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# Updates

HERE'S WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GO.

Hello Coaches,

As we get closer to the UCA National High School Cheerleading Virtual Championship, we have some exciting news to share with you all. Because we want every athlete to experience nationals to the fullest, and we know how hard everyone has worked this year, we are excited to announce that for **2021 only** all teams, including our virtual teams at NHSCC will have the opportunity to compete **twice**; once in Semi-Finals and once in Finals. It is our hope that with two guaranteed performances, we will provide an additional opportunity for everyone to showcase their skills on the national level and celebrate each other (especially the seniors).

Please see the Team List and the Final Awards Schedule below. If you are listed in the incorrect division, please email Lisa Keys, [lkeys@varsity.com](mailto:lkeys@varsity.com) by Monday, April 5th.

**[NHSCC VIRTUAL TEAM LIST](#)**

**[NHSCC VIRTUAL FINAL AWARDS SCHEDULE](#)**

Fifty percent of your team's score from Semi-Finals and fifty percent of your team's score from Finals will be combined to determine the final overall ranking in each division. The Semi-Finals order of competition was randomly drawn in our office for judging. The Finals order will be in the reverse order of competition from Semis.

Also new this year, we will be posting each ranking along with scores on Varsity TV. In the past, we have only posted the teams who advanced in rank order. We hope that this new change allows us to be more transparent with you, the athletes and the fans watching at home. As coaches, you will have the opportunity to see the full division breakdown, however, it is our hope that you will keep that information to yourselves for the protection of the cheerleaders who may not have had their strongest performance.

#### **VIRTUAL TIMELINE**

- The Semi-Final upload information will be sent to you on April 5th. Videos must be submitted by midnight CST on April 7th.
- On April 12th, all videos and Semi-Final rankings will be available to watch on Varsity TV. You will receive an email with your score sheets.
- The Final upload information will be sent to you on April 13th. Videos must be submitted by midnight CST on April 15th. You will have the option to upload the same video you used for Semis, or upload a new video for Finals, but all teams **MUST** upload a video to be judged for Finals.
- Finals videos will be part of the in-person live stream competition on April 23rd and play throughout the day. We will send a detailed order of competition with times to you closer to the event. Awards will also be streamed throughout the day on the 23rd (see schedule above for times).
- Final score sheets will be emailed to coaches and all teams will be mailed their awards after the event.

As a reminder, please join the [Coaches' BAND](#) if you haven't done so already. UCA is always here to help you on your journey to nationals. If you have any additional questions, please email Lisa Keys, [lkeys@varsity.com](mailto:lkeys@varsity.com).

