

Contest Directors: Twirl ATX - Ashley Wood & Whitney Coons **Contact Information**: <u>AAUTwirlLonestar@gmail.com</u> or 512-848-7426

Date: Saturday, May 8, 2021
Time: Doors Open at 8:45 am. Events start promptly at 9:15 am.
Location: Austin Sports Center Cedar Park. 1420 Toro Grande Dr, Cedar Park, TX 78613

Entry Info: Online Registration Only at <u>http://www.twirlatx.com/AAULonestar.html</u> **Entry Deadline:** Registration & Payment must be submitted by Midnight on <u>April 16, 2021</u>

While this year's AAU Junior Olympic Games being held August 2-5, 2021 in Houston, Texas does not have qualifying requirements, this will be the only AAU Regional event in the Texas area for 2021. This is a great prep/practice contest to help those planning to attend the Junior Olympics experience an AAU contest before attending the National event.

A Twirler's Competition Age for AAU is their Actual Age on December 31, 2021.

All current AAU Rules will be followed for this event. The AAU Twirling Handbook is available at <u>www.aaubaton.org</u>.

All Athletes (solo and team) MUST be AAU members and be able to provide AAU Membership Numbers when submitting entry forms. Visit <u>www.aaubaton.org</u> to sign up for your membership BEFORE registering. Memberships cost between \$14-\$16, and any membership purchased for this event will also be valid for the AAU Junior Olympics in August. (Please Note, Adult Athlete memberships are not instant, so please allow several days to process).

COVID STATEMENT: Due to safety concerns related to COVID-19, in order to safely hold our event, there will be several strict procedures added to the 2021 AAU Lonestar Regional Event. Failure to cooperate with these procedures by any twirling athlete or their accompanying parent will result in the athlete being disqualified and removed from the competition with no refunds given. Please do not register if you do not agree to follow all procedures!

1. Each athlete will only be allowed to enter with one accompanying adult. No extra spectators will be allowed in the facility including friends or additional family members. One adult per athlete. No exceptions.

2. Only coaches listed on the registration form of an actively competing twirler will be allowed into the event facility. Listed coaches will be allowed to enter in addition to each athlete's accompanying adult.

3. Masks must be worn at all times by every person in the facility. No health accommodations will be allowed. If you can't wear a mask, do not sign up for this event, or send a different adult with your competing athlete. Athletes wanting to perform without a mask can remove it at the ready line only when they are about to perform.

4. All athletes and parents must maintain social distance at all times during the event.

5. Each competitor and accompanying adult must fill out an ASC Facility Waiver before the event AND a COVID-19 screening form on the morning of the event before entering the building. Temperatures will also be taken at the front desk by the ASC Staff. Anyone showing symptoms of COVID-19 will not be allowed in the facility.

6. This event will be limited to only 70 athletes and 10 team performances. No exceptions!

Attendees must recognize that by registering for the contest and entering the facility, they are assuming the risk involved with potential exposure to COVID-19. While the contest directors will uphold as many precautions as possible, attendees must understand that there is inherent risk with any activity that involves possible contact with other people.

Schedule: The contest directors will notify all registered twirlers by April 30th if the schedule will be all ages at the same time, or if we will utilize a split schedule with younger twirlers in the morning and older twirlers in the afternoon.

Facility Seating: There is very limited bleacher seating at this facility. It is suggested that twirlers and parents bring their own portable chairs or blankets to use for ground seating. There will be spots marked around the edge of the facility showing distanced seating areas. Please establish a space that is distanced from those outside your household.

Costumes & Hair: Hair should be up in one hairstyle for the entire competition. Twirlers should only wear one costume for all individual events. Twirlers will be allowed to change costumes for duets & team events.

Additional Contest Information:

- Advancement: If you should win prior to this contest and need to advance, you email the contest directors at <u>AAUTwirlLonestar@gmail.com</u> ASAP so that we can make the needed changes.
- In lieu of a Spectator Fee, a \$20 facility charge will be added to each registration. This fee will include the electronic program and entrance into the facility for one athlete and one accompanying parent only.
- Payment should be made to Twirl ATX via check, Paypal, Venmo (@twirlatx), or Cash App (\$twirlatx)
- **No refunds will be given for any reason** including change of facility, contest date, schedule, or available space. The only exceptions are if the contest is cancelled or if the athlete can provide proof of a positive COVID test for someone in their household or a school required quarantine.
- The contest directors reserve the right to make any changes necessary. No changes by contestants may be made one the entry is received. Only errors made by the contest directors will be corrected before the day of the contest. No entries will be accepted after the registration deadline has passed.
- Practice areas will be provided. Twirlers may only practice in the designated practice space.
- All team music must be submitted via email to <u>AAUTwirlLonestar@gmail.com</u> by April 30. There will not be any options to play CD's or mp3 devices the day of the event. Only digitally sent music will be allowed.
- A set system will be used for this contest. The set lists will be in the program. Twirlers must perform in set order.
- Photography & Video Taping: No flash photography permitted. Video recording is only allowed by parents or coaches videotaping their own child/student. Failure to comply can result in disqualification.
- Contestants are responsible for reporting to their lanes on time. Failure to do so can result in disqualification.

Contest Awards:

- AAU Individual Events: AAU Medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.
- Lonestar Majorette or All-Around Events: Title Banner & Gold Medal for 1st. AAU Medals for 2nd to 5th.
- AAU Duet/Team Events: AAU Medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

Events Offered at AAU Lonestar District Championship:

Age Divisions for all individual events (age as of 12-31-2021): 0-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-15, 16-18, 19-22, 23+ Age Divisions for all team events (average age as of 12-31-2021): 0-6, 7-9, 10-13, 14-18, adult

- (\$30) Lonestar Parade Majorette: Performs Basic Strut & Military Strut.
 - Offered for Beg & Adv. Basic Strut determines level (basic score used to break ties)
- (\$40) Lonestar All-Around Champion: Performs One-Baton Solo, & Two-Baton Solo
 - Offered for Nov, Beg, Int, & Adv. One Baton Solo determines level (one baton used to break ties)
- (\$10) One Baton Novice, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Mens
- (\$10) Two Baton Novice, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Mens
- (\$10) Three Baton – Novice, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Mens
- (\$10) Multi-Baton Novice, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Mens
- (\$10) X-Strut Novice, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Mens
- (\$10) Basic Strut Novice, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Mens
- (\$10) Military Strut Novice, Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, Mens
- (\$15) Duet Beginner/Advanced. Combined Age: 0-18, 19-24, 25-30, 31+
- (\$30) Twirling Team Small/Large, Beginner/Advanced
- (\$30) Dance Twirl Team Small/Large, Beginner/Advanced