



Dear Coaches, Team Members and Family:

We are so happy that you will be joining us for the 40th anniversary of the UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship. I hope you and your team are ready to experience the Championship of a lifetime. I would like to once again congratulate you and your team on qualifying for this prestigious event.

Enclosed in this email is VERY IMPORTANT information for you to go over with your team members and family traveling to Orlando with you. We suggest giving a copy of this letter to every participant to share with their parents even if they have been to our Championship in the past.

Registration:

All teams will need to check in and register with the Varsity Spirit Staff in the Coaches Registration Tent located in front of Celebrity Hall at Disney All Star Resorts. You will receive all tickets, schedules and name tags for the championship as well as other pertinent information concerning the championship. Celebrity Hall is located in the back parking lot between Disney's All Star Sports Resort and Disney's All Star Music Resort. The security guard at the gate can direct you to this location. Here is the address:

Disney All Star Sports Resort
1701 W Buena Vista Drive
Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830
(407) 939-5000

Registration times for the Celebrity Hall Registration Tent are listed below:

Wednesday, February 5th – 10:00 am – 8:00pm

Thursday, February 6th – 8:00 am – 10:00pm

Friday, February 7th – 7:00 am – 10:00 pm

*If you cannot make any of the above listed times, you will register Saturday morning with the Varsity Spirit Staff Saturday morning at 7:00 am in the Championship Office.

Missing Forms:

Tickets, nametags, etc. will not be given out at registration until all forms are received (rules and regulations and release waiver forms) and balance of payments are taken care of.

UCA Championship Office:

The designated office for the Championship is located in Celebrity Hall. Office hours during the event are:

Wednesday, February 5th – 10:00 am – 8:00 pm

Thursday, February 6th – 8:00 am – 10:00 pm

Friday, February 7th – 7:00 am – 10:00 pm



Saturday, February 8th – 7:00 am – 11:00 pm
Sunday, February 9th – 7:00 am – 11:00 pm
Monday, February 10th – 8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Tuesday, February 11th – 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (Noon)

Order of Competition and Schedule of Events:

You may view the order of competition and the event schedule on uca.varsity.com.

Competition Venues:

This year we will be utilizing SIX competition venues, all at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex: The Arena at ESPN Wide World of Sports (four competition venues), the Visa Athletic Center and the HP Field House. On Friday and Saturday, we will also be using The Stadium (Baseball Stadium) for most Semi-Finalist and Finalists Announcements. Be sure to check your schedule for your announcement location. Some announcements have been left in the performance venue to allow ample time for athletes to prepare for the next round of competition.

ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex Admission:

Admission into ESPN Wide World of Sports is included only for those on the NHSCC hotel travel package and anyone purchasing Disney tickets from the NHSCC. Only those NOT purchasing tickets from the NHSCC will be charged an admission of \$40.00 per day into ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. Once you have entered the Complex you may go into any of our competition venues. These tickets are available only at the ESPN Wide World of Sports ticket booths and will be on sale the day of our events. If you have a Park Hopper, it only takes a day off your Sports Complex admissions and does NOT take a day from your Theme Park admissions.

Advancing from Prelims to Semis:

The top two teams in each preliminary round of 20 teams and over ("A", "B", etc.) will automatically advance to finals in their respective division. One team in each preliminary round of 19 teams and under ("A", "B", etc.) will automatically advance to finals in their respective division. A minimum of 50% of the teams in each prelim group (A, B, etc. including finalists) will advance to Semi-Finals.

Please Note: You may notice that some divisions only have one round prior to finals for that category, they are classified as a Semi-Final competition. 50% of the category will advance from Semi-Finals to Finals.

Order of Competition for Teams Advancing:

The order of competition for all teams advancing will be done by a random draw. Random draw will be based on the number of teams estimated to advance. If for some reason we advance more teams than estimated, any additional teams will be drawn from the total number of teams. The remaining teams will be added into the order and all other teams will move down.

Sunday Night Championship Celebration Party:



For those purchasing the UCA hotel travel package or if you purchased a GREEN wristband, Sunday evening we have planned an incredible Celebration Party at the Magic Kingdom® Park. The park will be closed to the public. The following attractions will also be open from 10:00 pm - 1:30 am.

- Tomorrowland®
 - Astro Orbiter
 - Buzz Lightyear's Space Ranger Spin®
 - Space Mountain®
 - Tomorrowland Speedway
- Fantasyland®
 - Seven Dwarfs Mine Train
 - Mad Tea Party
 - Under the Sea - Journey of the Little Mermaid
 - The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh
- Frontierland®
 - Big Thunder Mountain Railroad®
- Liberty Square
 - Haunted Mansion®

Dance the night away with one of our two DJ Dance Parties from approximately 10:00 pm – 2:00 am.

- Cinderella Castle Stage
- Frontierland Stage near Country Bear Jamboree

Dress is casual. The cost of the Celebration Party is included in the NHSCC hotel travel package. For those teams or family members who didn't purchase the hotel travel package, admission into the Celebration Party is \$45.00. Extra tickets (wristbands) are VERY limited and will be for sale only during the registration times listed on the previous page. Wristbands will NOT be sold the night of the party at the park. TRANSPORTATION IS NOT PROVIDED FOR THOSE PURCHASING EXTRA TICKETS.

Celebration Party - Charter Buses or Individual Cars:

Walt Disney World buses DO NOT shuttle to Magic Kingdom® Park this evening due to the park being closed to the public. Those purchasing extra wristbands must provide their OWN TRANSPORTATION. For those taking their cars or vans to the Celebration party please self-park in the Magic Kingdom® Park parking lot; proceed to the Ticket and Transportation Center; then take the Ferryboat to the Magic Kingdom® Park. If a team is using their own charter bus, they will need to park in the Charter Bus lot adjacent to the Ticket and Transportation Center and then use the Ferryboat to ride over to the Magic Kingdom® Park. PLEASE NOTE: Bus parking lot at 10:00pm will be quite busy with regular guests exiting the park. Be prepared to have your bus driver drop you off and wait to find a parking spot. When returning to your cars or buses at the end of the party you will need to ride the Ferryboat back to the Ticket and Transportation Center, do not plan on any pick ups at the bus loop in front of the Magic Kingdom® Park.



PLEASE NOTE: Each group of minors attending the Celebration Party must be accompanied by an adult chaperone (21 years or older) in order to be allowed into the Party. No liquids of any kind will be allowed in the park. Liquid medication should be reported to the front gate Disney Cast Members.

Photography and Video Policy:

The safety and security of our participants is very important to us. If you or any members of your team suspect that anyone is taking inappropriate photos or videos of our participants, please contact one of our Event Staff immediately. All press requests will be taken seriously and a contract must be signed prior to clearance being given. We hope that you understand the seriousness of this issue and give us your full support. For press clearance, please email Sheila Noone at snoone@varsity.com.

Universal Event Photography:

Each team will have the opportunity to have their team portrait taken prior to their **first** rehearsal. Order forms are available on uca.varsity.com if you would like to purchase them. You may make as many copies as needed. Please have the completed order forms with you when you have your picture taken. [Here is the UEP form.](#)

Live streaming on [Varsity TV on Varsity.com](http://VarsityTVonVarsity.com):

Watch the National High School Cheerleading Championship LIVE, routine videos, future events, documentaries and more on [Varsity TV on Varsity.com](http://VarsityTVonVarsity.com), with an annual or monthly membership!

Coverage includes:

Friday February 7th

The live stream will begin at 8:00 am EST from the HP Field House, the Visa Athletic Center, Arena South and Arena West, 8:30 am EST from Arena North and Arena East and 11:00 am EST from The Stadium (Baseball Stadium).

Saturday February 8th

The live stream will begin at 8:00 am EST from the HP Field House, the Visa Athletic Center, Arena South and Arena East, 8:30 am EST from Arena North and Arena West and 11:00 am EST from The Stadium (Baseball Stadium).

Sunday February 9th

The live stream will begin at 9:00 am EST from the HP Field House and 10:00 am EST from the Visa Athletic Center and Arena South.

*The live stream from The Stadium on Friday and Saturday with Semi-Finalist and Finalists Announcements will be free from the Varsity TV NHSCC Announcements hub.

Competition Routine Videos:

Competition routine videos will be available to Varsity TV members during the championship weekend and for the duration of their membership. For all other viewers, competition routine videos will be available free of charge beginning seven days after the event has concluded. After July 1st, these videos will only be available to Varsity TV members.



BAND the App:

We are so excited to be using BAND, a free app for all competition communication throughout the weekend at the UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship! There will be important information, schedules, directions and much more, along with the ability to share pictures throughout the event in the [2020 UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship BAND](#).

BAND is for everyone! Invite your team's parents, athletes and fans who are joining you in Orlando. BAND is also giving away prizes to those who download the app and follow the instructions given inside the app prior to the start of the competition. Take a few seconds to download the app by clicking the [link here](#).

Travel safely and good luck at the Championship!

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Berry
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Special Events and Competitions