



## 2019 TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

## AAU Partnership:

MJVBA Association Championships/AAU Grand Prix is an AAU Sanctioned Volleyball Event. The first place team in 4 divisions in each age will receive a free/partial entry to the AAU National Championships in Orlando, Florida. The fee waiver is awarded by the National AAU Office and is based on 12 teams in a division or an average of 12 teams in an age group with a minimum of 4 in the division, In order to be eligible for the fee waiver, the team must be signed up and compete in the same or lower division at AAU nationals. **The free entries are team awards and may not be passed to another team in your club.** If the 1<sup>st</sup> Place does not accept the free entry will be passed to the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team

## Facility/Food Rules:

1. The safety of every player and spectator is a high priority and steps by our security personnel will be taken to ensure everyone's safety. **All parents/spectators are limited to carrying in to a small personal size bag.** Be aware that if anything looks suspicious will be subject to search by our security team. Anyone refusing a search will not be admitted into the facility.
2. **Keep in mind this is a volleyball tournament- NOT A FOODFEST**
3. **Tournament Facility rules**
  - \*No Outside Drink or Food allowed in any facility
  - \*Players may bring a sack lunch for **themselves** in their duffle bag. Water/Gatorade is permitted in player duffle bags.
  - \*No Hot Drinks allowed in playing areas
  - \*No Team Tables (You may **not** bring in your own table).
  - \*No electrical devices (no use of electrical outlets)
  - \*No coolers or picnic baskets allowed.
  - \* **NO wagons**
  - \*There will be a greater variety of food selections and lower prices at DeVos Place.
  - \*DeVos will have a coffee cappuccino bar in the lobby
  - \*Tailgating is permitted at most sites as long as you clean up.
4. No smoking includes vapor. It is illegal to smoke on any school property
5. NO animals in any facility.
6. Teams are expected to provide their own balls for warm-ups. Ball handling is to be done only on the playing courts or practice gym. No pepper in the hallways. **No boom boxes or other sound amplification devices are to be used. Violation of this rule may result in a red card and point to start the match.**
7. Clean up your bench area when you leave. Please respect these facilities so we may continue to use them in the future.

## **Admission-**

- \*All facilities- \$10 for adults. \$5 for seniors & students grade K-12. Veterans show your ID for \$5 admission
- \*Ages 5 & under are free as long as under adult supervision at all times.
- \*This is a per day admission.

## Registration:

1. Official AAU Roster.
  - Official AAU to AES import rosters are due by 5/20/19
  - Email rosters to [staterosters@gmail.com](mailto:staterosters@gmail.com)
  - In subject put name club Name rosters
  - When emailing the team roster please save the roster as the team name appears on AES.
  - If sending more than one roster please put them all into one folder and then save it as a zip file. That way you can send them all at once rather than one roster at a time.
  - Please do not have each individual coach send their rosters
  - All team rosters must come from the club director.
2. A club or team representative is responsible to pick up tournament information at their playing site prior to their first match and to sign and verify or turn in a signed AAU rosters. A copy of the correct roster must be turned in and signed prior to playing. The only acceptable rosters are verified AAU roster in AES.
3. No hand written or typed rosters accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS. NO ROSTER- NO PLAY!
4. Team Check-in will begin at all sites on Saturday at 7:00am
5. **Teams playing at DeVos** on Saturday may check in Friday from 4:00pm – 8:00pm
6. Club Directors if you are not coaching stop by DeVos Friday evening, Sat or Sun for your all tournament pass
7. We would also encourage all teams to have their team's roster completed and accurate on AES. Parents/grandparents/friends will be able to locate where a team is actually playing. We also produce a recruiting packet through AES that is available to college coaches.

## Match and Forfeit Times:

Matches will begin 10 minutes from the conclusion of the preceding match. Warm-ups may not begin more than 25 minutes ahead of the scheduled match time unless agreed upon by both teams. Wave start times will not be moved up. Subsequent rounds and bracket play matches will be moved up whenever time allows. At the start time, if teams are not ready to play, the opposing team will be awarded one point per minute. After ten minutes, the first game will then be forfeited. The second game and match will also be forfeited after an additional 10 minutes.

## Work Team Assignments:

1. First official will be provided for all matches. Each team is responsible to provide: 1 down official, 2 lines people, 1 official scorekeeper, a libero tracker and 2 persons for flip score (2 on each court). You are responsible for your own whistles. If circumstances beyond our control result in an official not being on your court to officiate a match. Work team coach will need to officiate & will be paid the officials fee.
2. If you are late for your officiating assignment, the same penalties apply as to match and forfeit times. All penalties will be carried over to the following day if necessary. Maximum penalty would be the loss of the first set of your subsequent match. Please check closely to be sure you know the schedule. If you are uncertain please ask the tournament director at your site. On time means the start of warm-ups, not match start time.

3. It is required that a coach or other adult team representative remain in the game area during team officiating assignments. No food or drink will be allowed on the worktable.
4. No cell phones or electronic devices allowed at the worktable. If a player is found to have a cell phone while working at the table or is part of the work crew doing lines, a sanction of up to a 10-point penalty may be applied to that team's next match.
5. During bracket play all losing teams must stay and provide the work team for the following match unless specified differently. The game scheduled on your court may or may not be part of your division. If your match is switched to another court you are still required to provide the work team. Teams not completing their last work assignment of the tournament will be fined \$100. Check the schedule as sometimes the winning team may be scheduled to officiate the next match.

### Format:

- \* Match play – best 2 out of 3 games. First 2 games to 25; deciding game if necessary to 15. No cap on any game. A few divisions may utilize 3 out of 5 matches or 3 sets to 25
- \* Warm-ups (2-4-4) – 2 minutes shared ball handling, 4 minutes each team hitting and serving. Absolutely no ball handling by the team that is off. Off teams are **required** to help shag for the team that is hitting.
- \* Coin flip prior to match will determine side and serve.

### Tie breaking Procedures

- A. Two way tie- Head to head pool results will always determine the winner.
- B. Three way tie - There will be a one set playoff to 15 points only if it effects the teams advancement into the **Gold Bracket in the Open & Premier Divisions**  
Third team is required to be the work team.  
If it does not effect advancement into Gold in Open or Premier, the results will be determined by
  1. Set winning percentage (if still tied)
  2. Point percentage within pool play
  3. Coin Flip
- C. Three Way Ties with Two teams advancing to Gold  
The seeding for the tiebreaker will be determined by the same criteria as above. The team with the highest set winning percentage will be awarded first place in that pool. The remaining two teams will have a one set to 15 pt. playoff. The winner will be awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> place in that pool. The first place (bye) team must be the work team for that match.
- D. Three way Ties with One team advancing to Gold  
The seeding for the tiebreaker will be determined by the same criteria as above. There will be two playoff sets to 15 pts to decide the results of the pool. Teams will be seeded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> with the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> seeded teams playing the first set. The 1<sup>st</sup> seeded team will be the work crew. The winner of that set will play the 1<sup>st</sup> seeded team in a set to 15 pts with the loser of the previous set providing the work team. The winner of the second playoff match will advance.
- E. It is the responsibility of the team's coach to know if there is a potential ties in pool play. Teams must be present at courtside for the tiebreaker sets. They will begin as soon as the last match in that pool is completed. If any team is not present and prepared to play or be the work crew then that team will forfeit the match or their potential standing.

## General Rules:

1. Only AAU registered members are allowed on the court.
2. Registered coach must be on the bench. A team without an AAU registered coach is considered incomplete and may not play.
3. Any abuse of tournament officials or staff by players, coaches or parents will result in that person being removed from the tournament.
4. Any person entering the playing area during the match or confronting tournament personnel including the work team in a confrontational manner will be removed from the event for the rest of the weekend. Person removed will be subject to suspension from future AAU events.
5. Chairs that are provided for team benches may not be moved or taken to another area.

## Tournament Play Schedule:

The entire tournament playing schedule will be posted on [www.advancedeventsystems.com](http://www.advancedeventsystems.com) and will be updated every hour throughout the day.

## Protest Procedure:

If a protest is to be filed, it must be done at the time of the incident. Only the floor captain may file the protest (or coach in 14's and below). Once the protest is reviewed by the Head of Officials his ruling is final. Judgment calls may not be protested

## **Playing Venues**

**\* Be sure to bring a chair, as many facilities do not have seating around the courts. Teams must provide their own balls for warm-ups.**

**At DeVos place there will plenty of seating for spectators No Outside chairs.**

DeVos Place, 303 Monroe Avenue NW Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (Courts 1-38)

Grand Valley State University, 1 Campus Dr., Allendale, MI 49401 (Courts 39-47)

MSA Fieldhouse, 5435 28th St. Ct. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546 (Courts 48-53)

Impact Dynamic, 3125 28th St. SW Suite, Grandville, MI 49418 (Courts 54-57)

Courthouse, 8895 Byron Commerce Dr SW, Byron Center, MI 49315 (Courts 58-65)

East Kentwood HS, 6230 Kalamazoo Ave SE Kentwood, MI 49508 (Courts 66-69)

East Kentwood Freshman Campus, 6170 Valley Lane, Kentwood, MI 49508 (Across the parking lot from the HS) (Courts 70-71)

Caledonia HS 9050 Kraft Ave SE, Caledonia, MI 49316 (Courts 72-75)

Caledonia HS South 9050 Kraft Ave SE, Caledonia, MI 49316 (Courts 76-77)

Kraft Meadows MS 9230 Kraft Ave SE, Caledonia (Courts 78-79)

MSA Sport Spot, 3701 32nd St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512 (Courts 80-83)

Grand Rapids Community College, 111 Lyon St NE, Grand Rapids (Courts 84-88)

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