



Coaches,

As we prepare for the 2026 NDA High School National Championship, we are excited to share continued updates for this season. Please note, we will continue to release information as it is finalized. This email serves as a quick touch point in preparation for the event this upcoming season.

Reminder, the 2026 Championship will occur Saturday, February 14 - through Monday February 16. Early practice & registration will take place on Friday, February 13th.

DIVISION ROUNDS

- *NEW* Divisions with 3 rounds, only 1 team from each group will auto-advance from Preliminary Round to Final Round
- *NEW* Team Seeding:
 - Prelims:
 - If 2 groups, top 2 from the previous year split between groups
 - If 3 groups, top 3 from the previous year split between groups

- If a team chooses to switch division from previous year, seeding placement is voided
 - All other teams randomly split between groups
 - Semis: Reverse Rank of Preliminary score
 - Finals: Reverse Rank of Semi-Final standings
- NEW Wildcard advancement: Only applicable when divisions have 3 rounds
 - Next highest scoring team after 60% advancement from any Preliminary group will advance into the Semi-Finals round. Example: If 10 teams are advancing in Group A, B, & C (30 total teams), the next highest scoring 11th place team will advance as the Wildcard into the Semi-Final round, making 31 total semi-finalists.
 - Wildcard advancement will only take place from Preliminary Round to Semi-Final Round.
- Semi-Finalists & Finalists will be announced as divisions finalize in respective ballrooms – scores will no longer be announced.

GRAND CHAMPION

- NEW Award Process:
 - Total National Titles earned by team
 - Average of the 2 highest National Championship scores in final round
 - If all teams earned one title, the average will be taken from National Title score + next highest scoring routine
- Awarded based off Final Round scores ONLY
- *NOTE: Intermediate divisions not included in Grand Champion. Junior High/Middle & Junior Varsity will follow the same guidelines for Junior Grand Champion.*

EVENT EXPERIENCE

- Additional Universal Park ticket options for [EpicUniverse](#)
- Park Shuttle Transportation:
 - Friday 2/13 – Monday 2/16 – included in hotel package
 - Additional days can be scheduled and purchased directly with TTS, similar to airport transfers

RULES & SCORING

- The 2025-2026 Division, Rules & Regulations, Scoring Guidelines & Scoresheets have been updated.
 - [CLICK HERE](#) to view the most up to date information

PRICING

Pricing for the 2026 Championship is coming soon.

Earlier this month, we hosted a Town Hall to present the above updates. [CLICK HERE](#) to view the recording.

We are looking forward to a fantastic 2026 National Championship! Be on the lookout for pricing & registration timeline, coming soon.

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