

# ELIGIBILITY FORM

(All Cheer, Dance, Partner Stunt and Mascots must complete - Due December 12, 2019)



**COLLEGE**  
**CHEERLEADING & DANCE TEAM**  
 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Division \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

- The Dean of Students, Director of Compliance or Registrar's office must complete this form and have notarized before submitting. All forms are due December 12, 2019. Please see official Rules and Regulations for questions regarding participant eligibility.
- All participants must be registered full-time students for the fall semester of the college or university that they are representing in competition and official members of the school's spirit team (no club teams or competition only teams).
- Each cheer team must be accompanied by a current AACCA certified coach in order for the team to be eligible to compete. Proof of AACCA certification is required along with team eligibility form.
- Please list the names of all participants that are performing on the floor and any alternates at The College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship.

Participant's Name	Year's you have competed Nationally (ex: 2016, 2017, 2018)	AGE	Male	Female
1. _____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. _____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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18. _____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19. _____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20. _____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**ALTERNATES**

1. _____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. _____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. _____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

I warrant that all participants are registered full-time students for the fall semester of the college or university that they are representing in competition and official members of our school's spirit team (no club teams or competition only teams).

Signature of Advisor/Coach \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of School Administrator \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Registrar, Director of Compliance, Dean of Students, etc.)*

Title/Date \_\_\_\_\_

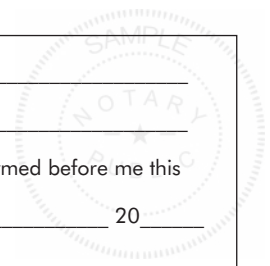
State of \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and affirmed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_  
 Notary Public

Commission Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_





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All team members must be registered full time students of the college or university that they are representing in competition and official members of the school's spirit squad (no Club Teams). Any university or college competing in the UCA / UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship shall not permit a student-athlete to represent their school unless the student-athlete meets all applicable eligibility requirements, and the coach and program administrative supervisor has certified the student-athlete's eligibility.

### 1. Can a College / University team compete at both NCA/NDA and UCA/UDA Collegiate Championships?

No, teams participating in the UCA / UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship will not be allowed to compete in any other event promoted as a "national championship" or "international championship" for the 2019-2020 school year (Exception: USA Collegiate Championships and Cheersport Nationals). Teams who do not adhere will automatically be disqualified from the 2020 Championship and will forfeit the opportunity to participate in the tournament the following year. Exceptions:

- a. A College / University can have two different teams compete at both events as long as they are officially recognized as two different teams at the College / University and student athletes competing are different. Members of the two teams cannot be the same.
- b. USA Collegiate Championships and Cheersport Nationals will follow all Varsity Spirit eligibility policies; however teams will be allowed to compete at UCA/UDA **or** NCA/NDA **and** also USA Collegiate Championships or Cheersport Nationals.

### 2. How will individual athletes competing in the College Partner Stunt National Championship count?

Individuals / student athletes competing in the College Partner Stunt National Championship will follow all eligibility policies. Examples:

- a. An individual / student athlete competes in Partner Stunt and Team Competition at the same event. This will count one year toward eligibility.
- b. An individual / student athlete competes in Partner Stunt in 2018 and then in 2019 competes with a team. This will count two (2) years toward eligibility.
- c. An individual / student athlete competes at UCA Partner Stunt, UCA Team Competition & NCA Partner Stunt within the same season. This will count one (1) year toward eligibility.
- d. An individual / student athlete competes at the USA Collegiate Championships in Partner Stunt, then competes in the UCA Team Competition the next year. This will count as two (2) years of eligibility.
- e. An individual / student athlete has competed for four (4) years with numerous teams. In 2020 the student-athlete competes at UCA in January with their team and then competes at NCA in the Partner Stunt Competition. This will count as five (5) years toward eligibility and therefore will no longer make them eligible to compete in the 2019-2020 season.

### 3. Individual athletes competing in one Championship Season:

A student-athlete may only represent ONE (1) school in ONE (1) National Championship competition for each academic year. For example, a student-athlete may not compete for one school in January, transfer and compete for another school in April, nor compete with the same school in separate championships in the same academic year.

### 4. Will Mascot participants competing in the College Mascot National Championship count toward eligibility?

Yes, all mascots will follow the same eligibility rules as cheer or dance student athletes and will only be allowed to compete for a maximum of five (5) years during the course of his/her college career, regardless of the number of universities or colleges they attend.

### 5. How will a transfer student or Junior College participation count?

At the Junior College level, any student athlete will only be eligible to compete in a maximum of three (3) years or Championship seasons during the course of his/her Junior College career. A transfer student athlete or Junior College Athlete can be a part of the four year institution's cheer / dance spirit squad but will only be allowed to compete for a maximum of five (5) years or Championship seasons during the course of his/her college career, regardless of the number of universities or colleges they have attended. Example: An athlete competes with a Junior College team for two years then transfers to compete with a four year school and competes for three years. That student athlete will have met the five year limitation.

**6. If a student athlete is on the roster and becomes injured prior to competing with the College / University will that count toward eligibility?**

An alternate or injured student-athlete that does not take the competition floor will not be perceived as a competing member and will not count towards the maximum of five (5) National Championships. A student athlete that performs in only one round of competition (prelims, semis, etc.), but does not compete in finals will still count towards one year of their eligibility.

**7. Will UCA / UDA allow a student-athlete any grandfathering rights?**

A grandfather clause is a provision in which an old rule continues to apply to some existing situations, while a new rule will apply to all future cases. UCA / UDA will not allow any grandfathering of participants. The rule was set in place in 2012 and must be followed for the 2019-2020 competition season.

**8. How will the UCA / UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship verify student athlete eligibility?**

Verification of eligibility will be required by the school's Registrar's Office and the program's administrative supervisor in addition to the coach. It will be the responsibility of these individuals to verify that all student-provided information and documentation is correct and valid.

**9. How will the UCA / UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship address potential eligibility violations or appeals from another team or individual?**

Any interpretations or decision of eligibility for the 2020 College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship will be rendered by the Rules Committee, which will consist of the Tournament Director, the UCA/UDA College Program Director and one other UCA/UDA official appointed by the Tournament Director. The Rules Committee will render a judgment in a manner consistent with the general goals of the tournament. Teams violating this rule could forfeit their titles and rankings as well as be prohibited from entering any other Varsity Spirit Championships the following year.

- a. All questions / concerns must be submitted in writing to [college@varsity.com](mailto:college@varsity.com).
- b. Should include all details
  1. College / University being reported
  2. Contact information of the reporting party
  3. Athlete information
  4. Detailed concern regarding student athlete
  5. Facts pertaining to support the claim