

2017 AAU GA State Championships
AAU 3 & AAU Xcel Silver, Gold, Platinum & Diamond

Qualification to State Championships: Compulsory athletes must achieve a 29 AA or higher once and must have competed in two AAU meets prior to the qualification deadline (Monday, April 17, 2017).

Xcel athletes must participate on at least one event during a minimum of two competitions prior to the qualification deadline (Monday, April 17, 2017), but there will be no qualification scores for Xcel.

Age Divisions for all levels –Age divisions for state meet competition will be determined by placing all qualified gymnasts in chronological order by birth date from youngest to oldest. Gymnasts will then be divided into equal groups with no more than 15 gymnasts in each group. Effort will be made to make sure that gymnasts do not compete with anyone with more than a two year difference in their age on the opening day of the state meet.

Graduating Seniors - Coaches that have Graduating Seniors participating in a State Meet should notify the State Meet Director and complete a “Senior Bio” form so that the gymnast can be honored at the meet. Deadline is (Monday, April 17, 2017)

AAU Level 3 State Meet Mandated Divisions:

Congratulations on qualifying to the AAU Levels 3 State Meet! Please read all the information regarding GA AAU Level 3 Mandated Novice and Experienced Divisions. Please note:

Two Divisions of Level 3 for State Meets:

1. AAU 3 NOVICE - Geared towards the more inexperienced gymnast and intended for gymnasts consistently scoring less than a 35.0 AA by the qualification deadline date for the specific State Meet. Any gymnasts scoring more than a 35.0 AA twice prior to the qualification deadline (April 17th) will be **mandated** into the Experienced Division. However, gymnasts whom have scored only one 35 AA (or higher) by the qualification date may still participate in the Novice division. Athletes with All Around scores less than a 35 are encouraged to participate in the Novice Division but may participate in the Experienced Division at State if desired. **Failure to enter an athlete into the appropriate division for the State Meet will void that athlete’s team from participating in the Team Awards for that level during the State Championships.**

2. AAU 3 EXPERIENCED – Geared for the more experienced gymnasts but open to any Level 3 athletes. Any gymnast scoring an AA of 35.0 or higher twice prior to the predetermined qualification deadline (April 17th) will be MANDATED to participate in this division at the State Meet. **Failure to enter an athlete into the appropriate division at the State Meet will void that athlete's team from participating in the Team Awards for that level during the State Championships.**

NOTE:

- 1. The State Meet entry deadline is Monday, April 17th, 2017.**
- 2. Coaches may submit their entries early to meet the deadline however, if any gymnast mandates to another level or qualifies after you have submitted your entry form, coaches are still responsible for contacting the meet director prior to the April 17th deadline to make sure your entry is accurate. There will not be enough time to snail mail your entry after the last weekend permitted to qualify.**
- 3. Coaches that have submitted entries that are no longer accurate by the deadline due to kids mandating divisions after submission of entry, etc., may be penalized by not being able to participate in team awards.**
- 4. Novice and Experienced divisions are offered for Level 3 however, if there is an unusually low number of entries into a division, the board reserves the right to dissolve divisions prior to the meet.**

AAU Level 3 Novice & Experienced Team Awards:

You may enter into both the Novice and Experienced divisions in Level 3 for team awards **provided you pay for each division that you enter and you have 3 gymnasts in each division.** Minimum: 3 gymnasts to qualify as a team.

If in the event that there is a tie in Team Awards, both teams will be acknowledged and a duplicate award will be mailed.

Each State Meet participant will receive a T-shirt. Specific sizes must be indicated on the entry form for each athlete. If no size is indicated a Child's Large will be issued.