeting (TBA) |
| Friday, July 25, 2014 | Competition |
| Saturday, July 26, 2014 | Competition |
| Sunday, July 27, 2014 | Competition |
| Monday, July 28, 2014 | Competition and Finals |
| Monday, July 28, 2014 | Celebration of Athletes (Drake Stadium) |
- AGE DIVISIONS:** Boys 11U Championship – athletes born on or after May 1, 2002
Boys 12U Championship – athletes born on or after May 1, 2001
- QUALIFICATION:** This is an open event. No pre-qualification is required.
- AAU MEMBERSHIP:** **All clubs, athletes, bench personnel (coaches/scorekeeper) and bat persons must be current members of the AAU.** Club membership starts at \$30. Individual membership is \$14 per youth athlete and \$16 per non-athlete (coach, scorekeeper, team representative). The cost of membership is in addition to the entry fee. To become a member, join online at www.aausports.org.
- You can no longer register for non-athlete (coach) membership onsite. Background screens are conducted for all non-athletes and adult athletes. Membership is no longer instant. BE PREPARED and register your coaches early!** For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/1jkiUx6>.
- ENTRY FEE:** \$595 per team. Entry fees are non-refundable.
- ONLINE REGISTRATION & ENTRY DEADLINE:** **STEP 1 – Register your team online. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE BY JULY 11.**
- ONLINE REGISTRATION:** Visit www.aaujrogames.org to register your team online. Visa, Master Card, American Express and Discover accepted.
- STEP 2 – Complete your team roster online. THIS STEP IS REQUIRED.**
- Rosters including all athletes, bench personnel (coaches/scorekeeper), bat persons and team administrator must be submitted online. This is required. You can make changes to your roster at Team Check-In;** however any additions must have a current AAU membership. You can no longer register for membership onsite.
- Each team will consist of up to 20 players, 4 bench personnel (coaches/scorekeeper), 2 bat-persons and 1 team administrator.**
- 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 have 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.

RULES OF PLAY:

The most current High School Baseball Rules as published by the National Federation of State High School Districts except where modified (see AAU Baseball Handbook):
http://image.ausports.org/handbooks/baseball/Baseball_Handbook.pdf

An abbreviated handbook with tournament rules is posted at www.aubaseball.org. It is strongly recommended that coaches print this abbreviated version and have it with them at all times during the tournament. Note that coaches are responsible to familiarize themselves with all AAU rules and policies as described in the full AAU Baseball Handbook and not just those playing rules highlighted in the abbreviated rules.

AWARDS:

AAU Junior Olympic Games medals will be awarded to the members of the top three (3) teams.

TEAM CHECK-IN:

A team representative must check-in the team at the **Iowa Events Center on July 24 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm**. The Iowa Events Center is located at 730 3rd Street, Des Moines, IA 50309. At check-in, athlete credentials and bench personnel wristbands will be distributed. The appropriate credential or wristband will be needed prior to gaining admittance into the competition venues. *There is a replacement fee for lost credentials or wristbands.* Parking fees do apply for the lots around the Iowa Events Center. For check-in hours, maps and additional directions please visit www.aaujrogames.org (click on Event Info, then Registration).

COACHES MEETING:

A coaches meeting will take place on July 24. The location and time of the meeting will be announced after the entry deadline.

CELEBRATION OF ATHLETES:

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

TRANSPORTATION:

Participants and spectators are responsible for their own transportation to and from all activities, events, and hotels.

PARKING:

Some locations may have parking fees. Please visit www.aaujrogames.org (click on Event Info, Maps & Parking) for more information.

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.

FOOD:

All AAU Junior Olympic Games facilities maintain exclusive rights to concessions. Outside food and beverage are not permitted throughout the duration of the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

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 can not 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.

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