

# 2026 AVP JUNIORS OVERVIEW

## 5-STAR EVENTS (*Bids required to compete in all divisions*)

JUNIOR NATIONALS	JULY 22-26	HERMOSA BEACH, CA	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>
WEST COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS	NOVEMBER 7-8	MANHATTAN BEACH, CA	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>
EAST COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS	NOVEMBER 27-29	CLEARWATER BEACH, FL	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>

## REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - 4-STAR EVENTS (No bids required)

TEXAS REGIONALS	SOUTH	3/28-3/29	HOUSTON, TX	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>
HUNTINGTON BEACH REGIONALS	WEST	5/16-5/17	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>
FLORIDA REGIONALS	FLORIDA	5/24-5/25	ANNA MARIA ISLAND, FL	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>
NEW JERSEY REGIONALS	NORTHEAST	5/30-5/31	BELMAR BEACH, NJ	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>
VIRGINIA BEACH REGIONALS	MID-ATLANTIC	6/13-6/14	VIRGINIA BEACH, VA	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>
DENVER REGIONALS	MOUNTAIN	7/1-7/2	DENVER, CO	<a href="#">REGISTER</a>
WAUPACA REGIONALS	MIDWEST	7/12-7/13	OSHKOSH, WI	TBD

## AVP JUNIORS INVITATIONAL

**AUGUST 15-16 | MANHATTAN BEACH, CA**

Regional event winners along with 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishers at Jr. National Championships will receive an invitation for the first-ever AVP Juniors Invitational. Additional invites may be issued.

## Bid Earning Window

Awarded to Girls 18U, 16U, 14U, 12U & Boys 18U, 16U, 14U

National Championships: December 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

West Coast Championships (WCC): July 1, 2026 – November 2, 2026

East Coast Championships (ECC): July 1, 2026 – November 22, 2026

**\*\*These events have limited capacity. Bids do not guarantee a spot in the tournament.**

## How to Earn a Bid

- Bids may be earned at qualifying AVP/AVP America Juniors events within the defined bid windows.
- For 1-Star events, bids go to 1st and 2nd place teams. For 2-Star events, bids go to 1st, 2nd, and both 3rd place teams. In all cases, divisions need at least 5 teams.
- Bids do not “trickle down” beyond those places.
- Bid winners can play with any partner; they are not required to play with the partner with whom they won their bid.
- Only one player per team is required to have earned a bid.
- Bids are not age-specific. If a player ages out, the bid applies to the next age division.



- Players must compete in the correct age divisions on the event date. Age/Division Guidelines update annually on September 1.
- A complete team is defined as a paid entry with two registered players. Teams that are unpaid or missing a player may be removed from the entry list.
- **For 5-Star Events:**
  - These events have limited capacity. A bid is required but doesn't guarantee a spot.
  - Until the dates listed below, bid-holding teams will be accepted based on highest AVP points.
  - After these dates, teams without bids will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until full.
    - Nationals: June 29, 2026
    - WCC: October 11, 2026
    - ECC: October 30, 2026

## **Coaches**

Make sure you have completed all the requirements to coach at this event:

- Hold a valid [AVP America Coaching Pass](#), completed at least one week prior to event start date. The Pass is valid for one calendar year (January 1- December 31).
- Successfully complete and clear a [Background Screening](#) at least one week prior to the event start date.
- Maintain an active [SILVER AVP Membership](#).
- Be familiar with and adhere to the [Coaching Rules](#) that are included in the AVP America Coaching Pass.
- Check in with AVP Staff on-site to receive coaching credentials. Credentials must be visibly displayed while coaching.

## **Junior Age Requirements from 9/1/2025 – 8/31/2026**

- 18U: Athletes graduating in 2026 or later
- 17U: Athletes graduating in 2027 or later
- 16U: Athletes graduating in 2028 or later
- 15U: Athletes graduating in 2029 or later
- 14U: Athletes graduating in 2030 or later
- 13U: Athletes graduating in 2031 or later
- 12U: Athletes graduating in 2032 or later

## **Starting 9/1/2026, the Junior Age Requirements will change to the following.**

These will apply to WCC and ECC:

- 18U: Athletes graduating in 2027 or later
- 17U: Athletes graduating in 2028 or later
- 16U: Athletes graduating in 2029 or later
- 15U: Athletes graduating in 2030 or later
- 14U: Athletes graduating in 2031 or later
- 13U: Athletes graduating in 2032 or later
- 12U: Athletes graduating in 2033 or later