

everything you need to know about the  
**2018 AAU Region 8 Qualifier**

<b>Qualifier Dates</b>	Thursday, June 28 to Sunday, July 1																				
<b>Qualifier Location</b>	Laney Memorial Stadium 1339 Laney Walker Boulevard Augusta, GA 30903																				
<b>Meet Management</b>	This event is licensed by the Amateur Athletic Union of the US, Inc. as issued to: Lane 4 Track Club Michael McCovery, Head Coach <a href="mailto:lane4track@gmail.com">lane4track@gmail.com</a>																				
<b>Competition Rules</b>	Competitive rules outlined in the 2018 AAU Athletics Handbook. View at <a href="http://www.aauathletics.org">www.aauathletics.org</a>																				
<b>Eligible Athletes</b>	Any athlete – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• with a valid 2018 AAU individual membership before competition begins on June 28, 2018;</li> <li>• who has competed in the District Qualifier for Georgia or South Carolina; and,</li> <li>• who is not more than 18 years of age as of August 4, 2018.</li> </ul> <p>An athlete who has not competed in the District Qualifier can only participate in the pole vault, javelin throw, steeplechase, and multi-events.</p>																				
<b>Competition Age and Age Divisions</b>	Age is determined by the age of the athlete as of December 31 of the year – also known as the competition age. Athletes compete within age divisions determined by their competition age. <p><b>Age Divisions:</b></p> <table> <tr> <th>Birth Year</th><th>Age Division</th></tr> <tr> <td>2010 or later</td><td>8 and under</td></tr> <tr> <td>2009</td><td>9 year old</td></tr> <tr> <td>2008</td><td>10 year old</td></tr> <tr> <td>2007</td><td>11 year old</td></tr> <tr> <td>2006</td><td>12 year old</td></tr> <tr> <td>2005</td><td>13 year old</td></tr> <tr> <td>2004</td><td>14 year old</td></tr> <tr> <td>2002-2003</td><td>15-16 year old</td></tr> <tr> <td>1999*-2001</td><td>17-18 year old</td></tr> </table> <p>*If still 18 years of age as of August 4, 2018, the athlete may compete in the 17-18 age division.</p>	Birth Year	Age Division	2010 or later	8 and under	2009	9 year old	2008	10 year old	2007	11 year old	2006	12 year old	2005	13 year old	2004	14 year old	2002-2003	15-16 year old	1999*-2001	17-18 year old
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<b>Proof of Age</b>	<p>Proof of age is not required at the time of online registration, but must be submitted to Meet Management “whenever required and/or challenged.”</p> <p>Acceptable forms of proof of age consist of –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• original Birth Certificate;</li> <li>• notarized original Birth Certificate from the appropriate issuing authority;</li> <li>• US Military Government identification card;</li> <li>• valid, unexpired passport; or</li> <li>• valid US driver’s license.</li> </ul>
<b>How to Enter the Qualifier</b>	<p>Online entries are the only acceptable form of registration. Onsite, mail, and other forms of registration will not be accepted. Register online at <a href="http://www.coacho.com">www.coacho.com</a>.</p>
<b>Registration Deadline</b>	<p>Registration opens Wednesday, June 6, 2018, and closes Monday, June 25, 2018 at 11:59 p.m.</p> <p>Online entries must be completed and payment submitted by close of registration. Entries without payment will not be accepted.</p> <p>No entry fees will be accepted through mail or in person. All entry fees must be paid online and prior to registration closing.</p>
<b>Registration Confirmation</b>	<p>Once your entries are completed, you will receive an email confirmation from the online entry system. Be sure to review the confirmation carefully to ensure that all entries have been properly submitted. (For example, the right birth date, the right gender, the proper spelling of names, and the right events and seed times for every one of your athletes.)</p> <p>If there are errors, it is your responsibility to make the corrections before the corrections deadline.</p>
<b>Correction/Change Deadline</b>	<p><b>June 26 – 8:00 p.m.</b> – changes and corrections accepted without late fee. (No late entries accepted).</p> <p><b>June 27 – 12:00 p.m.</b> – changes and corrections accepted. A \$5.00 late fee will be automatically assessed and due at packet pick-up.</p> <p><b>June 27 – 12:01 p.m.</b> – no changes or corrections accepted.</p> <p>Corrections or changes may be completed by email only – sent to Perfect Timing at <a href="mailto:plogan40@hotmail.com">plogan40@hotmail.com</a>.</p>



<b>Entry Fees</b>		
<b>Event Type</b>	<b>Event Limit</b>	<b>Entry Fee</b>
Individual Events	12U – 3 events	\$25.00
Individual Events	13 and up – 4 events	\$25.00
Relays	Counts toward individual event limit (even if listed as an alternate.	\$0.00
Multi-events	Does not count toward individual event limit. Athletes competing in both an individual event and multi-events must pay both set of fees.	\$25.00
<b>Spectator Fees</b>		
	\$8.00	Per day
	\$25.00	Event Pass (includes Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday
	Free	Children under age 5 and registered athletes
<b>Advancement to Nationals</b>	<p>The 2018 AAU Junior Olympic Games will be held July 27 – August 3, 2018 at Drake University in Des Moines, IA. To advance, athletes must finish in the following order –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Running events – top 6</li> <li>• Relay teams – top 6</li> <li>• Field events – top 5</li> <li>• Multi-event athletes – top 4</li> </ul> <p>Visit <a href="http://www.aaujrogames.org">www.aaujrogames.org</a> for more information.</p>	
<b>Inclement Weather</b>	<p>In the event of inclement weather, Meet Management reserves the right to delay or postpone the meet. Communication regarding weather delays will take place during the meet. It is the responsibility of the team, coach, or parent to make a representative available during these communications.</p>	
<b>Throw Implements</b>	<p>Personal implements are permitted but will be subject to inspection and weighed prior to competition at the appointed time and place. Implements not approved may not be used in competition.</p>	
<b>Awards</b>	<p>First through third place finishers in each event, by age division and sex, receive AAU medals. Two credentials will be distributed to each team for awards pick up. No one other than credentialed representatives may pick up</p>	



	<p>medals. Parents are not permitted to pick up medals for their own children unless the child is competing unattached.</p>
<b>Protests</b>	<p>A Jury of Appeals will be assigned prior to the start of competition. A protestor may appeal an unfavorable decision by the Referee to the Jury of Appeals. The decision of the Jury of Appeals is final.</p> <p>All protests must be filed with the Referee not more than 30 minutes after the results have been announced or posted, whichever occurs first, in accordance with Part II, Section H of the 2018 AAU Athletics Handbook.</p> <p>A cash fee of \$75.00 must be submitted when filing a protest; this fee will be returned if the decision at issue is overturned.</p>
<b>Event Check-in</b>	<p>Only 2 calls will be made to clerking/check-in – a first call indicating that the event is open for check-in, and a final call indicating that the event will soon close for check-in.</p> <p>Athletes should not enter the clerking area until their age division/sex has been called.</p> <p>Athletes will receive lane assignments in clerking. If the start line sheets have left the clerking area at the time the athlete reports to clerking, the athlete will not be permitted to compete. Athletes are not permitted to check-in on the track.</p> <p>No coaches, parents, or book bags are permitted in the clerking area. Athletes should enter the clerking area ready to compete.</p> <p>In the case of field events, competitors must report to the Field Judge responsible for the event. An athlete required to check-in for a running event must first seek permission from the Field Judge to leave the area.</p>



## **SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR COACHES**

**Mandatory Coaches Education.** AAU provides free Coaches Education for all AAU non-athletes. This program is **mandatory** for all AAU non-athletes and is administered by Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA). Visit [www.aausports.org](http://www.aausports.org) and click "Join Now" to take the mandatory AAU/PCA coaches educational course. Be advised that non-athlete AAU membership may be revoked if this mandatory course is not completed before the start of competition.

**Coaches' Meeting.** Meet Management will host a coaches meeting on Friday, June 29, 2018 at 7:30 a.m., centerfield. Each team should send at least one representative.

**Packet pick up.** Packets contain bibs, pins, athlete bands, and entry summaries. Packets may be picked up only by a coach or designee. Packets must be picked up before a team enters the stadium.

**Bib Numbers.** Bib numbers must be worn on the front of the athlete's competition top at all times. Replacement bib numbers or athlete bands are \$10.00 each and can be purchased at packet pick up.

**Access to Competition Venues.** The track will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. every competition day. Athletes and coaches must wear wristbands at all times. No coaches, parents or spectators are permitted on track, or at field venues, during competition. Make plans to coach from the bleachers and sidelines. Any athletes in a competition venue, not competing, may be disqualified. Coaches and parents in a competition venue may have their athletes disqualified.

**Tents/Umbrellas.** Tent set-up is permitted on Thursday, June 28, 2018. Tents may be placed along the top 6 rows on the home side of the stadium. Tents may be placed anywhere along the visitors' side of the stadium. No umbrellas, or standing, will be permitted near the finish line.

**Clerking.** Athletes should report to clerking upon the first call, and should remain in the clerking area until escorted to the start line. If athletes leave the area after check-in for any reason (e.g., to warm-up, to use the restroom, to talk to coach or parent, to get spikes, etc.), they risk missing their events.

**Scheduled Events.** Although the timed meet schedule will be followed as closely as possible, be advised that events may be contested up to 30 minutes earlier than scheduled.

**Results.** Live results will be available at [www.ptgrouponline.com](http://www.ptgrouponline.com).

**Awards.** Individual medals will be made available up to 2 hours after the entire event has concluded (e.g., all age divisions of the 400m dash). This window is needed to allow time for protests. Only credentialed representatives and parents of unattached athletes will be permitted to pick up medals.

