

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

2018 PRE-NATIONALS

Saturday, January 27 Competitive Edge Sports King of Prussia, PA www.cesports.net

YOU'RE INVITED

It's the Dance before the "Big Dance". The buzzer beaters, game winning shots, and killer crossovers are sure to be seen at The NACBA 2018 PRE-NATIONALS on Saturday, January 27th. This year's edition of the Pre-Nationals will undoubtedly be one of the best tournaments on the east coast. In 2017, 44 teams from the East Coast and Canada, and teams representing the East/Southeast Asian basketball community (Chinese, Filipino, Korean) were all proudly represented.

On behalf of the North American Chinese Basketball Association, we would like to invite your team to participate in the NACBA 2017 PRE-NATIONALS to be held Saturday, January 27th, 2018 at Competitive Edge Sports in King of Prussia, PA. (CES is the Mid-Atlantic regions premier basketball destination. The facility is equipped with five (5) air conditioned state of the art basketball courts. Visit www.cesports.net for more information).

This year's PRE-NATIONALS will look to feature nine (9) divisions of play: Men's Open, Men's Friendship, Men's 30+ over, Boys 18u, Boys 15u, Boys 13u, Boys 11u, Women's and Girls 18u (a minimum of at least 4 teams per division). Each team is guaranteed to play in three games throughout the day with those advancing to the championships playing in 4-5 games.

<u>Teams interested</u> in playing should contact me asap via email: rockits@asianhoops.com to inform of me of your team's intentions of participating as only a limited number of spots are available in each division. You can also contact me at 917-687-5876 (DENNY LEE – tournament organizer) for confirmation or questions.

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VALLEY FORGE / KING OF PRUSSIA – www.valleyforge.org

With world class shopping (King of Prussia Mall with over 400 stores), fine dining, family fun and the Valley Forge National Historical Park, Montgomery County allows you to explore your freedom and discover something new.

HOW TO SIGN UP

DEADLINE: January 8, 2018 or when divisions are filled, whichever comes first

Please note that only a limited of spots are available in each division for this one day tournament. Teams interested should follow the registration procedures to ensure a spot for your team. No spots can be held without payment.

NOTE: Due to the number of courts and numerous divisions, teams will be accepted on a first paid basis. Payment by Chase Quickpay, paypal or credit card will be accepted. Absolutely, no payments will be accepted on the day of the tournament.

COST: Men's divisions: \$320/TEAM

Boy's 18u, 15u, 13u, 11u, Women's, Girls 18u: \$300/TEAM

THREE WAYS TO PAY ONLINE: To guarantee or reserve a spot for your team immediately and before the divisions are filled, go to www.asianhoops.com and:

- 1) Pay by credit card (please note that there will be a handling charge of \$10.00 added).
- 2) If you already have a paypal account, then you can save on handling charges by sending the entry fee amount to <u>rockits@asianhoops.com</u>.
- 3) Transfer funds through CHASE QUICKPAY. Transfer the money to rockits@verizon.net.

After payment, please send an email to rockits@asianhoops.com with your team name and division playing in so that I can reserve a place for your team. Your team is accepted to play after a confirmation email is sent to your team.

ROSTERS & WAIVERS: All teams participating must submit a fully completed roster sheet and signed waivers by Wednesday, January 17, 2018. Please download, fill it out completely (needed for insurance purposes), have players sign waiver and email it back to me in pdf format to: rockits@asianhoops.com.

Attention Coaches/Organizers of youth teams: In order to be fair to all teams participating, we will be randomly checking Player I.D.s for proof of age/ethnicity. Coaches and players should have a copy of each player's passport or birth certificate with them or a picture on their phone on tournament day. Players that are declared ineligible will be disqualified immediately and the team will forfeit any wins that the non-eligible player participated in.

DIVISIONS OF PLAY:

Saturday, January 27, 2018

MEN'S OPEN (limit 8 teams) - this is where the best teams from New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Washington, Toronto and the east coast compete for bragging rights. This is the division where many former/current high school/college standouts compete against the best. Bring it on. (competitive)

MEN'S FRIENDSHIP (limit 6-8 teams) - for those teams that play occasionally and are somewhat competitive.

MEN'S 30+OVER (limit 4-6 teams) - This division is for ballers who love to play the game but want to compete against others in the same age group.

BOYS 18-UNDER (limit 6-8 teams) - It's the boys chance to shine as the best up and coming ballers get to showcase their skills.

BOYS 15-UNDER (limit 4-8 teams) - This is where the hoop dreamers that have just begun to emerge as the future stars of Asian basketball.

BOYS 13-UNDER (limit 4-6 teams) - This is where you start seeing the potential of these rising stars.

BOYS 11-UNDER (limit 4-6 teams) - This is where it all begins for the future stars of Asian basketball.

WOMEN'S OPEN (limit 6-8 teams) - Another opportunity for the Women/Girls to hoop it up and prepare for the Nationals in Philadelphia.

GIRLS 18U (limit 4 teams) – a chance for those too young to compete with the women and to prepare for the Nationals in Philadelphia.

PRE-NATIONALS TOURNAMENT FORMAT

OPEN DRAW: For divisions of 5 or more teams, an open draw will determine the placing of teams into the respective groups. More information will follow.

- **4 TEAM DIVISION:** Each team is guaranteed to play in three games in the tournament. Each team will play the other teams in their division during the preliminaries. The top two teams with the best won-loss record will compete in the championship game.
- **6 TEAM DIVISION**: Each team is guaranteed to play in three games in the tournament. Teams will be divided into two groups of three teams. Each team will play the other two teams in their group during the preliminaries. After completion of these two games, your team will be seeded 1st, 2nd or 3rd according to your won-loss record. The top two teams from each group will advance into the playoff/championship round. The third seeded teams from each group will play a consolation game.
- **8 TEAM DIVISION**: Each team is guaranteed to play in three games in the tournament. Teams will be divided into two groups of 4 teams. In Group play: Team 1 plays Team 2 and Team 3 plays Team 4. The winning teams will then play each other and the losing teams will play each other. Each team will now have played in two preliminary games. Teams will then be designated 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th seeds in their group. The top three seeds advance into the playoff/championship round. Teams seeded 4th will play a friendship game.

GAME SCHEDULES: Will be posted on www.asianhoops.com on Saturday, January 20 immediately following the Pre-Nationals Selection Show which will be held at 6pm via a live YOU TUBE feed. A link will be provided at a later date.

ELIGIBILITY: Only players of at least 50% East/Southeast Asian descent are eligible to participate in the tournament. The definition of a player of East/Southeast Asian decent is as follows: at least one parent must be of 100% East/Southeast Asian heritage. (Nationalities are as follows: Chinese, Filipinos, Koreans, Vietnamese, Thai, Cambodian, Burmese, Malaysian, Indonesian, Singaporeans and Japanese) The burden of proof is on the player. If a player's eligibility is challenged, then he/she must present documentation that is legible (questions - please email us). Exception: Players of South Asian descent (Indian, Pakistani, Bangladesh) will be accepted to play on a case to case basis (proof of ethnicity must be submitted by January 17, 2018) in the following divisions: Boys 18U and Men's divisions. Contact the tournament coordinator prior to registration.

AWARDS: Individual trophies or championship T-shirts will awarded to all 1st place championship teams. 2nd place teams will receive a team trophy.

QUESTIONS??? Please contact Denny Lee, rockits@asianhoops.com or 917-687-5876.