



## 2017 USSSA National Championship Welcome Letter



On behalf of the United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA) Basketball we would like to welcome you and your families to wonderful Orlando, FL, the destination of the **2017 USSSA Boys and Girls National Championships**. We can't wait for this exciting weekend!

### **CHECK-IN**

Q: When and where is team check-in?

A: Check-in **MUST** be completed prior to your second game. Failure to check-in will result in a forfeit of ALL games.

### **Team Check-In**

#### **Marriott Orlando World Center**

8701 World Center Dr, Orlando, FL 32821

Cypress Ballroom, Check-In Kiosk

Friday: 10:00am - 9:00pm

Saturday: 7:30am - 3:00pm

Q: All of my players have already been checked in and approved at a previous tournament. Do I need to check them in at Nationals?

A: Yes! Players will be screened individually to ensure all players are eligible to compete. Each player's current report card, birth certificate, current picture, and official printed USSSA team roster are mandatory for check-in. Players with missing documentation will **NOT** be cleared to play. Failure to provide all required documents will delay your check-in.

### **OPENING CEREMONY & THREE-POINT SHOOTOUT**

Q: When and where is the Opening Ceremony?

A: The Opening Ceremony will take place in the Cypress 1 Ballroom Friday at 6p.

Q: Will there be any contests held during National Championship weekend?

A: Yes! The Three Point Shooting Contest will start Saturday at 8p! Up to 2 players from every team can participate for the chance to win a Three Point Shootout Trophy.

### **AWARDS**

Q: What does my team get when we win?



A: Members of the first place team receive gold medal and Championship Rings. Members of the second place team will receive silver medals.

Q: What if I stand out individually?

A: Championship teams will have one All-Tournament selection and an MVP award winner. Runner-Up teams will have one All-Tournament selection and one Hustle award winner.

Q: When and where will I receive my team and individual awards?

A: All awards will be presented by USSSA National Director James Taylor at the Championship Station.

### **TEAM ROSTERS & ELIGIBILITY**

Q: How do I know if my team is qualified to play in the National Championship?

A: Playing in any State Championship event or two National Qualifiers automatically qualifies your team for National competition. You may also petition the National Office to request an exception to policy due to unusual circumstances.

Q: Can I add players to my roster?

A: Rosters are frozen on June 21st. Adding new players after this date is not permitted.

### **FACILITY**

#### **Marriott Orlando World Center**

8701 World Center Dr, Orlando, FL 32821

Cypress Ballroom 1

Cypress Ballroom 2 (Courts 1-4)

Cypress Ballroom 3 (Courts 5-8)

### **SPECTATORS**

Q: What are weekend and daily spectator prices?

A: Spectator Prices - Adult weekend \$30, Adult daily \$15, Child weekend \$20, Child daily \$10, Children Under Age 5 Free

Weekend: Friday-Sunday

### **SCHEDULE & SCORES**

Q: When will the schedule be released?

A: June 27th at 9:00 pm via [www.floridabasketball.com](http://www.floridabasketball.com) and the Florida USSSA Basketball App.

Q: Will my schedule change after it is released?

A: In all likelihood, no. But check [www.floridabasketball.com](http://www.floridabasketball.com) and the Florida USSSA Basketball App daily for potential schedule changes.

Q: What time will my team play?



A: The earliest game will start at 3:00pm on Friday. Considerations will be made for those teams travelling the farthest.

Q: Can a team submit schedule requests for coaches who coach multiple teams?

A: Yes, however we cannot guarantee that all requests will be accommodated due to the amount of teams. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

Q: Where can I see updated schedules, scores, and standings?

A: [www.floridabasketball.com](http://www.floridabasketball.com) and the Florida USSSA Basketball App, which can be found for free in Apple & Android App Stores.

## **FUN & EXTRAS**

Q: Will any of our games be shared via social media?

A: Yes! Game scores, updates, pictures, and more will be shared across various USSSA and Florida USSSA Basketball social media platforms. You can join the social media frenzy with

**#PlayUSSSA #USSSANationals**

**IG: @USSSABasketballHQ**

**TW: @USSSAHoops**

**FB: USSSABasketball**

**Youtube: USSSA BASKETBALL**

Q: What is there to do on-site when my team isn't playing?

A: There will be games and activities for players, coaches, and families to participate in throughout the event. These courtside games, like corn hole, will allow participants to continue to create memorable moments between games.

Q: Will National Championship T-Shirts be available for purchase?

A: USSSA National Championship T-Shirts will be sold at check-in and throughout the weekend.

Q: Will anything else be available for purchase?

A: Yes! There will be multiple commemorative, fun items for sale including fidget spinners, apparel, and more!

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