



OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT GUIDE & SCHEDULE

2027 AYBC Asia Youth Basketball Championship

Taipei Edition | January 7–10, 2027

A1 • A4 Taipei Gymnasium

S1 • S2 NTNU Gymnasium

X1 Xinyi Sports Center



Co-organized by ESSA (ESSA.org) • U19 League (U19.com)

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A Letter from the Founder

Welcome to Taipei



Na-Nam

Founder, AYBC

Dear Players, Coaches, Families, and Friends of AYBC,

Welcome to Taipei and the 2027 AYBC Asia Youth Basketball Championship!

Since its beginning in 2024, AYBC has brought together young athletes through a shared passion for basketball. Last year, we celebrated a major milestone with our first overseas edition in Fukuoka, Japan — a tremendous success that demonstrated the potential of this championship.

We believe international basketball should travel across borders, bringing people together in different cities, countries, and cultures. Building on that success, we are delighted to welcome you to Taipei for AYBC's second overseas edition.

The game is growing, and so is AYBC. With more than 200 teams expressing interest, this year's championship will welcome 48 teams across four divisions, including our first-ever U18 division. This expansion gives young athletes more opportunities to remain part of the AYBC experience as they develop.

As international youth basketball tournaments continue to grow in number, our commitment remains clear: quality over quantity. From the competition on the court to the experience of every player, coach, and family, we want AYBC to represent the very best of youth basketball.

Our ambition is to establish AYBC as one of the most prestigious and exclusive destinations in international youth basketball — to become "the" tournament in Asia, a can't-miss event that teams aspire to attend and return to year after year.

My sincere thanks go to our partners at ESSA and the U19 Basketball League for co-hosting this year's championship. Their dedication and shared vision make this event possible.

Looking ahead, we are working toward establishing an organizing committee that brings together some of the most influential basketball minds from each participating country. Together, we hope to shape AYBC's future and continue raising the standard of international youth competition. We look forward to sharing more information soon.

For now, please enjoy Taiwan's famous hospitality, discover Taipei, and embrace the competition and friendships that make this championship special.

Thank you for being part of the 2027 AYBC Asia Youth Basketball Championship. We look forward to an unforgettable experience together, both on and off the court.

Warm regards,

Na-Nam



Tournament at a Glance

48

TEAMS

4

DIVISIONS

128

GAMES

3

VENUES

4

DAYS

Division	Born on or after	Teams	Format	Pool games	Sunday	Games/team
U10	Jan 1, 2016	12	3 pools of 4 + crossover	24	8	4 + 1 on Sunday
U12	Jan 1, 2014	12	3 pools of 4 + crossover	24	8	4 + 1 on Sunday
U15	Jan 1, 2011	12	3 pools of 4 + crossover	24	8	4 + 1 on Sunday
U18	Jan 1, 2008	12	3 pools of 4 + crossover	24	8	4 + 1 on Sunday
		48		96	32	128

- Three rounds: divisional games (Thursday–Saturday), the second-round crossover (Saturday) and Championship Sunday. Every team plays at least 5 games.
- Games are played on a running clock. Each slot is 60 minutes, including warm-up.
- No team plays more than 2 games in a day, and no team plays at two venues on the same day.
- The last tip-off on Saturday is at 17:00; the tournament banquet follows at 19:00.
- On Sunday every court finishes by 16:00, and all four finals are played on Court A1.



Participating Countries & Regions

12 invited • at most one team per country in each pool



Korea
KOR



Japan
JPN



Taiwan
TWN



Indonesia
IDN



Thailand
THA



Mongolia
MGL



Australia
AUS



Philippines
PHL



Singapore
SGP



Hong Kong
HKG



Qatar
QAT



**United Arab
Emirates**
UAE

- As host, Taiwan enters one team in every pool: 12 teams across the four divisions.
- Every other country may enter up to one team per pool, for a maximum of 12 teams: three in each of U10, U12, U15 and U18.
- Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. If your pool already has a team from your country, everything you paid is refunded in full.
- An English-speaking interpreter is on hand at every court, and this guide is published in English, Traditional Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Indonesian, Thai and Arabic.



Tournament Format

Round 1 • Divisional Games • Thursday–Saturday

All four divisions use the same format: 12 teams in 3 pools of 4. Each team plays the other three teams in its pool once, for 3 games.

Thursday is opening night: 8 games on Courts A1 and A4 from 18:00 — all six U15 and U18 Taipei host teams play their first divisional game. U10 and U12 open Friday morning.

Round 2 • Crossover • Saturday

Each team plays one **crossover game** against the next pool — 1st v 2nd and 3rd v 4th (A 1st v B 2nd, B 1st v C 2nd, C 1st v A 2nd; A 3rd v B 4th, B 3rd v C 4th, C 3rd v A 4th). This is the 4th game.

The combined record from all 4 games ranks the 12 teams from #1 to #12, by wins first and then by tiebreakers. Every team knows its Sunday game by Saturday night.

Round 3 • Championship Sunday

Seeds #1–#4 play the semifinals (#1 v #4, #2 v #3) while every other team plays one placement game (5th, 7th, 9th or 11th place). The championship final and the 3rd-place game follow, with at least 2 hours between a team's two games.

Every division crowns a champion and ranks all 12 teams. All four finals are played on Court A1: U10 at 12:00, U12 at 13:00, U15 at 14:00 and U18 at 15:00.

Tiebreakers

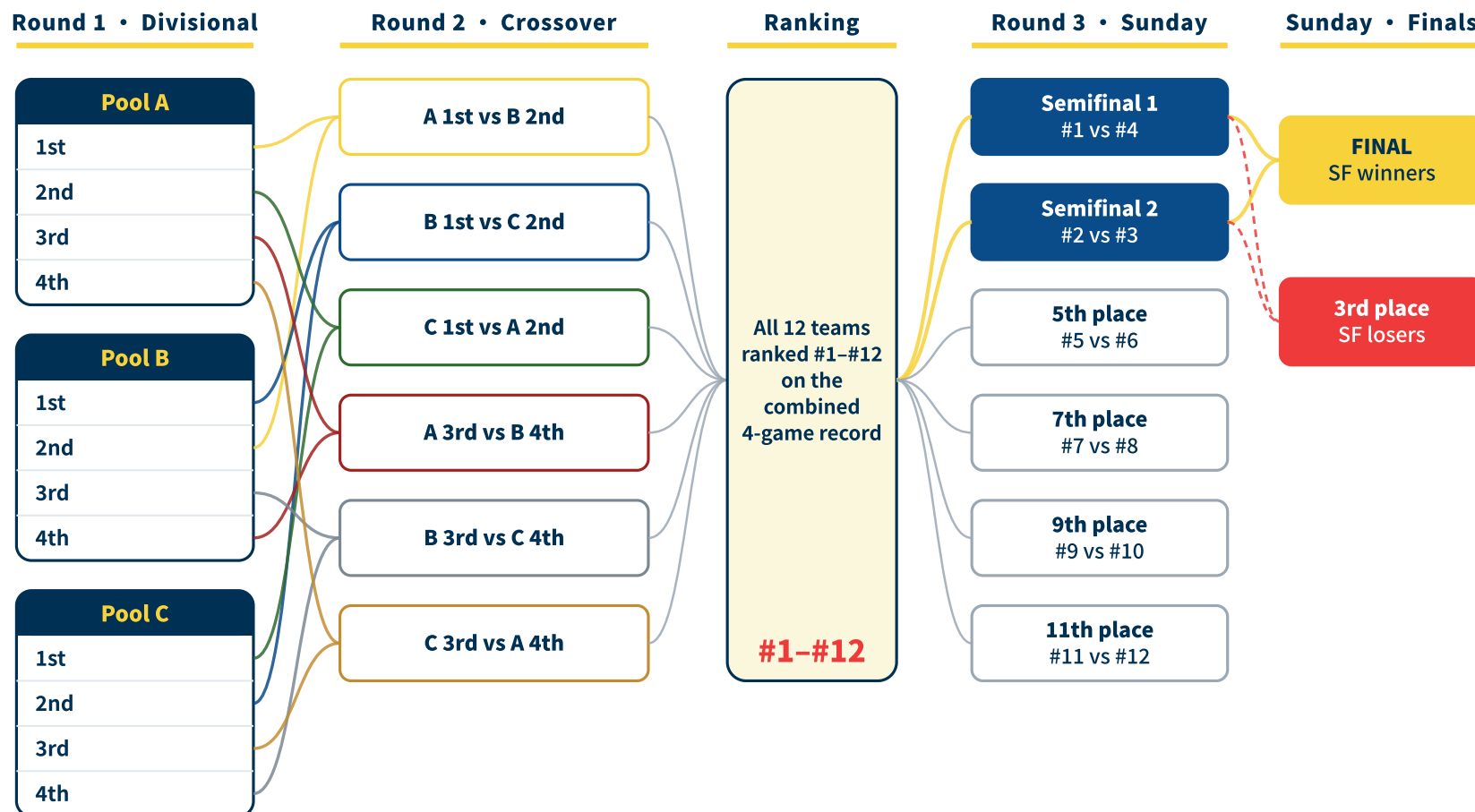
1. Head-to-head result 2. Point differential, capped at ± 15 per game 3. Points allowed 4. Coin toss. Running up the score gains nothing.





Pool Play & Advancement — U10 • U12 • U15 • U18 — 3 pools of 4 each

Round robin (3 games) + Saturday crossover • ranked #1–#12 • same format in every division



- Round 1 • Divisional games: 4 teams per pool, round robin — 3 games played between Thursday and Saturday.
- Round 2 • Crossover (Saturday): one game against the next pool — 1st v 2nd and 3rd v 4th, as shown on the left — the 4th game.
- All 12 teams are then ranked #1–#12 on their combined 4-game record — wins first, then tiebreakers.
- Round 3 • Championship Sunday: #1–#4 play the semifinals (#1 v #4, #2 v #3); #5–#12 play one placement game each. Semifinal winners meet in the final, losers play for 3rd.

Tiebreakers: head-to-head → point differential (± 15 cap) → points allowed → coin toss.



Playing Rules

FIBA rules apply unless stated here

Defense

Half-court sets: man-to-man defense only. **Full-court sets: no restriction — full-court press and traps are allowed.**

Game clock

Four 10-minute quarters on a running clock.

Overtime

1-minute periods with a stop clock, repeated until there is a winner.

Between quarters

1 minute. Halftime is adjusted to keep the schedule on time.

Roster

Up to 15 registered players, all of whom may dress and play. No more than 3 bench staff.

Hard clock

60-minute slots. If a game falls more than 5 minutes behind, the second half is played entirely on a running clock, with no stop-clock periods.

Eligibility

The age cut-off is January 1: a player must be born on or after the date shown for the division. Passports or national IDs are checked at registration.

Illegal-defense penalty

1st: reminder • 2nd: warning • 3rd: one technical free throw • every further violation: two technical free throws.

Stop clock

Last 24 seconds of Q1, Q2 and Q3 • last 2 minutes of Q4.

Timeouts

Three 60-second timeouts per team per game: 1 in the first half, 2 in the second half.

U10 rim height

260 cm. All other divisions 305 cm.

Officials

Certified referees and a table crew at every game, and an English-speaking interpreter at every court.

Tiebreakers

Head-to-head → point differential (± 15 cap per game) → points allowed → coin toss.

Division

Born on or after

U10

Jan 1, 2016

U12

Jan 1, 2014

U15

Jan 1, 2011

U18

Jan 1, 2008



Taipei Map

Venues, hotels and banquet — schematic, not to scale



GAME VENUE

A Taipei Gymnasium
A1 • A4

S NTNU Gymnasium
S1 • S2

X Xinyi Sports Center
X1

TOURNAMENT HOTEL

H Ximending hotels
Foundation-sponsored stay • 3 partner properties

H Taipei Main Station hotels
Foundation-sponsored stay • 2 partner properties

H Brother Hotel
Upgrade • four-star • Nanjing Fuxing

BANQUET

B TICC • Taipei International Convention Center
Banquet • Saturday, January 9 • 19:00



Taipei Gymnasium

Courts A1 and A4

A1 • A4

ADDRESS

No. 10, Sec. 4, Nanjing E. Rd., Songshan District, Taipei

COURTS

A1 — 1F court • A4 — 4F court

NEAREST MRT

Taipei Arena Station (Green Line, Songshan–Xindian) • Exit 2 — directly outside the gym

BUS

Nanjing–Dunhua intersection stops: 33, 262, 275, 277, 605, 652, 672, 905, 906 and more

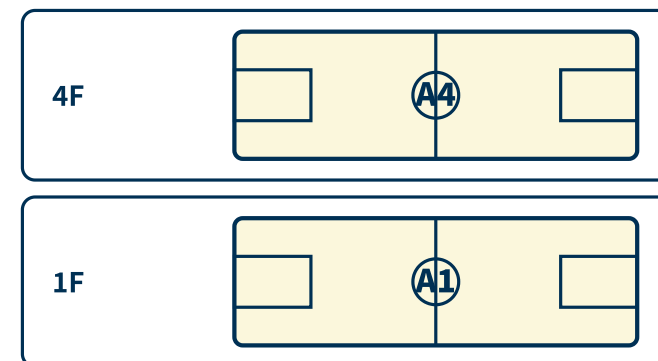
PARKING

Taipei Gymnasium underground car park B1–B2 (151 cars, NT\$40/hr daytime) • Taipei Arena B2 (entry from Dunhua N. Rd.) • Taipei Track & Field underground • Songshan Sports Center (No. 1 Dunhua N. Rd.)



Taipei Gymnasium • A1 • A4

COURT MAP





NTNU Gymnasium

National Taiwan Normal University • Courts S1 and S2

S1 • S2

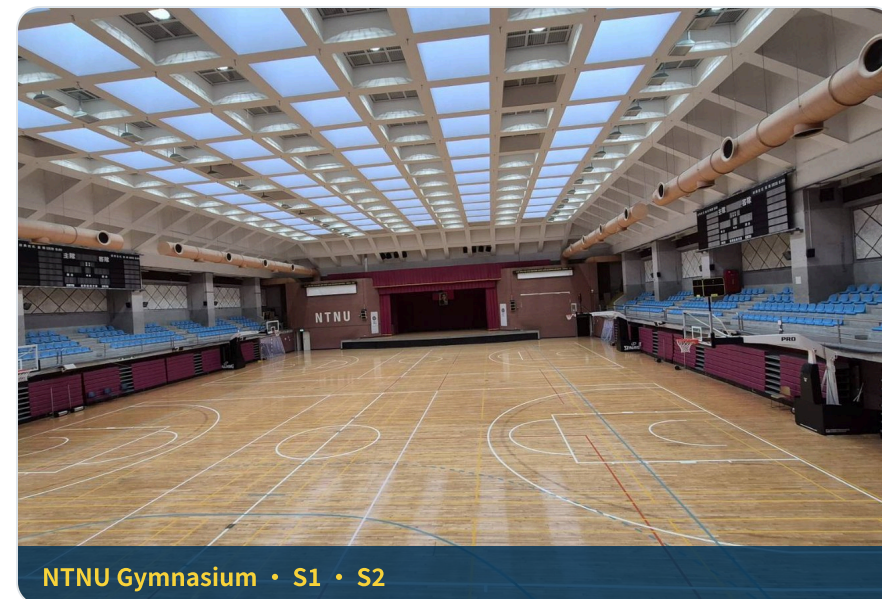
ADDRESS No. 162, Sec. 1, Heping E. Rd., Da'an District, Taipei (Heping Campus)

COURTS S1 and S2 — two cross-courts in the main gymnasium, 4th floor

NEAREST MRT Taipower Building Station (Green Line) • Exit 3 — 5–8 min walk • Guting Station (Green / Orange) • Exit 5 — 8–10 min walk

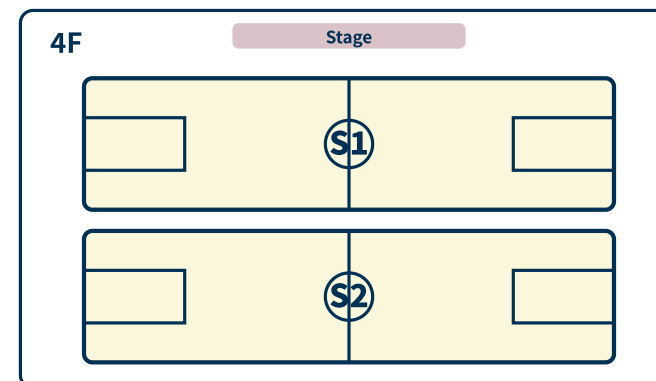
BUS NTNU stops: 15, 18, 235, 237, 278, 295, 662, 663, 672, 907, Heping Trunk Line

PARKING NTNU Heping Campus sports-field underground car park B1 (136 cars, NT\$70/hr, 06:00–24:00, entrance on Heping E. Rd.). Limited — public transport recommended.



NTNU Gymnasium • S1 • S2

COURT MAP





Xinyi Sports Center

Court X1 • Sunday morning

X1

ADDRESS

No. 100, Songqin St., Xinyi District, Taipei

COURTS

X1 — 6F full court • Sunday only, 08:00–12:00 • rim lowered to 260 cm for U10

NEAREST MRT

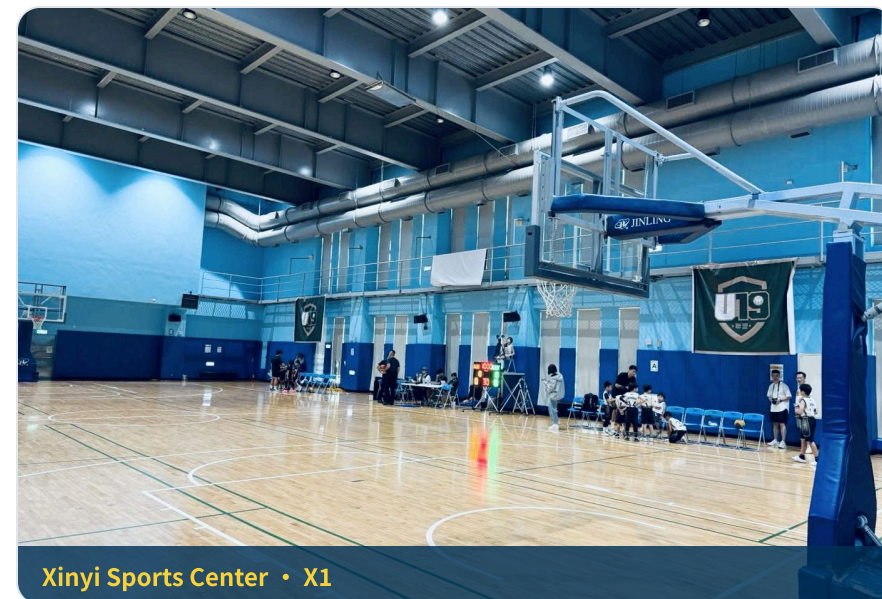
Taipei 101 / World Trade Center Station (Red Line) • Exit 3 — along Xinyi Rd., right on Songzhi Rd., left on Songqin St. — about 5 min walk • Taipei City Hall Station (Blue Line) • Exit 3 — along Songren Rd., 10–15 min walk

BUS

Xinyi Trunk Line, 20, 32, 46, 202, 207, 266, 612, 621, 650, 665, 669, Blue 5, Blue 10

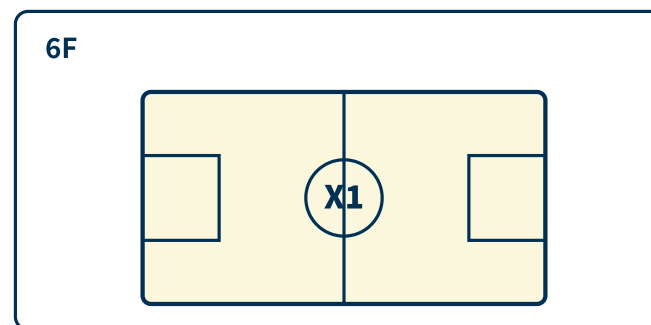
PARKING

No car park on site. Sanzhangli Park car park (NT\$30/hr cars • NT\$20 per entry scooters) or Xinyi Plaza public car park — public transport recommended.



Xinyi Sports Center • X1

COURT MAP





Thursday, January 7

Opening night • Courts A1 and A4 from 18:00 • 8 games • practice court 10:00–18:00, no charge

U10

U12

U15

U18

★ Seed 1 in every pool (A1 • B1 • C1) is the Taipei host team

Time	A1 Taipei Gymnasium	A4 Taipei Gymnasium
18:00	U18 Pool A A1 vs A2	U15 Pool A A1 vs A2
19:00	U18 Pool B B1 vs B2	U15 Pool B B1 vs B2
20:00	U18 Pool C C1 vs C2	U15 Pool C C1 vs C3
21:00	U18 Pool A A3 vs A4	U15 Pool C C2 vs C4



Friday, January 8

48 games • all four courts

U10

U12

U15

U18

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Time	A1 Taipei Gymnasium	A4 Taipei Gymnasium	S1 NTNU Gymnasium	S2 NTNU Gymnasium
08:00	U10 Pool A A1 vs A2	U10 Pool C C1 vs C2	U12 Pool A A1 vs A2	U12 Pool A A3 vs A4
09:00	U10 Pool B B1 vs B2	U10 Pool A A3 vs A4	U12 Pool B B1 vs B2	U12 Pool B B3 vs B4
10:00	U15 Pool C C1 vs C2	U10 Pool B B3 vs B4	U12 Pool C C1 vs C2	U12 Pool C C3 vs C4
11:00	U15 Pool C C3 vs C4	U10 Pool C C3 vs C4	U12 Pool A A2 vs A3	U12 Pool A A4 vs A1
12:00	U18 Pool A A1 vs A3	U10 Pool A A2 vs A3	U12 Pool B B2 vs B3	U12 Pool B B4 vs B1
13:00	U15 Pool C C2 vs C3	U10 Pool B B2 vs B3	U12 Pool C C2 vs C3	U12 Pool C C4 vs C1
14:00	U15 Pool C C4 vs C1	U10 Pool C C2 vs C3	U15 Pool A A1 vs A3	U15 Pool A A2 vs A4
15:00	U18 Pool B B1 vs B3	U10 Pool A A4 vs A1	U15 Pool B B1 vs B3	U15 Pool B B2 vs B4
16:00	U18 Pool C C1 vs C3	U10 Pool B B4 vs B1	U15 Pool A A1 vs A4	U15 Pool A A2 vs A3
17:00	U18 Pool A A2 vs A4	U10 Pool C C4 vs C1	U15 Pool B B1 vs B4	U15 Pool B B2 vs B3
18:00	U18 Pool B B2 vs B4	U18 Pool C C2 vs C4		
19:00	U18 Pool A A1 vs A4	U18 Pool A A2 vs A3		
20:00	U18 Pool B B1 vs B4	U18 Pool C C1 vs C4		
21:00	U18 Pool B B2 vs B3	U18 Pool C C2 vs C3		



Saturday, January 9

40 games • crossover round • last tip-off 17:00 • banquet 19:00

U10

U12

U15

U18

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Time	A1 Taipei Gymnasium	A4 Taipei Gymnasium	S1 NTNU Gymnasium	S2 NTNU Gymnasium
08:00	U10 Pool A A1 vs A3	U10 Pool C C1 vs C3	U12 Pool A A1 vs A3	U12 Pool B B1 vs B3
09:00	U10 Pool B B1 vs B3	U10 Pool A A2 vs A4	U12 Pool C C1 vs C3	U12 Pool A A2 vs A4
10:00	U18 Pool B B3 vs B4	U10 Pool B B2 vs B4	U12 Pool B B2 vs B4	U12 Pool C C2 vs C4
11:00	U18 Pool C C3 vs C4	U10 Pool C C2 vs C4	U15 Pool A A3 vs A4	U15 Pool B B3 vs B4
12:00	U18 Round 2 A 3rd vs B 4th	U10 Round 2 A 3rd vs B 4th	U12 Round 2 A 3rd vs B 4th	U12 Round 2 C 3rd vs A 4th
13:00	U18 Round 2 B 3rd vs C 4th	U10 Round 2 B 3rd vs C 4th	U12 Round 2 B 3rd vs C 4th	U12 Round 2 A 1st vs B 2nd
14:00	U18 Round 2 C 3rd vs A 4th	U10 Round 2 C 3rd vs A 4th	U12 Round 2 C 1st vs A 2nd	U12 Round 2 B 1st vs C 2nd
15:00	U18 Round 2 A 1st vs B 2nd	U10 Round 2 A 1st vs B 2nd	U15 Round 2 A 3rd vs B 4th	U15 Round 2 C 3rd vs A 4th
16:00	U18 Round 2 B 1st vs C 2nd	U10 Round 2 B 1st vs C 2nd	U15 Round 2 B 3rd vs C 4th	U15 Round 2 A 1st vs B 2nd
17:00	U18 Round 2 C 1st vs A 2nd	U10 Round 2 C 1st vs A 2nd	U15 Round 2 C 1st vs A 2nd	U15 Round 2 B 1st vs C 2nd



Sunday, January 10

Championship Sunday • 32 games • all finals on A1 • every court finishes by 16:00

U10

U12

U15

U18

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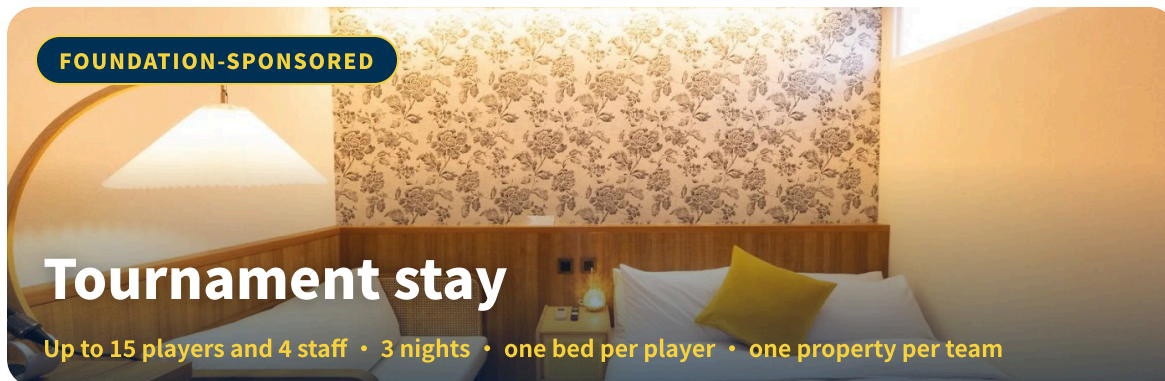
Time	A1 Taipei Gymnasium	A4 Taipei Gymnasium	S1 NTNU Gymnasium	S2 NTNU Gymnasium	X1 Xinyi Sports Center
08:00	U10 Semifinal 1 #1 vs #4	U12 Semifinal 1 #1 vs #4			U10 11th Place #11 vs #12
09:00	U10 Semifinal 2 #2 vs #3	U12 Semifinal 2 #2 vs #3	U12 11th Place #11 vs #12	U18 11th Place #11 vs #12	U10 9th Place #9 vs #10
10:00	U18 Semifinal 1 #1 vs #4	U15 Semifinal 1 #1 vs #4	U12 9th Place #9 vs #10	U18 9th Place #9 vs #10	U10 7th Place #7 vs #8
11:00	U10 3rd Place SF1 Loser vs SF2 Loser	U18 Semifinal 2 #2 vs #3	U12 7th Place #7 vs #8	U15 11th Place #11 vs #12	U10 5th Place #5 vs #6
12:00	U10 FINAL SF1 Winner vs SF2 Winner	U15 Semifinal 2 #2 vs #3	U12 5th Place #5 vs #6	U15 9th Place #9 vs #10	
13:00	U12 FINAL SF1 Winner vs SF2 Winner	U12 3rd Place SF1 Loser vs SF2 Loser	U18 7th Place #7 vs #8	U15 7th Place #7 vs #8	
14:00	U15 FINAL SF1 Winner vs SF2 Winner	U15 3rd Place SF1 Loser vs SF2 Loser	U18 5th Place #5 vs #6	U15 5th Place #5 vs #6	
15:00	U18 FINAL SF1 Winner vs SF2 Winner	U18 3rd Place SF1 Loser vs SF2 Loser			



Accommodation

Three nights in Taipei, sponsored by the Fukang Culture and Education Foundation • four-star upgrade available

To promote international youth basketball, the **Fukang Culture and Education Foundation**, through the U19 League, sponsors three nights of basic accommodation for every international team's players and up to four staff. The sponsored stay is arranged, assigned and paid for in advance, so a team arrives with its rooms already waiting.



- **One bed per player**
Rooms are allocated according to the number of players on the registration form, and every player has a bed of their own.
- **Teams stay together**
Players share rooms with teammates and coaches with coaches. No team is placed with another team, and a team is always housed in a single property.
- **Hotel and rooms assigned by the organizers**
Hotels and rooms are allocated by the organizers and confirmed with the team packet before travel. Taipei's city-center hotels are compact, so not every team can be in the same property; rooms may be swapped within a team on arrival.



- **Four stars in the heart of Taipei**
Brother Hotel stands on Nanjing East Road beside Nanjing Fuxing MRT Station, a 15-minute walk from Taipei Gymnasium, with seven restaurants in the building.
- **Twin rooms with breakfast • US\$ 200 per night**
Standard rooms with two beds at US\$ 200 per room per night, with breakfast included every morning.
- **Paid by the team**
A team that chooses Brother Hotel pays for all of its rooms — for players, coaches and anyone traveling with them — and does not use the foundation-sponsored stay. The number of rooms and any extra nights are chosen at registration.
- **Tournament staff on site**
Tournament staff are present at the hotel for check-in and check-out.

Good to know

1

Family members welcome

Parents and family members can be added at registration — US\$ 120 per person for the three nights, paid by the team — and stay at the same hotel as the team.

2

Extra nights • changes until Dec 20

Extend by up to two nights before and after, at the team's own expense. Accommodation can be changed or refunded until December 20, 2026; after that, additions only.

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Independent booking

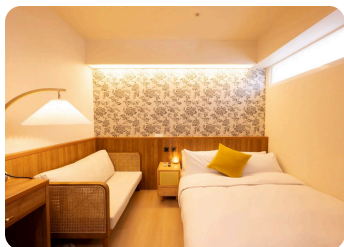
Teams are also welcome to arrange their own accommodation. Teams based in Taiwan make their own arrangements, as the tournament stay is intended for visiting international teams.



Tournament Hotels

Partner properties for the 2027 Taipei Edition • QR codes link to each hotel's website

Teams on the foundation-sponsored stay are housed in one of the five partner properties below, all in central Taipei within a few minutes' walk of the MRT and 20–30 minutes from the venues. Each team's hotel and rooms are confirmed in its team packet.



TOURNAMENT STAY • FOUNDATION-SPONSORED

Cat Tail Pocket Inn • Ximen

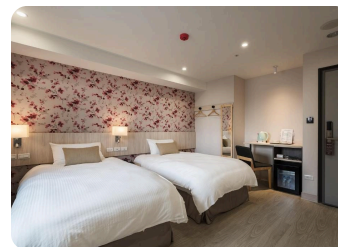
Ximending

ADDRESS No. 1, Ln. 25, Kangding Rd., Wanhua District

MRT Ximen Station • 10 min walk



Website



TOURNAMENT STAY • FOUNDATION-SPONSORED

COMMA Boutique Hotel

Ximending

ADDRESS No. 77, Xining S. Rd., Wanhua District
MRT Ximen Station • 7 min walk



Website



TOURNAMENT STAY • FOUNDATION-SPONSORED

Cat Tail Pocket Inn • Chongqing

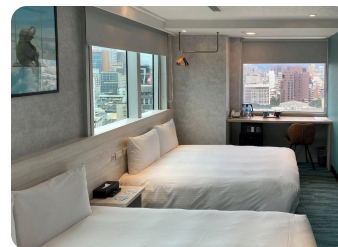
Taipei Main Station

ADDRESS 10F-1, No. 1, Sec. 1, Chongqing N. Rd., Datong District

MRT Taipei Main Station • 8 min walk



Website



TOURNAMENT STAY • FOUNDATION-SPONSORED

Sky Gate Hotel

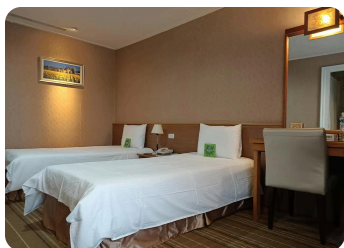
Ximending

ADDRESS 12F, No. 52, Hanzhong St., Wanhua District

MRT Ximen Station • 3 min walk



Website



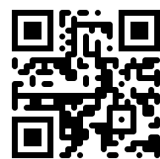
TOURNAMENT STAY • FOUNDATION-SPONSORED

Y Hotel Taipei (YMCA)

Taipei Main Station

ADDRESS No. 19, Xuchang St., Zhongzheng District

MRT Taipei Main Station • 5 min walk



Website



UPGRADE • 4★ • US\$ 200 PER ROOM PER NIGHT

Brother Hotel

Nanjing Fuxing

ADDRESS No. 255, Sec. 3, Nanjing E. Rd., Songshan District

MRT Nanjing Fuxing Station • at the door



Website



Tournament Banquet

Saturday, January 9, 2027 • 19:00 • TICC, Taipei International Convention Center

TICC • Taipei International Convention Center

Banquet Hall, 3F • catering by Cosmos Hotel Group • Xinyi, Taipei

ADDRESS No. 1, Sec. 5, Xinyi Rd., Xinyi District, Taipei — beside Taipei 101

NEAREST MRT Taipei 101 / World Trade Center Station (Red Line) • Exit 1 — 2-minute walk

BUS World Trade Center stop — 1, 207, 284, 292, 537, 611, 650, Xinyi Trunk Line, Blue 5

PARKING TICC B1–B2 car park and the Taipei World Trade Center car park next door • MRT recommended

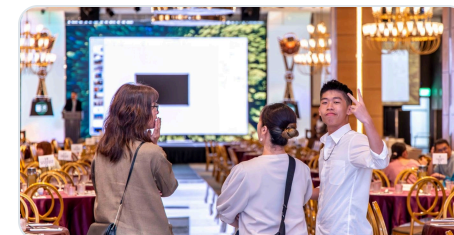
ENTRY Banquet Hall, 3rd floor • doors open 18:30 • show your tournament ID at the door

Program

- **Welcome** — VIP guest speakers open the evening
- **Dinner** — Players, coaches and families dine together — all 48 teams at one venue
- **Award ceremony** — All-Tournament team presented on stage — one player from every team, 48 in total
- **Team moments** — Team photos and the chance to meet every other team off the court



TICC • Taipei International Convention Center • The hall



Tickets

- With the tournament package, every rostered player and up to four staff attend; the tournament ID is their ticket at the door.
- Additional tickets for parents, family and other staff are US\$ 50 each, with no limit on numbers. Order them on the registration form.
- Saturday's last game tips off at 17:00 so that every team can attend. Dress code: team polo or smart casual.



Awards, Gear & Media

What every team takes home

Division	Champion	MVP	All-Tournament
U10		1	12
U12		1	12
U15		1	12
U18		1	12

MVP: one player from the champion team in each division.

All-Tournament team: one player from every team, 48 in total, presented at the Saturday banquet.

Streaming & photography

- Every game streamed live on YouTube.
- English commentary on the U18 semifinals and all four finals.
- A professional photographer at every game; galleries go to teams on the tournament package after the event.

Registration fee (US\$ 700) + optional tournament package (US\$ 300)

- A tournament ID for every player and staff member — your game-day pass
- A white tournament long-sleeve T-shirt for every player and up to four staff — tournament package
- Banquet admission for every player and up to four staff — tournament package
- 5 guaranteed games • photos and video of every game (package)
- Every game streamed on YouTube

Optional tournament gear

Long-sleeve T-shirt • white (extra)

Long-sleeve T-shirt • navy

Backpack

Official basketball

Logo socks

Water bottle

Hoodie

Polo shirt



Pricing

Registration fee US\$ 700 per team • optional tournament package US\$ 300 • charged by credit card when you submit • refunded in full if your team is not placed

1 Registration fee

Charged at submission • refunded in full if your team is not placed

- Entry for one team in one division • 5 guaranteed games
- Covers tournament operations: venues, referees and scorers, YouTube streaming of every game, equipment and facilities
- A tournament ID for every player and staff member — your game-day pass
- Accommodation is not part of this fee — the tournament stay is sponsored separately (see 2)
- Non-refundable once your team is accepted

US\$ 700
per team • required

3 Tournament package

Banquet • T-shirts • photos and video • chosen on the form • charged at submission

- Banquet on Saturday, January 9 at 19:00 for every rostered player and up to four staff — the tournament ID is the ticket
- A white tournament long-sleeve T-shirt for every player and up to four staff
- Professional photos and video of every game, shared with the team after the event
- Additional banquet tickets for parents, family and other staff: US\$ 50 each, in any number

US\$ 300
per team • optional
+ US\$ 50
per additional banquet ticket

2 Accommodation

Foundation-sponsored tournament stay • 3 nights • players and up to 4 staff • Thu Jan 7 – Sun Jan 10

- Basic stay for players and up to four staff, sponsored by the Fukang Culture and Education Foundation via the U19 League: one bed per player, rooms assigned, the whole team in one property
- Additional guests on the sponsored stay — parents and family: US\$ 120 per person for the three nights • extra nights (up to two before and after) are offered on the registration form
- Brother Hotel upgrade: four-star twin rooms with breakfast, paid by the team for everyone traveling
- Changes and refunds until December 20, 2026 • after that, additions only

Tournament stay

Sponsored

up to 15 players and 4 staff • 3 nights • Fukang Foundation via U19

Brother Hotel upgrade

US\$ 200

4★ • per room per night • breakfast • paid by the team

Additional guest

US\$ 120

sponsored stay • per person • 3 nights

charged at submission

4 Add-on products

Optional • ordered on the form • charged at submission • handed out at check-in

Long-sleeve T-shirt • white (extra)

US\$ 30

Long-sleeve T-shirt • navy

US\$ 30

Backpack

US\$ 30

Official basketball

US\$ 80

Logo socks

US\$ 10

Water bottle

US\$ 15

Hoodie

US\$ 20

Polo shirt

US\$ 15

Sizes are collected on the registration form • Team orders only — no individual sales on site • prices are per item

All prices are in US dollars. The registration fee, the optional tournament package, hotel extras, additional banquet tickets and add-ons are charged to your credit card when you submit; teams that are not placed are refunded in full. Credit card only.



Tournament Products

The tournament package shirt for players and up to four staff, plus optional add-ons



IN THE PACKAGE • PLAYERS AND UP TO FOUR STAFF

Long-sleeve T-shirt • white

The official tournament shirt in white. Every rostered player and up to four staff receive one with the tournament package; additional shirts can be ordered. Sizes XS–4XL.

additional shirts US\$ 30 each



ADD-ON

Long-sleeve T-shirt • navy

Navy version of the tournament shirt • add-on only
• sizes XS–4XL

US\$ 30



ADD-ON

Backpack

Logo backpack • one size

US\$ 30



ADD-ON

Official basketball

The official game ball of the tournament

US\$ 80



ADD-ON

Logo socks

Per pair

US\$ 10



ADD-ON

Water bottle

Tournament logo

US\$ 15



ADD-ON

Hoodie

Sizes XS–4XL

US\$ 20



ADD-ON

Polo shirt

Sizes XS–4XL

US\$ 15

Add-ons are ordered by the team on the registration form, charged at submission and handed out at check-in. Sizes are collected on the form. There are no individual sales on site.



Registration

Apply online at aybc.org • one team per country in each pool • full refund if your team is not placed

1

Apply online at aybc.org Opens October 10, 2026

Register at aybc.org with at least 6 players, confirm your accommodation choice and any extras, sign the participation agreement and pay in full by credit card. Submitting the form is an application; it does not guarantee a place.

2

Review Rolling admission

Applications are reviewed in the order received. Your team is accepted once a place is confirmed in its pool — at most one team per country in each pool — and the team manager is notified by email. Teams without a place are refunded in full to the card used.

3

Roster & IDs By January 3, 2027 • 21:00 Taipei

Complete the roster (up to 15 players) and upload a scan of each player's passport or national ID. Identity is verified from the uploaded document only; you never type in ID numbers — we enter the details ourselves. The rooming list and T-shirt sizes are due at the same time. The roster locks at the cut-off.

4

Payment In full at submission

The registration fee (US\$ 700), the optional tournament package (US\$ 300), Your tournament ID is your game-day pass and, with the tournament package, the banquet ticket for players and up to four staff. to your credit card when you submit. Teams without a place are refunded in full. Once your team is accepted, the registration fee is non-refundable. Accommodation can be changed or refunded until December 20, 2026; after that, rooms and guests can only be added.

5

Schedule By December 31, 2026

The full schedule is published with team names, and each team receives its team packet: individual schedule, venue guide and the number of tournament IDs.

6

Check-in Thursday, January 7

Check in at your tournament hotel if you are staying with us; otherwise at the Help Desk at Court A1, Taipei Gymnasium, between 18:00 and 22:00. Bring passports or IDs to collect your tournament IDs and T-shirts.

Good to know

- Applications open October 10, 2026 at aybc.org — online only, credit card only.
- Rolling admission: the registration fee (US\$ 700) and the optional tournament package (US\$ 300) are charged at submission; teams without a place are refunded in full.
- The schedule is published by December 31, 2026.
- A minimum of 6 players is needed to apply; the roster can be completed to 15 until January 3, 2027 at 21:00 Taipei time.
- Your tournament ID is your game-day pass and, with the tournament package, the banquet ticket for players and up to four staff.
- Check-in: at your tournament hotel, or 18:00–22:00 at the A1 Help Desk, Taipei Gymnasium.
- Once your team is accepted, the registration fee is non-refundable. Accommodation can be changed or refunded until December 20, 2026; after that, rooms and guests can only be added.
- Register at aybc.org • questions: wen@aybc.org



How Your Application Progresses

Four stages • your team's stage is shown at aybc.org whenever you log in

1

Applying

You have started the form

- Everything you enter is saved as you go, so you can come back at any time.
- To submit you need at least 6 players, the signed agreement and payment in full by credit card.
- Nothing is charged, and no place is held, until you submit.
- Your page shows a checklist of what is still missing.



2

Submitted

Paid • under review

- Your payment has been received, and a receipt has been emailed to the team manager.
- Applications are reviewed in the order received; the team manager is notified by email once the review is complete.
- While you wait, complete the roster to 15 and upload passports or IDs.
- We recommend waiting for acceptance before booking flights.



3

Accepted

Placed in a pool

- Your place in the pool is confirmed (at most one team per country in each pool).
- Your page shows your pool, your deadlines and your accommodation.
- The roster locks on January 3, 2027 at 21:00 Taipei time.
- Request your visa invitation letter from this page.
- Once your team is accepted, the registration fee is non-refundable. Accommodation can be changed or refunded until December 20, 2026; after that, rooms and guests can only be added.

or

4

Refunded

Not placed • refunded in full

- If your pool already has a team from your country, or the division is full, we cannot place you.
- Everything you paid is refunded to the card you used within 5–10 business days.
- You can join the waiting list in case a team withdraws before the roster cut-off.
- Teams that applied receive an early invitation to the next AYBC.

Acceptance depends only on whether a place is available in your pool — one team per country in each pool. It is never a judgment of your team. Every email we send is also shown on your team's page.



Participation Agreement

Signed by the team manager on behalf of every player, coach and accompanying adult • read in full at registration

1 Assumption of risk

Basketball involves physical contact and a risk of injury, including serious injury. Each participant takes part voluntarily and accepts these risks, is responsible for being fit to play, and must disclose any medical condition to the team's coach.

3 Travel, hotel and food

The organizers are not responsible for travel, visas, flights, ground transport, hotel accommodation, meals or food safety. The sponsored tournament stay is arranged by the organizers and sponsored by the Fukang Culture and Education Foundation. The Brother Hotel upgrade and any additional guests or nights are arranged as a courtesy; those bookings are a contract between the team and the hotel. Weather delays, transport strikes or illness are the team's responsibility.

5 Media release

Every game is streamed on YouTube and photographed professionally. Participants grant the organizers a perpetual, royalty-free license to record, broadcast and publish images, video and names for the event, its promotion and its partners, without compensation.

7 Application and refunds

Submitting the form and paying constitutes an application. Each pool accepts at most one team per country. Teams that are not placed receive a full refund of everything paid, to the card used. Once your team is accepted, the registration fee is non-refundable. Accommodation can be changed or refunded until December 20, 2026; after that, rooms and guests can only be added.

9 Data and payment

Passport and ID details are used only to verify age and identity, and are deleted after the event. Payment is by credit card only and is processed by a third-party provider; the organizers never store card numbers.

2 Release of liability

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the team, each player and each parent or guardian release and hold harmless AYBC, the U19 League (U19.com), ESSA (ESSA.org), their officers, staff, referees, volunteers, venue owners and sponsors from any claim for injury, illness, death, loss or damage to property arising from participation in or travel to the event, except where caused by gross negligence or willful misconduct.

4 Medical

First aid is available at every venue, and the organizers may call emergency services on a participant's behalf. Treatment, ambulance and hospital costs are borne by the participant. Teams are strongly advised to carry travel and sports-injury insurance that is valid in Taiwan.

6 Conduct

Teams are responsible for the conduct of their players, staff and supporters. Abuse of officials, fighting or damage to a venue may result in removal from the tournament without refund. Venue rules apply at all times.

8 Force majeure

If the event is cancelled or shortened for reasons beyond the organizers' control, such as a typhoon, earthquake, public-health order or venue closure, liability is limited to a refund of registration fees less costs already incurred.

10 Governing law

This agreement is governed by the laws of Taiwan (R.O.C.); disputes are subject to the courts of Taipei.

This page is a summary for reference only. The version accepted online at registration is the binding text.



Key Information

Daily check-in

Coaches check in at the venue 45 minutes before their team's first game each day. Only the tournament IDs are needed — no passports or national IDs.

Tournament ID

Issued at check-in to every rostered player and staff member. Carry it to every game — without it there is no access to the bench. With the tournament package, it also admits players and up to four staff to the banquet.

Roster cut-off

January 3, 2027 at 21:00 Taipei time. The roster is locked after that, and only players on it receive a tournament ID.

Sunday venues

Semifinalists of every division play at Taipei Gymnasium (A1 • A4), where all four finals are on A1. U10 5th–12th placement games are at Xinyi Sports Center (X1) 08:00–11:00; U12, U15 and U18 5th–12th placement games are at NTNU (S1 • S2) 09:00–14:00. Court assignments are announced on Saturday evening, after the last crossover game.

Hard clock

Every slot is 60 minutes. If a game falls more than 5 minutes behind, the second half is played entirely on a running clock, with no stop-clock periods.

Banquet

Saturday, January 9 at 19:00, TICC (Taipei International Convention Center), Banquet Hall 3F. Details will be sent to team managers.

Practice court

A practice court is available on Thursday, January 7 from 10:00 to 18:00 at no charge to teams. Reserve a slot through the tournament office.

Weather & travel

January in Taipei is cool (12–18 °C) and often rainy. Allow extra travel time between venues on Sunday.

Contact

Tournament office: wen@aybc.org • Co-organized by ESSA (ESSA.org) and the U19 League (U19.com)



About AYBC

Asia Youth Basketball Championship

ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS

The Asia Youth Basketball Championship (AYBC) is an international youth basketball series that has quickly become one of the most closely watched events in Asian grassroots and club basketball. It gives the region's top school and club teams a high-level stage for competing across borders. The next edition is the 2027 AYBC Taipei Edition, held in Taipei on January 7–10, 2027.



2027 Taipei Edition • key facts

- **Age groups:** U18: born on or after January 1, 2008 • U15: 2011 • U12: 2014 • U10: 2016

The field

2027 AYBC Taipei brings together leading teams from across Asia — teams that have finished in the top four of their national league or a major competition, or that have been invited on the strength of their program — for international competition at the highest youth level.

- **Registration:** Online registration opens at aybc.org on October 10, 2026. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and accepted while places remain.

Background

- **Previous editions:** AYBC has been held in Chungju, Korea (2024), Ansan, Korea (2025) and Fukuoka, Japan (February 2026), each drawing dozens of teams and well over a thousand players from Taiwan (clubs such as EMPOWER and Mamba), Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Thailand and Indonesia.
- **Official channel:** The latest entries, invitation letters and news are posted on Instagram at [@aybc.kr](https://www.instagram.com/aybc.kr).



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About ESSA

Elementary School Sport Association

ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS

The Elementary School Sport Association (ESSA) is a sports-promotion body founded by its current chairman, Scott Chen. Its mission is to close the gap between urban and rural sport and to build elementary-school basketball from the grassroots up. Every year it stages the landmark school tournaments that bring hundreds of elementary teams from across Taiwan together.

Two national events

- **EBC National Elementary Championship:** Held every March, with finely graded divisions — grade 5, grade 6, small schools and community clubs. Taichung Dazhi Elementary School won the 2026 grade-6 boys' top division.
- **EBS National Elementary Summer League:** Played every August in Taichung. Man-to-man defense only, no zone defense, and a mandatory half-court retreat once a team leads by 30 — rules that protect young players and keep the focus on fundamentals. Kaohsiung Guanghua Elementary School took the 2026 boys' top-division title.

Beyond the leagues

- **National Elementary All-Star Game:** An American-style all-star game and three-point contest on the elementary stage, held during the season.
- **Rural Care Tour:** A long-running program that takes coaches and donated equipment to schools in remote communities across Taiwan.
- **AYBC Taipei Edition:** Co-organizer with U19; leads Taiwan's U10 and U12 entries.



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About U19

U19 Basketball League • Taiwan's largest youth basketball league

ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS

The U19 Basketball League was founded in 2019 under the Fukang Culture and Education Foundation as Taiwan's professional-standard competition platform for players under 19, giving grassroots players a high-intensity, properly tiered place to play. The 2026–27 season opened on September 13, 2026 with a record 176 teams, more than 2,000 players and close to 3,000 games a year, every one live-streamed with real-time statistics.

How the league works

- **Precise tiering:** Teams are grouped by age (U19, U15, U12, U10, 8U) and by strength (Groups 1–3), with pre-season warm-up games used to place them, so every team meets opponents at its own level.
- **Defensive rules for development:** Younger and entry-level divisions (U10, 8U) must play man-to-man inside the three-point line — no full-court press, no zone — so children build defensive fundamentals and learn to move the ball.
- **American college-style format:** Modeled on the NCAA tournament: second-half playoff tiers (Diamond, Premier, A, B) are announced mid-season, with an All-Star Game, a three-point contest and a championship final on national television and streaming.
- **2026–27 highlights:** Programs such as Songshan High School, Dongtai High School and Zaixing Junior High take part, and in January 2027 the league hosts its first Storm Cup U15 girls' championship.

Training and venues

- **U19 Club:** More than 300 members aged 7 to 19 train and play year-round, with elite coaching and individual and club training.
- **Main venues:** Xinyi: Boai Court, Xinyi Sports Center • Da'an: Taipei Heping Basketball Gymnasium, Daan Junior High • Shilin: Shilin Sports Center • Datong: Tatung University, Jingxiu Girls' High School • also Xinhe Elementary (Wanhua) and Jinhe High School (Zhonghe).
- **AYBC Taipei Edition:** Tournament host — venues, schedule, registration, streaming and commentary — and the U15 and U18 divisions. Live schedules and standings at u19.com; highlights on Instagram @u19.league.



Jimmy Chen

Founder, U19 League



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Appendix • Entry to Taiwan

Visa and entry-permit rules for each invited country or region • checked September 2026 • 1/3

Country / region	Entry	Max stay	Before you travel	Notes
 Korea KOR	Visa-free	90 days	Nothing to apply for. Complete the online Taiwan Arrival Card (TWAC) within 7 days before departure.	Ordinary passport valid 6+ months. Return ticket.
 Japan JPN	Visa-free	90 days	Nothing to apply for. Complete the TWAC within 7 days before departure.	Ordinary passport valid 6+ months. Return ticket.
 Australia AUS	Visa-free	90 days	Nothing to apply for. Complete the TWAC within 7 days before departure.	Ordinary passport valid 6+ months. Return ticket.
 Singapore SGP	Visa-free	30 days	Nothing to apply for. Complete the TWAC within 7 days before departure.	Ordinary passport valid 6+ months. Return ticket.
 Thailand THA	Visa-free	14 days	Nothing to apply for. Complete the TWAC within 7 days before departure.	Trial visa-free scheme, valid until July 31, 2027. At the border also show your hotel booking, the organizers' invitation letter (host contact) and proof of funds. Ordinary passports only.
 Philippines PHL	Visa-free	14 days	Nothing to apply for. Complete the TWAC within 7 days before departure.	Trial visa-free scheme, valid until July 31, 2027. At the border also show your hotel booking, the organizers' invitation letter (host contact) and proof of funds. Ordinary passports only.
 Qatar QAT	Visa required	30 days • eVisa	Single-entry eVisa, online only: apply at visawebapp.boca.gov.tw , pay about US\$ 50 by card and print the approval. Valid 3 months from issue for one stay of up to 30 days; allow 2 weeks.	Ordinary passport valid 6+ months, return ticket, hotel booking and the organizers' invitation letter. Diplomatic and official passports are not eligible. TWAC also required.
 United Arab Emirates UAE	Visa required	30 days • eVisa	Single-entry eVisa, online only: apply at visawebapp.boca.gov.tw , pay about US\$ 50 by card and print the approval. Valid 3 months from issue for one stay of up to 30 days; allow 2 weeks.	Ordinary passport valid 6+ months, return ticket, hotel booking and the organizers' invitation letter. Diplomatic and official passports are not eligible. TWAC also required.



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Country / region	Entry	Max stay	Before you travel	Notes
 Indonesia IDN	Visa required	30 days (TAC) • per visa	Option A — Travel Authorization Certificate (TAC): free, online, issued in minutes, valid 90 days for stays up to 30 days. Eligible if the traveller holds a valid (or expired within 10 years) visa or resident card of Australia, Canada, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, a Schengen state, the UK or the US, a valid Japan visa-waiver registration, or a Taiwan visa/ARC within 10 years. Apply at niaspeedy.immigration.gov.tw and print the certificate. Option B — Visitor visa at the Taipei Economic and Trade Office in Jakarta or Surabaya: US\$ 50 single entry; allow 3 weeks.	Visa documents: online form at visawebapp.boca.gov.tw , 2 photos, passport valid 6+ months, return ticket, itinerary, bank statement and the organizers' invitation letter. TWAC also required.
 Mongolia MGL	Visa required	Per visa	Visitor visa from the Taipei Trade and Economic Representative Office in Ulaanbaatar: US\$ 50 single entry (+50% for express). Start at least 4 weeks before departure — the office closes over the holidays.	Documents: online form at visawebapp.boca.gov.tw , 2 photos, passport valid 6+ months, return ticket, itinerary, bank statement and the organizers' invitation letter. Taiwan's eVisa is not open to Mongolian passports unless invited through a central-government agency. TWAC also required.
 Hong Kong HKG	Online permit	30 days (online) • 3 months (paid)	An Entry Permit, not a visa. HK permanent residents born in Hong Kong — or who have entered Taiwan before — apply for the free online Entry Permit: issued within minutes, single entry, valid 3 months for a stay up to 30 days; print it. Residents born outside Hong Kong on a first visit apply online for the Exit & Entry Permit: NT\$600, about 5 working days, upload HK permanent ID card, HKSAR or BNO passport and a photo.	Passport valid 3+ months. TWAC also required. Apply at the National Immigration Agency site: immigration.gov.tw .
 Taiwan TWN	Host	—	Host country.	



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Applies to everyone

Passport

Valid at least 6 months on the day of entry, with blank pages. Emergency or temporary travel documents do not qualify for visa-free entry.

Taiwan Arrival Card (TWAC)

Free online arrival card for every foreign visitor, including Hong Kong residents — twac.immigration.gov.tw, within 7 days before arrival. No paper card is issued on the plane.

At the border

Carry a confirmed return or onward ticket and your hotel booking. Immigration may ask to see the tournament invitation letter.

Invitation letter

After acceptance the organizers issue one letter per team, listing players and staff as printed on their passports. Request it from your team page on aybc.org or at wen@aybc.org.

Players traveling without parents

Carry a signed parental consent letter and a copy of the parent's ID (recommended, not required by Taiwan).

Checked in September 2026 against the Bureau of Consular Affairs (boca.gov.tw) and the National Immigration Agency (immigration.gov.tw). Rules change — confirm before booking. Visa fees are paid by the team. Questions: wen@aybc.org.