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<b>League Level Qualifying</b>	<b>November 4-13, 2023</b>	<b>January 13-22, 2024</b>
<b>Sectional Level Qualifying</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>State Finals</b>	<b>April 6-7, 2024 April 13-14, 2024 April 20-21, 2024 April 27-28, 2024</b>	<b>Carl Richard's 4th Street Bowl (Joplin, MO)</b>
<b>State Finals Certification Number</b>		<b>Cert. #04965</b>
<b>Rules</b>	<b>See Below</b>	



# 2024 MISSOURI STATE USBC PEPSI YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES

1. This tournament is certified by USBC. Tournament Certification Number: **04965** Entry is open to all USBC Youth Bowlers.
2. This is a one-time entry. If an individual qualifies and cannot participate at the next level, replacements will be eligible based on the order of finish in the same division of the same window of the qualifying event.
3. Advancement ratio from league level to state is at least one (1) for every three (3), or major fraction thereof league members in that division. In all cases, at least one (1) person per division will advance. **The base number of league members are those who were eligible to compete in each division, not just members present on the day of competition.**
4. League level qualifying to determine bowlers who will advance to the state level competition will be held during sanctioned league play within two separate one-week qualifying windows. The dates for these windows are

**November 4-13, 2023 and January 13-22, 2024**

These qualifying dates may not be changed without permission from the state director. **Important Rule: All Pepsi Events** will be conducted on a **Scratch** basis only.

Advancers out of the league level must remain in the division they qualified in during all subsequent levels. If a bowler advances out of the league level in more than one state, the bowler must declare one state in which to continue his or her competing before the next competition level. Participation in any level of competition past the league level in more than one state will result in automatic disqualification.

5. **Entry closing date is April 1, 2024.** We will be using the USBC Online Registration System for the 2024 MOUSBC Pepsi Youth Championships. Parents of qualifying bowlers or Youth Coordinators may register bowlers using the link at <http://mousbc.org/tournament-pepsi/>. This will give immediate feedback on squad availability and scheduling for each participant.

**State Competition will take place at:**

Carl Richard's 4th Street Bowl  
1419 W. 4th Street  
Joplin, MO 64801  
(417) 624-5681

**Dates and Squads**

April 06, 07, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, and 28  
Saturdays: 9:00 AM, 1:00 PM, and 5:00 PM  
Sundays: 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM  
(Other squads may be added as needed.)

6. Competition will be conducted in ten (10) divisions based on the participant's age as listed below. Participation in the wrong age division will lead to automatic disqualification. Bowlers must stay in the given division in that particular league throughout the entire window.  
**\*One way to think about this is...if a bowler turns 9, 11, 13 or 16 during the bowling season, he/she would be in the next highest age division. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT OF JUNIOR GOLD MEMBERSHIP TO ENTER U12, U15, & U18 DIVISIONS!**
7. The U8 and U10 for both boys and girls will bowl three (3) games, with total pin fall determining the winners. The U12, U15, and U18 for both boys and girls will bowl six (6) games, with total pin fall determining the winners. **All six (6) games will be bowled on one pair of lanes.**

BOYS	Bowlers whose Birthdate is:	GIRLS
U8	8/1/2015 or later	U8
U10	8/1/2013 thru 7/31/2015	U10
U12	8/1/2011 thru 7/31/2013	U12
U15	8/1/2008 thru 7/31/2011	U15
U18	8/1/2005 thru 7/31/2008	U18

8. Awards and scholarship fees will be returned to the bowlers 100%. All scholarships will be maintained by the SMART Program, Account #08530 (USBC, Extension 8968).

Entry Fees are as follows:

	<b>U8 and U10</b>	<b>U12, U15, and U18</b>
PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE THRU ONLINE PORTAL	Lineage	\$ 10.00 Lineage \$20.00
Link at <a href="http://mousbc.org/tournament-pepsi/">http://mousbc.org/tournament-pepsi/</a>	Expenses	6.50 Expenses 8.00
	Awards	1.75 Awards 1.75
	Scholarships	8.75 Scholarships 15.25
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 27.00 TOTAL \$ 45.00</b>

9. DRESS CODE: Requirement for entry into this tournament is the wearing of nice jeans, slacks, or fingertip length skirts, shorts, or skorts. No sleeveless blouses or shirts, tank tops, or halter tops will be allowed. Any clothing depicting violence, foul language or gestures, tobacco or alcohol products will not be allowed. Head gear is not allowed. Smoking will not be allowed on the concourse or in the settee area during competition.
10. Replacements may only be chosen from the same qualifying window and division as the individual who has dropped. The order of replacement must be in the order of finish.
11. Bowlers will be allowed ten minutes of practice prior to scoring.
12. A bowler arriving late shall begin play with their score counting in the frame then being bowled. Frames missed will be counted as a 0. A bowler not present and ready to bowl when it is his/her turn will be credited with 0 for that frame.
13. Only bowlers and tournament officials will be allowed in the settee area.
14. Symbolic awards will be given to at least first place in every division.
15. Scholarships will be given to at least first place in every division.
16. **The Champions of the U12, U15, and U18 divisions for both boys and girls will advance to the 2024 Junior Gold Championships from July 14-22, 2024 in Detroit, MI. Winners must be USBC Junior Gold members to advance to the Junior Gold Championships. Bowlers without a current Junior Gold membership must purchase a Junior Gold Membership prior to June 8, 2024. USBC will waive the \$200 (U18), \$150 (U15) and \$100 (U12) entry fee for these athletes. These athletes will compete for additional scholarships available to all athletes at the championships, as well as other prizes and awards. All US Citizens are vying for a spot on USBC Junior Team USA 2023 to represent the United States in national and international competition. If the U12, U15, and U18 Division Champion is unwilling or unable to become a Junior Gold member they will not advance to the Junior Gold Championships. However, the athlete will still retain the state/zone scholarship, but the berth to the Junior Gold Championships will be awarded to the next eligible athlete. No stipend or travel reimbursement will be provided to these athletes.**
17. **U8 and U10 boys and girls divisions do not advance beyond state competition.**
18. Failure to abide by any rules and regulations will lead to disqualification from this event.
19. The Missouri USBC Tournament Committee will decide all matters not covered by these rules and regulations, and USBC rules and regulations. The National Youth Championships Tournament Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any participant.
20. **ALL BOWLERS MUST SEE AND UNDERSTAND THESE RULES.**
21. **Confirmation Letters will be automatically sent when registration is completed online.**

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