



## **American Youth Table Tennis to Organize first ever New York City Middle School Table Tennis League**

**Three hundred New York City School Students expected to participate.**

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Irvington, N.Y. American Youth Table Tennis announced today the formation of a New York City Middle School table tennis league. The league will commence January 15, 2010 and will involve up to 24 New York City Middle Schools and 300 students.

The league is a collaboration between SPiN New York, American Youth Table Tennis and 12 physical education teachers and after school site directors. The league will be set up in a team competition format with schools and after school sites playing and competing against one another for 12 weeks this winter. The league championship finals and semi-finals matches will be held Saturday March 20<sup>th</sup> 2010 at SPiN NY, New York City's premier table tennis club.

The league will be set up as a team competition between school sites, with the focus being on developing school children as table tennis players and as student athletes. Table tennis is a social sport and a sport for life, as anyone can play it with little or no previous knowledge. The learning curve is small and the level of improvement is tremendous with practice.

**American Youth Table Tennis** ([www.aytto.org](http://www.aytto.org)) is a not for profit organization dedicated to organizing, developing, and implementing innovative programs in the international sport of Table Tennis that promote the emotional and physical well-being of inner-city youth.

**SPiN New York** ([www.spinyc.com](http://www.spinyc.com)) is a beautiful 13,000 square foot table tennis emporium in a subterranean space located on 48 East 23rd Street. SPiN is Open to the public from 11 am to 1 am seven days a week.