## 2019 AAU HOUSTON GRAND PRIX VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

#### **Dear Teams and Coaches:**

Welcome to the 2019 AAU Houston Grand Prix Volleyball tournament in Houston, Texas. This year's 2019 event will feature 140 girl's juniors' teams playing in a 2-day format at the Fast Complex, Texas Tornados and Willowbrook facility.

The weekend will feature the 12-18 divisions playing in a 2 day format.

We wish you the best of luck in the competition! This Years event has the most competitive field of teams we have had here at this tournament. We look forward to having you here year after year.

We want to thank all the teams for supporting this event. Have a great time and make loads of new friends. Enjoy yourself!!

Sincerely,

Staff

### **FORMAT**

#### JUNIORS: 18'S 6 TEAMS

<u>Saturday/Sunday</u> will consist of pool play. (1) Pool of (6) teams Play will consist of pool play. You will need to make sure you know where you finish on Saturday to determine you placement for Sunday.

(6) Team pools will be playing 2 out of 3 games per match. Round Robin. The first two games will be to 25 points rally score, win by two, no cap. The third game will be 15 points rally score, win by two, no cap.

<u>Sunday's</u>- The top 3 teams will\_play consist of a Gold Single elimination tournament.

#### JUNIORS: 17'S 14 TEAMS

<u>Saturday</u> will consist of pool play. (2) Pool of (4) teams and (2) Pools of (3) teams with Cross Pool Play will consist of pool play. You will need to make sure you know where you finish on Saturday to determine you placement for Sunday.

- (4) Team pools will be playing 2 out of 3 games per match. Round Robin. The first two games will be to 25 points rally score, win by two, no cap. The third game will be 15 points rally score, win by two, no cap.
- (3) Team pools will be playing 2 out of 3 games per match. Round Robin.

  The first two games will be to 25 points rally score, win by two, no cap.

  The third game will be 15 points rally score, win by two, no cap. There will be a cross pool Match.

<u>Sunday's-</u>play will consist of a Gold and Silver Single elimination tournament with consolation matches

# JUNIORS: 16'S 30 TEAMS

<u>Saturday</u> will consist of pool play. (6) Pool of (4) teams and (2) Pools of (3) teams with Cross Pool Play will consist of pool play. You will need to make sure you know where you finish on Saturday to determine you placement for Sunday.

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#### JUNIORS: 15'S 25 TEAMS

<u>Saturday</u> will consist of pool play. (5) Pools of (4) teams and (1) Pool of (5) teams Play will consist of pool play. You will need to make sure you know where you finish on Saturday to determine you placement for Sunday.

(5) and (4) Team pools will be playing 2 out of 3 games per match. Round Robin. The first two games will be to 25 points rally score, win by two, no cap. The third game will be 15 points rally score, win by two, no cap.

<u>Sunday's- play</u> will consist of a Gold, Silver and Bronze Single elimination tournament with consolation matches

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<u>Saturday</u> will consist of pool play. (4) Pools of (4) teams and (1) Pool of (5) teams Play will consist of pool play. You will need to make sure you know where you finish on Saturday to determine you placement for Sunday.

(5) and (4) Team pools will be playing 2 out of 3 games per match. Round Robin. The first two games will be to 25 points rally score, win by two, no cap. The third game will be 15 points rally score, win by two, no cap.

<u>Sunday's- play</u> will consist of a Gold, Silver and Bronze Single elimination tournament with consolation matches

#### JUNIORS: 13'S 21 TEAMS

<u>Saturday</u> will consist of pool play. (4) Pools of (4) teams and (1) Pools of (5) teams Play will consist of pool play. You will need to make sure you know where you finish on Saturday to determine you placement for Sunday.

(4) and (5) Team pools will be playing 2 out of 3 games per match. Round Robin. The first two games will be to 25 points rally score, win by two, no cap. The third game will be 15 points rally score, win by two, no cap.

<u>Sunday's- play</u> will consist of a Gold, Silver and Bronze Single elimination tournament with consolation matches

## **FORMAT**

#### JUNIORS: 12'S 12 TEAMS

Saturday will consist of pool play. (3) Pool of (4) teams

Play will consist of pool play. You will need to make sure you know where you finish on Saturday to determine you placement for Sunday.

(4) Team pools will be playing 2 out of 3 games per match. Round Robin. The first two games will be to 25 points rally score, win by two, no cap. The third game will be 15 points rally score, win by two, no cap.

<u>Sunday's-</u>play will consist of a Gold and Silver Single elimination tournament with consolation matches

# TOURNAMENT INFORMANTION FEBRUARY 16-17, 2019

#### **TEAM CHECK-IN**

There will NOT be a coaches meeting on Friday night. However COACHES OR CLUB Coaches must check in their teams (consists of signing the roster and picking up coaching credential pass at each sit. Coaches must have an AES rosters

#### **WAVE TIMES AND PLAY SITES**

COURTS 1-8 FAST COMPLEX-15400 HEMPSTEAD RD. HOUSTON TX 77040 COURTS 1-8 TEXAS TORNADOS -12539 PERRY RD. HOUSTON, TX 77070 COURTS 1-7 WILLOWBROOK 8835 WHEAT CROSS DR. HOUSTON, TX 77095

AM 8:00AM - 1:00PM PM 3:00PM - 8:00PM PM 3:30PM - 8:30PM

#### ADMISSION:

#### Fast Complex-

This year's event will have an admission fee for spectators of \$8 per day or 2 day pass \$15- \$5 per day for senior adults and kids 7 and under or \$8 weekend pass **Texas Tornados** 

This year's event will have an admission fee for spectators of \$8 per day or 2 day pass \$15/\$5 per day for senior adults and kids 7 and under or \$8 weekend pass **Willowbrook** This year's event will have an admission fee for spectators of \$8 per day or 2 day pass \$15/\$5 per day for senior adults and kids 7 and under or \$8 weekend pass \*Athletes will just need to show their jersey to gain admission to the Gyms. \*Teams will be issued a coaching credential pass for each coach listed on their roster

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**MATCH LENGTH** Each division will have a specific format. All matches will be 2/3 games 25 points and 15 in the 3<sup>rd</sup> game. In some other division there will be a crossover match. Some 3 team pools with play 3 sets to 25 points

#### **WARM-UP**

There will be no shared hitting during warm-ups.

The first match of the pool for each team will have warm-up time of 2-4-4. (4 minutes for one team to have whole court - 4 minutes for the opposing team to have the entire court).

All the remaining matches for that pool will have a warm-up time of 4-4. (4 minutes for one team to have the whole court - 4 minutes for the opposing team to have the whole court. There is no shared serving after the first match for each team.

#### **PROTESTS**

If a protest is to be filed, it must be done at the time of the incident. NO LATER. The first referee is obligated to acknowledge and record all protests. Only the floor captain may file protests. (The exceptions to this are the 14 division and under, where the acting team coach may act).

#### **TOURNAMENT TEE SHIRTS**

Tournament Tee Shirts will be on Sale at the Each site and other gyms. Supplies are limited.

#### **FACILITY RULES:**

Due to incidents in previous years there will be a **NO TOLERANCE** policy this year for misbehavior by players/teams and spectators in the venues:

**Coolers NOT ALLOWED** in the at the sites.

Violation of these policies or any other general misbehavior may result in **IMMEDIATE** dismissal from the facility for the remainder of the day.

**TRAINERS** There will be a trainer available to tape ankles and assist with minor injuries at each site.

#### **OFFICIATING RESPONSIBILITIES**

A rostered COACH must be in the Officiating crew. We will provide a certified 1st referee for each match.

Each team is responsible for supplying 1 down official, 2 lines people, 1 scorekeeper, 1 visible scorekeeper and 1 Libero tracker. Each team must provide whistles. Failure to provide officiating for your next assigned match could result in a forfeit of the first game of your next match. For every minute your officiating team is late, 1 point is given to the opponent in your match, up to the 25-0 forfeit. No more than 25 points will be awarded to the team's next opponent, even if the team designed to officiate misses the entire match. The clock begins at the end of warm up.

The second offense will result in the loss of your match.

There will be certified 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd referees for the finals in all age divisions.

#### **SEEDING**

All seeding for this event is done by the tournament committee

#### **AWARDS**

Each 1st and 2nd place team in Gold division will receive a team award and individual medals. Two third place teams will get a team award.
Each 1st place finish in the Silver division will receive a team award.
Each 1st place finish in the Bronze division will receive a team award.

#### \*Winners of each Division will receive a free entry in the 2019 AAU National

Tournament 12 teams - 100%

- 11 teams 90%
- 10 teams 80%
- 9 teams 70%
- 8 teams 60%
- 7 teams 50%
- 6 teams 40%
- 5 teams 30%
- 4 teams 20%

#### **TOURNAMENT POSTINGS:**

We will be using Advanced Event Systems for this event. It will be live results on the web. It is your responsibility to know when you play. All postings will be at ON THE WEB.

## **ALL COACHES**

All tie breaker games will be played at the end of each wave. Do not leave the gym if you are in a tie breaking situation. Do not leave the gym until all pool play is finished. You could forfeit, if you leave before a tie breaker.

It is each team's responsibility to determine their Saturday finish and to report to any officiating responsibilities that they may have prior to their scheduled play on Sunday morning. Failure to report to your appropriate court on Sunday morning will carry the penalties outlined in the officiating responsibilities. If you are in doubt, please check with the gym director.

#### **TIE BREAKING PROCEDURES**

All Teams must be present to compete in the tie-breaker playoff games. If a team leaves the area this is considered a forfeit and they will be eliminated from the tie-breaker, which will result in a two-way tie. The team that leaves will fall to the lowest position of the three teams tied. The other two teams will play for the highest position

#### For all competition leading to the Gold Championships:

All two-way ties will result in head-to-head competition. If there are more teams tied for playoffs than there are positions (three teams for two spots), the tied teams must compete for positions in direct competition. All tie-breaking games will be 1 rally game to **25 points**, no cap with a 3/3 minute warm-up.

#### For all competition NOT leading to the Gold Championships:

There will be no playoff games.

#### If there is a 3-way tie in the match record for 1st place:

If the 3-way tie breaking procedure eliminates a team from possibly reaching the Gold Championships, then a tie-breaking game is required. In the event in which a 3-way tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place exists, the seeds in the playoff are determined by:

- a. Win-Loss ratio for the total number of games played in that pool.
- b. Point percentage (a team's total points scored, divided by the total points scored by the opponents in that pool).

The #1 seed will be 1<sup>st</sup> in the pool. The 2<sup>nd</sup> seed and 3<sup>rd</sup> seed will play 1 game 25 points. Winner will be 2<sup>nd</sup> loser will be 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### If there is a 3-way tie in the match record for 2nd place:

If the 3-way tie breaking procedure eliminates a team from possibly reaching the Gold Championships, then tie-breaking games are required. In the event in which a 3-way tie for  $2^{nd}$  place exists, the seeds in the playoff are determined by:

- a. Win-Loss ratio for the total number of games played in that pool.
- b. Point percentage (a team's total points scored, divided by the total points scored by the opponents in that pool).

The #2 seed will play the #3 seed, with the loser finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the pool. The winner will play the #1 seed. The winner of this match will take 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the pool and the loser will take 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

#### If there is a 4-way tie in the match record:

If the 4-way tie breaking procedure eliminates a team from possibly reaching the Gold Championships, then tie-breaking games are required. In the event in which a 4-way tie exists, the seeds in the playoff are determined by:

a. Win-Loss ratio for the total number of games played in that pool.b. Point percentage (a team's total points scored, divided by the total points scored by the opponents in that pool).

The #1 seed will play the #4 seed, with the loser finishing  $4^{th}$  in the pool. The #2 seed will play the #3 seed, with the loser finishing  $3^{rd}$  in the pool. The two winners will play. The winner of this match will take  $1^{st}$  place in the pool and the loser will take  $2^{nd}$  place.

#### MATCH AND FORFEITURE TIMES

The <u>FIRST MATCH</u> of any round or wave will not begin before its' scheduled time. Within a wave, a match may be advanced no more than ten (10) minutes from the scheduled starting time. The last round of the wave may be advanced more than the specified 10 minutes if all participants are in agreement (includes both teams playing, and the officiating team). The <u>second game of the match</u> is forfeited 10 minutes after the forfeiture of the first game.