

CHAMPIONS



FAQ's

*These are some of the most **F**requently **A**sksed **Q**uestions surrounding tournament/game play.*

When and where will the games be played?

We usually aren't made aware of the specific location and times of games until the Wednesday or Thursday before the tournament. We may know of the general area that games will be held (i.e. San Francisco, the Peninsula, San Jose, etc.) but not exact locations. When I receive the information, I'll format it in a way that is easier to read and send out in a mass email.

How does playing time work?

AAU is different from CYO when it comes to playing time; we are not restricted to playing every player an equal amount. Playing time is based on a meritocracy: those who have earned playing time (based on attendance, skill, ability to play within our system, etc.) will receive playing time. Please do not approach a coach before or after a game regarding your child's minutes played (especially during the first tournament). The best approach is to have your child ask the coach directly what he or she needs to work on to earn more playing time.

Is there a fee to attend games?

Yes. Most tournaments charge \$5 - \$7 per day. I'm not a fan of it, but it is out of my control.

How long are the games?

Games usually last from 45 min to an hour in duration.

How early do I need to have my child at the gym?

I leave that up to my coaches, but usually we advise arriving 20 - 30 minutes before the first game's start time to be safe.

Do we need to stay at the gym the entire day?

No, you are free to leave in between games. Some tournaments provide long breaks between games, unfortunately.

Are most tournaments one or two days?

Most tournaments are two days but we will also play in one-day tournaments. Certain tournaments use bracket play, so our Sunday game will be determined on how we play on Saturday.