



2021 ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR AAU GIRLS BASKETBALL

Each grade division consists of a 24 month age window which determines an athletes' participation in that division. If an athletes' age is outside the 24 month window for their grade, the athlete must play up to the grade division that is normal and customary for their age. If an athlete is in any grade above what is normal and customary for their age, an athlete may play down provided they meet the established criteria listed in the chart below.

2ND GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 2nd grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 3rd grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 8 on or before August 31, 2021.

3RD GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 3rd grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2021.

4TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2021.

5TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2021.

6TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2021.

7TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2021.

8TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2021.

9TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2021.

10TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2021.

11TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 18 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 12th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2021.

12TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 12th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 19 on or before August 31, 2021.

Age Requirements to Play Down a Grade Division

Grade as of October 1, 2020	Requested Grade	Birthdate Requirements
12th Grade	11th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2003
11th Grade	10th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2004
10th Grade	9th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2005
9th Grade	8th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2006

Grade as of October 1, 2020	Requested Grade	Birthdate Requirements
8th Grade	7th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2007
7th Grade	6th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2008
6th Grade	5th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2009
5th Grade	4th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2010
4th Grade	3rd Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2011
3rd Grade	2nd Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2012

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