

2016 MIDWEST AAU GIRLS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

 4TH, 5TH, 6TH, 7TH, 8TH GRADE 
 DIVISION I, II & III CHAMPIONSHIPS 
 July 1st – 3rd 

HOSTED BY: CINCINNATI HEAT PREMIER & BUTLER COUNTY VISITORS BUREAU
KINGS ISLAND / WEST CHESTER, OHIO

COACHES INFORMATION

DATES:	JULY 1 ST – JULY 3 RD , 2016
FACILITIES:	Courts 4 Sports, Lakota West high school & Sports Plus.
ENTRY FEE:	Division I, II & III - \$350.00 Entry Fee \$200 if received prior to May 1st *Once a team enters the tournament refunds will not be given.
ENTRY DEADLINE:	All materials must be RECEIVED via Online Registration by THURSDAY, JUNE 11 TH , 2015. On-line registration will open 2/1/16 at aauinbutlercounty.com
SPECTATOR ADMISSION:	Daily admission will be available for \$10.00 per adult, \$5.00 per youth (ages 6-14), 5 and under free. A Length of Event pass will also be available for \$25.00 per adult (includes Tournament Program), \$12.00 per youth (ages 6-14).
OPENING CEREMONY:	TBD
REGISTRATION:	Your registration time will be assigned and posted along with the schedule on www.aauinbutlercounty.com . COACHES and ATHLETES MUST BE AT REGISTRATION AT ASSIGNED TIME.
COACH VERIFICATION:	All bench personnel must be present and show government issued photo ID in order to receive credentials. NO EXCEPTIONS
COACHES' MEETINGS:	Coaches' meeting tentatively scheduled on FRIDAY, JULY 1 st , 2016 – more details to follow.
ELIGIBLE TEAMS:	All AAU Girls Basketball teams.

RULES OF PLAY: This Midwest AAU Championship (Grades 4-7) will be played under 2014-2015 National Federation of State High School Association Rules, except where amended by the AAU Girls Basketball Handbook.

SCHEDULES/RESULTS: Schedules and results will be posted at www.aauinbutlercounty.com

GAME FORMAT: Tournament shall follow game times as established by the AAU Girls Basketball Handbook.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT: July 1 – Registration / Pool Play
July 2 – Pool Play / Bracket Play
July 3 – Pool Play / Bracket Play
July 4 – Enjoy Kings Island Amusement Park

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.

MERCY RULE: 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.

AWARDS: Each athlete and registered coach on the top four finishing teams in the Championship Bracket will receive a finalist medal and a team trophy. Each athlete and registered coach on the top four finishing teams in the Classic Bracket will receive a finalist medal and a team trophy.

ROSTER: All athletes and non-athletes allowed on the bench must hold a current AAU membership.

GRADE DETERMINATION: Tournament shall follow Grade Determination rules as established by the AAU Girls Basketball Handbook.

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

TEAM DOCUMENTATION: Each team MUST present "ELIGIBILITY MATERIALS" for review. Coaches must provide a government ID in order to coach in the event. The "ELIGIBILITY MATERIALS" must contain:

1. Copy of the team AAU Roster to be used at the event.
2. Copy of each athlete's Proof of Grade.
3. Copy of each athlete's Proof of Age.

The "ELIGIBILITY MATERIALS" will be collected at your assigned registration time for review by a member of the Midwest AAU Championships Tournament Staff. Failure to have proper documentation at registration or during the event may result in athlete or team disqualification. Acceptable documents can be found at www.aagirlsbasketball.org in the Rule Book.

PROTESTS:

For Midwest AAU Championships 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 Tournament Director-in-Charge. All decisions of the Eligibility Committee shall be final.

CODE OF CONDUCT:

Players' and coaches' 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 Tournament 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. The Tournament Director shall consider the appeal. The Tournament Directors 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 Tournament Eligibility Committee for any period up to the duration of the tournament.
6. The Tournament 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.

UNIFORMS:

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 must have LIGHT and DARK jerseys. The Home team wears White jerseys and Visitor wears Dark jerseys. The top/left team on the schedule shall be the 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. We highly recommend you bring both LIGHT and DARK uniforms to each scheduled game.

COACHES' ATTIRE:

All non-uniformed persons on the bench shall wear dress shorts, long pants, shirts with collars and sleeves and dress shoes or tennis shoes during play at the Midwest AAU Championships. Jeans, jean shorts, sweat pants, mesh shorts, tee shirts, hats and open-toed shoes are not permitted. Any non-athlete on the bench will be removed until properly attired. Violation of this rule shall result in a two shot technical foul. The violator will be removed from the bench.

WARM-UP & GAME BALLS:

Basketballs are provided DO NOT bring basketballs to games.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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All participants must have a current AAU membership.

AAU membership may not be included as part of the entry fee to the event.

AAU membership must be obtained before the competition begins except where the event operator has a laptop available with an internet connection.

BE PREPARED: Adult and Non-Athlete memberships are no longer instant and cannot be applied for at the event. Please allow up to 10 days for membership to be processed.

Participants are encouraged to visit the AAU web site www.aausports.org to obtain their membership.