

# 2024 AAU PRESIDENTIAL WORLD CUP (Baton Twirling, Dance and Guard)



LOCATION: Orange County Convention Center, 9800 International Dr. Orlando, FI 32819

DATES: Friday, February 16, 2024

Saturday, February 17, 2024 Sunday, February 18, 2024

Athlete/Coach Check-In

OCCC- Meeting Room W232 Competition OCCC- Room West Hall E2 Competition OCCC- Room West Hall E2

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Open to all current AAU Members

**RULES:** All athletes andcoaches must be current AAUmembers. Tojoin, visit www.aausports.org and click Join AAU to

become a member of AAU. 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 and can take up to 10 business days.

**AGE DIVISIONS:** Individual Baton Solo Events: 0-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-15, 16-18; 19-22, 23+( Adult)

Boys Baton Solo: (boys will be separate from girls in one-baton solo only): 5-9, 10-14, 15+

Dance-Twirl Freestyle: 5-9; 10-12; 13-15; 16-18; 19-22

Novelty Solo: (All Levels) 5-9; 19-22; (Beg/Adv Levels) 10-12; 13-15; 16-18

Teams average ages: 0-6 (Tot), 7-9 (Juvenile),10-13( Jr), 4- 18( Sr),19-22 College( University/College)

Corps average ages: 0-9 (Juvenile), 10-13(Junior), 14-18(Senior)

Auxiliary Team: Elementary(1st Grade -5th Grade, Junior High (6th Grade - 8th Grade), Senior High(9th

Grade – 12th Grade), Collegiate (University/College)

**Baton Individual Events: EVENTS:** 

One Baton, Two Baton, Three Baton, Multiple Baton. X-Strut, Straight-Line Strut, Parade Strut, Basic Strut, Military Strut, Novelty Solo, Dance-Twirl Freestyle, Collegiate Half-Time Routine, Collegiate Down-field Strut,

Presidential Solo Cup Title events.

Individual Baton Status Level: Challenger, Novice, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Elite will be offered. College level will also be offered in the Presidential Solo Cup Title event, Collegiate Half-Time and Collegiate

Down field Strut events.

\*NEW EVENT: SPORTS PRESS TWIRLING PRESENTATION: Contestants will be interviewed by a "Sports Reporter" and have the

opportunity to present their twirling and performance skills. Twirlers will be interviewed about baton twirling and their twirling experiences and present a 30 second routine in a designated area as though a camera was filming. Routine may exist of

twirling (one baton, strutting, and poses to display twirler's skills and represent the best of baton twirling.

Age Divisions: Elementary School, Middle School, High School, Collegiate.

Baton Teams- Twirling Team (March Music), Dance-Twirl Team, Novelty Twirl Team, Street Parade Team, Show- Twirl Team, College Majorette Line, Auxiliary Teams (Pom Line, Dance Line, Drill Team, Guard, Majorette Line). Beginner and

Advanced Status.

BatonTeamSizes-

Extra-Small Team (Twirling Team, Dance-Twirl Team, Novelty Twirl Team, Auxiliary Majorettes): 2-3 athletes **TEAM SIZES** 

Small Teams 4-9 athletes; Large Teams 10-19 athletes; Extra Large Teams 20+

Dance Individual/Team Events: **DANCE** 

Jazz, Lyrical, Hip Hop, Contemporary and Pom

**Dance Team Sizes:** 

Small Teams: 4-10 dancers; Large Teams:11-20 dancers; Extra Large Teams: 21+ dancers

#### Age Divisions:

- Mini Under 8 years
- Preteen 8-12 years
- Junior 13-15 years
- Youth 16-18 years
- Senior 19-20 years
- Adult 21+ years

GUARD: Guard Solos:

All Times: 2 minutes max

All Gymnastics: Same as Twirling Rules

Music: Music of Choice

Division: Solo Tall Flag, Solo Sabre, Solo Rifle, Solo Variety (Mix of any Guard equipment; must use at least 2 items)

#### **Guard Teams:**

All Times: 3 minutes max

All Gymnastics: Same as Twirling Rules

Music: Music of Choice

Division: Tall Flag Rifle, Variety (Mix of any Guard equipment; must use at least 2 items)

#### Winter Guard:

All Times: 8 minutes max

All Gymnastics: same as Twirling Rules

Music: Music of Choice Division: One Division for All.

# **BATON TITLE EVENTS**

- 1. AAU COLLEGIATE SOLO CUP (Collegiate Halftime + Collegiate Down field + Sports Press Twirling Presentation)
- 2. AAU HIGH SCHOOL SOLO CUP (Novelty Solo + Solo One Baton +Sports Press Twirling Presentation)
- 3. AAU MIDDLE SCHOOL SOLO CUP (Novelty Solo + Solo One Baton + Sports Press Twirling Presentation)

\*(Your Solo One Baton Determines your Title Status)

- 1. AAU INTERNATIONAL CUP: INT/ADVANCED LEVEL ONLY (One Baton Solo + X-Strut + Multi)
- 2. AAU TWIRLING CHAMPION CUP: NOV & BEG LEVELS (One Baton Solo + Basic + Parade Strut)

#### \*NEW EVENT:

3. AAU WORLD TWIRLING CHALLENGE: High School and Collegiate Twirlers can vie for the title of 2024 Twirler of All Trades.

This is a two-part competition. Part A will consist of the athletes competing with a Novelty Solo routine to music of their choice (AAU Novelty Solo Time Limit Applies). The Top 3 winners for each division will advance to finals. In the final's competition, athletes will be given a set song to which they must choreograph a one baton Dance-Twirl Solo (Time limit will be 1:30 Max). Along with the regular criteria, athletes will be judged on creativity, expressiveness, and their interpretation of the musical selection. A cash prize will be awarded.

EVENT COST: REGISTRATION PER ATHLETE: \$45.00 (included t-shirt and bag)

Baton, Dance and Guard Individual Events: \$20.00 per event

Corps and Team Events: \$15 per athlete per event

## Titles:

AAU Solo Title Cup Events: \$50

All AAU International Cup Event: \$40

AAU Twirling Champion Cup: \$40

AAU World Twirl Challenge Event: \$40

\*ADDITIONAL FEES THAT REQUIRE SEPARATE FEE (Educational classes: \$10 each)

AAU MEMBERSHIP:

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REGISTRATION & ENTRY DEADLINE:

All Entries must be completed on line no later than Monday, January 5, 2024 at www.aaubaton.org. Visa, Master Card, American Express or Discover are accepted. All fees are non- refundable.

You will need to have your AAU membership at the time of registering for the AAU Twirling Presidential World Cup. After registering Online for the events, you will receive an email confirming your entry and acceptance of payment. Once you have registered and paid Online, there is no need to send in any paperwork.

The Local Organizing Committee and the AAU Twirling Presidential World Cup committee 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 coach, parent, instructor, and athlete to ensure that the application is complete in every detail and processed on time.

COACHES, BE PREPARED AND REGISTER EARLY! You may no longer register for non-athlete (coach) membership on site at the event. New this year, background screening is conducted for all non-athlete and adult members. Membership is no longer instant.

AGE DETERMINATION:

The athlete's age will be determined by the athlete's actual age as of July 27, 2024 (this is the athlete/coach check-in for the 2024 AAU Twirling Presidential World Cup Competition).

MUSIC:

Music must be sent in electronically by January 5, 2024. All music must be uploaded on the on-line registration form. You should also bring a copy of your music in case upload does not work.

**ONSITE CHECK-IN:** 

Baton Twirling and Dance participants must check-in at **The Orange County Convention Center Room W232** to receive their athlete credentials and wristband. The appropriate credential and wristband will be needed prior to gaining admittance into the competition venue. If that credential or wristband is lost or stolen, there will be a replacement fee.

**HOTELS** 

The OCCC Committee has carefully selected a host hotel for participants with accommodations near the Convention Center. Here is a link for hotel near the hotel. https://www.aausportshotels.com/aautwirling.

**PARKING** 

The OCCC will offer a parking rate of for 2024 at center-owned parking lots for this event. The community rates are \$15 per vehicle per day. Attendees shall be allowed re-entry on the same day with a paid receipt in center-owned lots, based on availability. **Prices are subject to change** and parking is based on availability. This rate may not be honored by other parking facilities.

**TRANSPORTATION** 

All participants and spectators are responsible for their own transportation to and from all activities, events and hotel.

**SECURITY** 

The OCCC facility maintains the right to search any bags, backpacks, purses, jackets etc. throughout the duration of the competition.

**FOOD** 

The OCCC facility maintains exclusive rights to concessions. Outside food and beverages are not permitted throughout the duration of this event.

Please note that you must check-in and pick up your credentials prior to receiving admittance into the venue. You must pick up the required wristband and credential at Check-in Day.

ADMISSION FEE

Spectator Fee: \$25 One Day, \$40 Two Day. Children under 3 FREE!!

# **COMPETITION SCHEDULE:**

### 2024 AAU Presidential World Cup Schedule:

NOTE: More info on separate flyers for Educational classes and clinics.

### **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

Athletes & Coaches Check-In (3pm-7pm)

### **Educational Classses**

6-7pm- Class Hair 101 (Natalea)

7-8pm- Class on Make-up (Natalea)

6-7pm Class on Twirling Interview (Cookie)

7-8pm- Judges Class (Cookie)

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17 (Competition Starts 8am)

#### **EVENTS ARE IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER**

- World Twirling Challenge (Part 1)
- Solo Competition for Sport Press Twirling Presentation, Basic, Military & Parade Strut, Solo, Two Baton, Three Baton, Multiple and Struts.
- Collegiate Downfield
- Collegiate Half-Time
- Presidential Solo Cup Title Events with Own Music
- Award Ceremony following all events.

#### **SUNDAY. FEBRUARY 18** Competition Starts 8am

#### **EVENTS ARE IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER**

- World Twirling Challenge (Part 2)
- All Baton Team/Corp and Dance Team
- Dance-Twirl Freestyles
- All Novelty Solos
- All Dance Events
- All Guard Events
- Baton Twirling Educational Classes and Clinic-Time 1-4:00pm
- · Award Ceremony following the classes.
- Reception to Kick offthe AAU Lettering Program

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