



**2024**

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**MARCH BADNESS**

**Saturday, March 16 & 23, 2024**

Tentative venues include:

Hoop Heaven, Whippany, New Jersey  
Newark Academy, Livingston, New Jersey

## **INVITATION**

**GET READY TO DANCE!!!** ASIANHOOPS.COM, would like to invite your team to participate in the 2024 March Badness basketball tournament to be held on Saturday, March 16 & 23, 2024 at Hoop Heaven in Whippany, NJ and Newark Academy

This tournament looks to bring Asian basketball teams from the East Coast together for a day of competitive basketball, friendships and fun.

**MARCH BADNESS** will look to feature (9) divisions of play: Boys 10u, Boys 12u, Boys 14u, Boys 16u, Boys 18u, Men's Open, Men's Friendship, Girls 18u and Women's. All divisions will require a minimum of 4 teams and each division will have a maximum of 8 teams. This will allow for a smooth running event. Each team is guaranteed to play in at least three (3) games in the tournament and those advancing into the playoffs or championships will possibly play 4-5 games.

**Teams interested** in playing should contact me asap via email: [rockits@asianhoops.com](mailto:rockits@asianhoops.com) to inform 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.

**Visit [www.asianhoops.com](http://www.asianhoops.com) for more information**

### **HOW TO SIGN UP**

**DEADLINE TO SIGN UP AND PAY: March 2, 2024 or earlier. Teams will be only accepted to play in the tournament when payment is received and confirmed.**

**NOTE:** Due to the number of courts available at both facilities teams will be accepted on a first paid basis. Once divisions are filled, no other teams will be added.

**TWO 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](http://www.asianhoops.com) and:

- 1) Transfer funds through CHASE QUICKPAY or ZELLE. Transfer the money to [rockits@verizon.net](mailto:rockits@verizon.net).
- 2) Venmo to @dennylee63
- 3)

**COSTS: \$320.00 (ALL DIVISIONS)**

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**ROSTERS/WAIVERS:** will be done electronically. *After receipt of payment, a link will be sent to the Coach/Manager to submit a team roster.* Please follow the instructions. Once completed, players will then receive an email for them to register individually. **(SUBMIT THE TEAM ROSTERS PROMPTLY)**

**Signed, completed final rosters/waivers** must be received **on or before Friday, March 8, 2024**. This is needed for insurance purposes and allow ample time for any player eligibility issues.

**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:** (all teams will be required to assist with scorekeeping at least 1-2 times during the day).

### **Saturday, March 16, 2024**

**MEN'S OPEN** (limit 4-8 teams) - this is where 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 4-8 teams) - for those teams that play occasionally and are somewhat competitive.

**BOYS 18-UNDER** (limit 4-8 teams) - It's the boys chance to shine as the best up and coming ballers get to showcase their skills.

**WOMEN'S OPEN** (limit 4teams) - An opportunity for the Women to hoop it up

**GIRLS 18u** (limit 4 teams) – a chance for those up and coming ballers to compete against those in the same age group

**YOUTH ELIBIBILITY CUTOFF:** After careful consideration, in the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play the cut off date for player eligibility for this tournament will be February 29, 2023 This means that each division will be competed evenly amongst players who are all of the same age.

Boys 10U: 10 or Under as of February 29, 2024

Boys 12U: 12 or Under as of February 29, 2024

Boys 14U: 14 or Under as of February 29, 2024

Boys 16U: 16 or Under as of February 29, 2024

Boys 18U: 18 or Under as of February 29, 2024

In other words, anyone who turns 11/13/15/17/19 after February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 will be eligible to participate in the tournament and in each of their respective age divisions.

### **Saturday, March 23, 2024**

**BOYS 10-UNDER** (limit 4-6 teams) – This is where it all begins for the future stars of Asian basketball.

**BOYS 12-UNDER** (limit 4-6 teams) – This is where it all begins for the future stars of Asian basketball.

**BOYS 14-UNDER** (limit 4-6 teams) - This is where you start seeing the potential of these rising stars.

**BOYS 16-UNDER** (limit 4-6 teams) - This is where the hoop dreamers emerge as the future stars of Asian basketball

## **TOURNAMENT FORMAT – All teams play in at least 3 games**

**4 TEAM DIVISION:** Each team will play in at least two preliminary games prior to the playoffs. The top two teams with the best won-loss record will advance into the championship game.

**6 TEAM DIVISION:** Teams will be divided into two groups of three teams. Each team will play the other two teams in their group. After completion of the preliminary games, your team will be seeded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> according to your won-loss record. The top two teams from each group advances into the playoff/championship round. The teams seeded third in each group will play in a friendship consolation game.

**8 TEAM DIVISION: Tournament Format:** Each team is guaranteed to play in three games in the tournament. Teams will be divided into two groups of 4 teams. 1st game: team 1 plays team 2 and team 3 plays team 4; 2nd game: winner 1-2 game vs loser 3-4 game and winner 3-4 game vs loser of 1-2 game. Immediately following the end of the 2nd game for all teams, reseeding will take place to determine seeds 1 thru 4 in each group. Seeds 1 and 2 from each group advance into the semifinal and championship round. Seeds 3 from each group will compete against each other for 5th place. Seeds 4 will compete against each other for 7th place. (Tie Break: two teams tied head to head; point differential; points allowed; points scored; Three teams tied: point differential to determine which team will be seeded first; after that revert to two teams tied).

**GAME SCHEDULES:** Will be posted on [www.asianhoops.com](http://www.asianhoops.com) on Wednesday, March 13 & 20, 2024.

**ELIGIBILITY: Only players of at least 25% 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 50% 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).

**AWARDS:** A Championship Team Trophy or individual trophies will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> place championship teams.

Tournament hosted by [asianhoops.com](http://asianhoops.com)

QUESTIONS??? Please contact Denny Lee, [rockits@asianhoops.com](mailto:rockits@asianhoops.com) or 917-687-5876.