



AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES GYMNASTICS

LOCATION: George R. Brown Convention Center - 1001 Avenida De Las Americas, Houston, TX 77010

DATES: *Participants should check-in the day prior to their competition.*

Tuesday, July 22 (10:00 am-6:00 pm)	Registration	George R. Brown Convention Center
Wednesday, July 23	Competition	George R. Brown Convention Center
Thursday, July 24	Competition	George R. Brown Convention Center
Friday, July 25	Competition	George R. Brown Convention Center
Saturday, July 26	Competition	George R. Brown Convention Center

*** YOU MAY CHECK-IN THE DAY BEFORE YOUR COMPETITION. Check Meet Schedule to see when you compete.**

AGE GROUPS: Ages 5-18. Awards groups based on registrations.

QUALIFICATION: **Open Division:** Level 8-10, Diamond, Sapphire & Open Optional do not require prior participation in AAU or minimum qualification score to register. Gymnasts at these higher levels compete together under one set of rules (modified level 8).

National Team Members: Level 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Copper, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum must qualify to the AAU Junior Olympic Games by securing a spot as an AAU National Team Member at AAU Nationals. Gymnasts registered to AAU Nationals that achieve the top 6 scores on each individual event or the top place All-Around, per level, per session at AAU Nationals are identified as the AAU National Team. Gymnasts at these levels MUST have qualified to AAU Nationals by prior participation in AAU to attend the AAU Junior Olympic Games. These levels are not open to gymnasts without prior AAU participation.

DECLARATION: Clubs must indicate at Coaches Check-In at AAU Nationals if they wish for some, all or none of their gymnasts to be eligible to register for the AAU Junior Olympic Games prior to their athlete's session. Parents of National Team Members will be asked to register their athlete into the AAU Junior Olympic Games and submit payment after being announced as a National Team Member, immediately following their awards ceremony. *Reminder- gymnasts at level 8, Diamond, Sapphire & Open Optional do not have the same qualification standards and can register for AAU Junior Olympic Games until the stated entry deadline.

AAU MEMBERSHIP: All athletes and coaches must be members of the AAU. AAU added benefit membership is \$22.00 per youth athlete and \$79.00 per coach (non-athlete 2-year membership). Join on-line at aausports.org. **BE PREPARED and register your coaches early! You can no longer register for non-athlete (coach) membership onsite at the event, background screens are conducted for all non-athletes and adult athletes. Membership is no longer instant.**

ENTRY FEES: The entry fee is \$115.00 per gymnast. Coaches Entry Fee is \$50. On-site Coach Entry Fee is \$60. All athlete and coach entry fees are non-refundable. We will have a coach's hospitality area this year that will be included in your entry fee.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE at www.aaujrogames.org.

ONLINE REGISTRATION & ENTRY DEADLINE

Open Division: All individual entries must be completed online by the deadline of Monday, June 23, 2025. AAU membership is required to register.

Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover is accepted. You will need to have your AAU membership at the time of registering. After registering online, you will receive an email confirming your entry and acceptance of payment.

National Team Members: Must register ON SITE at AAU Nationals upon receiving AAU National Team Member designation. Registration closes on Monday, June 23, 2025. AAU Membership is required to register. The Local Organizing Committee and the AAU have spent many hours planning and preparing for this AAU Event. To make it a great success, we are asking for your cooperation. It is the responsibility of the parent, coach, instructor, and athlete to ensure that the application is in on time and complete in every detail.

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 Local Organizing Committee 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 regarding location and other amenities.

All reservations are handled through the Local Organizing Committee. DO NOT CONTACT THE HOTELS DIRECTLY AS YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THE DISCOUNTED RATE. Please visit the website at www.aaujrogame.org and click on hotels to make your reservations. Please check online regarding deposit requirements and cancellation policies which may vary depending on hotel. AAU is not responsible for any refunds from cancellation.

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.

ONSITE CHECK-IN: Gymnastics participants must check-in at the George R. Brown Convention Center to receive their athlete credential or coach wristband. The appropriate credential or wristband will be needed prior to gaining admittance into the competition venues. Participants can check-in the day prior to competing. You are welcome to check-in the day of. *If that credential or wristband is lost or stolen there will be a replacement fee.* For check-in hours, maps and additional directions please visit <https://aausports.org/junior-olympic-games/> (click on Event Info, then Registration).

COMPETITION FORMAT Modified Capital Cup.

SCHEDULE: Session times to be determined by 7/1/25 based on registrations. All gymnasts will compete in the all-around/ preliminary competition on Wednesday/Thursday and only top scoring gymnasts will advance to the event finals on Friday/Saturday.

DAY 1 & 2- Preliminary/All-Around Competition

Wednesday, July 23 & Thursday, July 24: Gymnasts compete on 1-4 apparatus(es) of their choice (vault, bars, beam, floor) for a chance to win the all-around title for their level in addition to qualifying as a top finalist to advance to Event Finals the following day. Each athlete will compete in one preliminary session on Day 1 or Day 2 for the all-around title/event final preliminaries.

*Only top placing athletes will advance to Event Finals on Day 3/4.

**Total # of placements OR top percentage of athletes per event advancing to Event Finals on Day 3/4 will be based on registrations and awards groups.

DAY 3 & 4- Event Finals

Friday, July 25 & Saturday, July 26: Gymnasts who achieved top rankings in Day 1/2 advance to compete a second time in the event(s) they qualified for, for individual event titles. These sessions showcase the highest-ranking athletes at each event nationwide and have a limited number of competitors making this the premier event!

AWARDS: Individual & all around athletes will receive custom AAU Junior Olympic Games medals awarded to 100% of participants. Awards groups follow AAU Gymnastics policies: maximum of 14 gymnasts per awards group.

ATTIRE: District or Competition leotards worn for competition. District or Junior Olympic athlete shirt, athletic bottoms to be worn for Opening Ceremonies. Coaches follow apparel requirements per AAU Gymnastics National Rules.

PARKING: Some locations may have parking fees. Please visit aausports.org/junior-olympic-games/ and click on Maps & Directions for more information. Also, some hotels may charge for parking. Please check with your hotel for specific information as prices vary.

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

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. No coolers at any venue.

CELEBRATION OF ATHLETES:

The Celebration of Athletes will be held on **Monday, July 28, 2025**. Athletes from all sports will gather at the track & field stadium, line up by their district with athletes from other sports for the JO Games Opening Ceremony. More information will be posted at <https://aausports.org/junior-olympic-games/> as it becomes 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 \$20.00 (3 & under free) and includes admission to all competition venues on the designated day only. Event passports are \$50.00 (3 & under free). For more information on ticket options, please visit <https://aausports.org/junior-olympic-games/>.

DISTRICT PARADE OF CHAMPIONS: **Saturday, July 26 (time TBA)** - gymnasts will march in together by district at the beginning of the event finals (athletes who did not advance to event finals are encouraged to attend this as well). Senior recognition as well as other special awards will also be presented at this time.

SCHEDULE: Session times to be determined by 7/1/25. The competition will be on Wednesday, July 23 - Saturday, July 26 and the multi-sport Opening Ceremonies will be on Monday, July 28, 2025.

RULES: Open Division: Gymnasts in levels 8-10, Diamond, Sapphire, Open Optional follow ONE set of rules (see the AAU Gymnastics Junior Olympic Games Rules online for more details) like high school gymnastics rules (modified level 8).

National Team Members: Gymnasts in level 1-7, Copper, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum will follow their level specific rules per the 'rules of the sport' with National AAU modifications & allowances (found at aaugymnastics.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 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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**2025 AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES WOMEN'S
ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS RULES**

Modified Level 8 Rules with Level 9/10 Bonus

**Refer to AAU Girls Gymnastics National Program Allowances for additional program rules*

GENERAL	<p>9.7 Start Value +0.30 Connection and Difficulty Bonus (achieved from either or both categories) *Extra +0.10 E Bonus on bars & E acro on floor/ beam No difficulty restrictions No composition deductions Warm-up 2 minutes, Routines not timed</p>	<p align="center">Special Requirements @ .50 each</p> <p align="center">Value Parts 4 "A" 4 "B" 0 "C"</p>
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BARS Special Requirements @ .50 each	<p>1) Minimum 1 Bar Change 2) Minimum of "B" 360-degree circling skill 3) Minimum of "B" release, turn or 2nd 360-degree circling skill (different from #2) 4.) Salto dismount *NO CAST ANGLE DEDUCTIONS</p>	<p align="center">BONUS +0.10 C+C without turn/flight +0.10 C+C with one turn/flight</p> <hr/> <p align="center">+0.20 C+C both with turn/flight</p> <hr/> <p align="center">+0.20 C+D without turn/flight</p>
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BEAM Special Requirements @ .50 each	<p>1) Acro series with min. 2 directly connected elements- one with flight (no mount/dismount) 2) Leap/Jump that requires 180 degree cross/side split 3) Min. 360 degree turn on one foot 4) Salto/Aerial dismount, min. A</p>	<p align="center">BONUS +0.10 B+C Acro (C must be salto/aerial)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">+0.20 B+B+C Acro (C must be salto, includes dismount)</p> <p align="center">Follow Level 10 Bonus</p>
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FLOOR Special Requirements @ .50 each	<p>1) Acro pass with min. 2 saltos directly or indirectly connected (same or different) 2) Three different saltos within the exercise (no aerials) 3) Dance passage with min. two different Group 1 elements (directly or indirectly connected), with a leap requiring 180 degree cross/side split 4) Min. A salto performed as last isolated salto or within last salto connection</p>	<p align="center">BONUS Follow Level 10 Bonus</p>
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