



Join the fun that over 2100 youth bowlers have experienced in the last 28 years. The KCO are monthly youth scholarship tournaments, which provides youth bowlers of all ages the opportunity to compete against other youth bowlers at the same skill levels. The seasonal monthly tournaments concludes with an invitational tournament which is held in June. There will also be youth/adult tournaments during the season so parents and friends can join the fun. Hundreds of dollars in scholarships are awarded at each tournament with funds being deposited into the youth's USBC SMART account. The KCO has awarded nearly a Million Dollars in Scholarships and awards of such over the past 28 years.

"FIRST PLACE IN ALL DIVISIONS \$110.00 EACH MONTH!"*

"KCO NOW ON  PRODIGY BOWLERS TOUR, As Seen on YouTube!"

2023 – 2024 Tournament Schedule and Information

USBC Youth Sanctioned POINT TOURNAMENT DATES:

Junior Gold Youth Qualifying Tournaments

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| Sep. 10th, 2023 - Olathe Lanes East | Feb. 4th, 2024 – Crown Lanes <small>(Leavenworth, KS)</small> |
| Oct. 1st, 2023 – Gladstone Bowl <small>(Gladstone, MO)</small> | Mar. 3rd, 2024 – Olathe Lanes East |
| Nov. 5th, 2023 – Royal Crest Lanes <small>(Lawrence, KS)</small> | Apr. 7th, 2024 – Crown Lanes |
| Jan. 7th, 2024 – Royal Crest Lanes | May 5th, 2024 – Revolutions Lanes <small>(Saint Joseph, MO)</small> |

Youth/Adult Tournament Dates:

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| Dec. 3rd, 2023 – Olathe Lanes East | Mar. 17th, 2024 – Aaron's Family Fun Center
<small>(Belton, MO)</small> |
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Invitational Scholarship Tournament

Jun. 2nd, 2024 – Olathe Lanes East

Dress Code for all Tournaments

All competitors shall wear an appropriate shirt. Shirts must have finished sleeves. Full-length Slacks/Pants not made of denim, fleece, or Lycra/Spandex fabrics. Hats, sunglasses, ball caps, other types of headgear, and electronic devices cannot be worn nor used during competition. See KCO Rules (#15Dress Dress Code) for further details and information. Tournament officials have final decision on attire.

Tournament Entry Methods EXCEPT Invitational

Register for the tournament by logging on to our website, www.kansascityopen.com and filling out the entry form. Registration is available until noon Thursday prior to the tournament. Walk-on registration is accepted on a first come first served basis on the day of the tournament, provided space is available. *Tournament entry fees are \$35 (\$15 lineage, \$18 awards, and \$2 expenses). Fees are due the day of the tournament at check-in or prepay options are available online. The same day (walk-on) entry fee is \$40. The invitational scholarship tournament has different entry rules.

KCO Divisions by averages: * (Takes at least 6 bowlers to make a division each month)

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| Division 1: 200 and Over – Scratch; | Division 2: 180 – 199 – Handicap |
| Division 3: 160 – 179 – Handicap; | Division 4: 140 – 159 – Handicap |
| Division 5: 139 and below – Handicap | |

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More Information and Bowling Format for Point Tournaments

1Yearly Membership Fee \$10.00 – Payable at the first tournament of season in which bowler participates.

Point Tournament: Open to all current USBC Youth members. Each participant may enter only once each tournament. First Place for all divisions is \$110 scholarship! (Minimum 6 bowlers to make a division each month)

Invitational Scholarship Tournament: To qualify you must bowl in five-point tournaments or four-point tournaments and one youth/adult tournament this season.

Season Point Winners: The highest point winner in each division will receive a scholarship award at the end of the season.

Season Perfect Attendance: Everyone participating in all point tournaments will receive a scholarship award at the end of the season.

Check out our website www.kansascityopen.com for More Detailed and Complete Information

BOWLING FORMAT – POINT TOURNAMENTS

“A” SQUAD BOWLS FIRST BLOCK AT 8:45 / check in starts at 7:30

“B” SQUAD BOWLS FIRST BLOCK AT 10:15 / check in starts at 9:00

SECOND BLOCK CHECK IN FOR BOTH SQUADS WILL BE DETERMINED THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT STEPLADDER FINALS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING QUALIFYING

All bowlers will bowl two (2) three-game blocks. Position standings will be posted after the completion of each squad. Each 3-game block will be bowled on a different pair of lanes. After the two qualifying blocks the field will be cut to the top five bowlers in each division for the stepladder finals. Check-in time for the finals will be **immediately** following the posting of final qualifying scores and any ties (if applicable) have been decided. The stepladder finals will begin immediately following check-in. More information available on web site: www.kansascityopen.com

Junior Gold: If possible, Kansas City Open (KCO) will sponsor Junior Gold (JG) youth qualifying at each point tournament. Entries will be accepted the day of the tournament. Bowlers must show a current JG membership card before each tournament. If a bowler does not have their current JG membership card, they can purchase one on the day of the tournament. A JG membership consists of bowlers who MUST:

- a. Be a USBC youth member in good standing and comply with USBC Rule 400.
- b. Purchase an additional JG membership separate from regular USBC youth membership.

Unless a valid card is displayed prior to each tournament, that bowler will not be allowed to bowl JG qualifying in that KCO point tournament.

- Bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/2011 or later will participate in the U12 division. U12 JG membership fee is \$10.00 and entry fee for each U12 bowler at each tournament is \$25.00.
- Bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/2008 – 07/31/2011 will participate in the U15 division. U15 JG membership fee is \$30.00 and entry fee for each U15 bowler at each tournament is \$37.50.
- Bowlers whose birth date is 08/01/2005 – 07/31/2008 will participate in the U18 division. U18 JG membership fee is \$30.00 and entry fee for each U18 bowler at each tournament is \$50.00.

All divisions are combined competitions unless able to separate by gender without turning away any bowlers. The number of spots awarded is determined the day of the tournament based on the number entries that day per division. JG is a scratch tournament and each bowler's six games qualifying scores of the KCO tournament will be used. KCO qualifies 1:4 ratios to entries per division. Ties that need to be decided for qualifying advancers and/or first non-qualifier spot will be decided by a 9th and 10th frame roll-off prior to KCO Stepladder final matches. The first non-qualifier above the initial ratio with excess entries in each division can advance by paying funds to complete the entry fee. JG qualifier will not be held during the KCO Youth/Adult tournaments and the Invitational Scholarship Tournament.