

Dear Commuter Coaches,

It's almost time for the 2022 UCA & UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship. We're excited to bring this championship experience to you and your team as safely as possible, while still capturing the Disney magic you've come to know and expect from UCA & UDA.

This email contains 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.

Varsity Registration

Once you arrive in Orlando, ONE PERSON, the contact person on your registration/invoice, should go to registration with the Varsity Spirit Staff at the Varsity Registration Tent in front of Celebrity Hall between the Music and Sports Resort at your **confirmed reservation time**. You should have already received an email notification with information on what you need to bring and how to reserve your check-in appointment time. The email was sent on January 4th to register for your appointment. To ensure that everything runs smoothly, please do not arrive to your check-in time more than 15 minutes early. Coaches will need to bring signed copies of the release waivers for each athlete and coach to registration as well as their completed athlete eligibility form. Also, coaches need to provide proof of USA Cheer Membership and music verification information.

Here is the hotel address, then follow the signs to Celebrity Hall:

Disney's All-Star Music Resort
1801 West Buena Vista Drive
Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830
(407) 939-6000

Registration times are listed below, again you **MUST** have an appointment to enter the Varsity Registration Tent.

Wednesday, January 12th – 9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Thursday, January 13th - 9:00 am – 9:00 pm
Friday, January 14th - 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

**** If you are delayed in your arrival and cannot make your check-in appointment time at registration, please come to Celebrity Hall during regular hours and we will reschedule your appointment.**

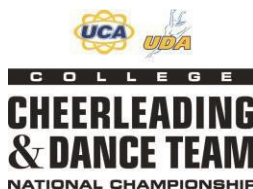
UCA & UDA Championship Office Hours:

The Championship Office is located in Celebrity Hall and the hours are listed below.

Wednesday, January 12	9:00 am – 9:00 pm
Thursday, January 13	9:00 am – 9:00 pm
Friday, January 14	9:00 am – 10:00 pm
Saturday, January 15	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Sunday, January 16	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Monday, January 17	8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Order of Competition and Schedule of Events:

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



Competition Venues:

This year's competitions will take place in two different venues: The Arena at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex and the Field House at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. Admission into ESPN Wide World of Sports is included only for those on the UCA/UDA hotel travel package, commuter athletes and coaches and anyone purchasing Disney tickets from Varsity Spirit.

Anyone still needing to purchase tickets into ESPN Wide World of Sports can [CLICK HERE](#) to purchase them for \$40 per day. Please pre-purchase these online prior to arriving in Orlando. Once you purchase your ticket online, you will receive an email from ESPN Wide World of Sports with your tickets. When you arrive at the Sports Complex, you will show your ticket barcode to enter. The \$40.00 admission will get you into both the Arena and the Field House.

Advancement Announcements and Awards:

We will be doing all announcements for advancing to finals in the venue as well as streaming on Varsity TV. We are planning on in person awards this year in the scheduled venue. College Dance Teams, please be sure to bring your warmup to wear during awards.

Private Buses:

At the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex, private chartered buses will be directed to load and unload in the private bus parking lot.

Performance Order and Scoring:

The top scoring 50% of teams will advance from Semi-Finals to Finals. The Semi-Finals order of competition was randomly drawn in our office. The Finals order will be in the reverse order of competition from the Semi-Finals ranking.

Sunday Night Championship Celebration Party

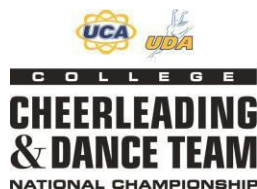
We are so excited to have our Celebration Party this year at Magic Kingdom® Park! The park will be closed to the public. The following attractions will be open from 10:00 pm-1:30 pm

- Astro Orbiter
- Space Mountain®
- Tomorrowland Speedway
- Buzz Lightyear's Space Ranger Spin®
- Seven Dwarfs Mine Train
- Mad Tea Party

We will have a DJ set up on the Castle Stage! This DJ will play until 2:00 am. (The DJ plays thirty minutes longer than the attractions are open). Select food and beverage locations will be open. As a reminder, face coverings must be worn indoors and in any que lines.

Dress is casual. As a commuter, this is not included in your package. For those teams or family members who didn't purchase the hotel travel package, admission into the Celebration Party is \$55.00. Extra tickets (wristbands) are 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. Walt Disney World buses DO NOT shuttle to Disney Magic Kingdom® Park this evening due to the park being closed to the public. Those purchasing extra wristbands must provide their OWN TRANSPORTATION. 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.



Coaches Webinar

Instead of having coaches meetings on site at the resorts, we will email your team contact person a video webinar. The email with this video will be sent soon. This will allow you to prepare for your trip and to share information with all of your coaches. Once you arrive in Orlando, we will have a separate coaches' registration and our UCA/UDA representatives available for any questions you may have.

USA Cheer Membership and access to the Warmup and Backstage area:

This is just a reminder that any coach, choreographer, band directors, administration, or personnel wishing to access the warmup area, backstage or coaches' box must have a USA Cheer Coach, Dance or Professional Membership. When coaches register on arrival day, they will have to show a photo ID and proof of membership for each person from your school who wants access to receive their wristband. Once your membership is complete, you can print your membership card, or save and display it on your mobile device at event. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and to complete the steps required before you arrive in Orlando. There will be no exceptions to this requirement, so please be sure to complete it prior to arriving in Orlando.

Music:

All teams must provide their own device for use on the event provided sound system. **NEW!** There will no longer be a pre-check music area at the music table. Music should be on a digital music player/iPod/iPhone. CD's will no longer be allowed, and CD players will not be provided at competition. Music must be recorded at the correct tempo and loaded onto an MP3 device. Please make sure that all devices have a headphone jack to connect to sound system and are fully charged, volume turned up and placed in airplane mode. Please ensure that jacks are clean and free of any debris which may impact connectivity. You will need to acquire an adapter in advance if your player does not have a headphone jack. Coaches will be escorted from the staging area to the music play area. We highly suggest that a coach plays the music and not a participant.

Walt Disney World Tickets-VERY IMPORTANT:

Once you are paid in full, you will receive an email from Varsity Spirit with your theme park ticket numbers for each person on your invoice. You will then need to complete the steps below to enter ESPN Wide World of Sports or any Theme Park. If you have paid in full and have not received your ticket number email, please contact your Registration Specialist. If you do not link your ticket prior to arrival, it could delay you in getting into the Sports Complex.

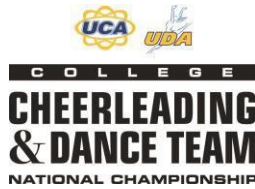
Ticket Linking and Park Reservations

If you have not done so already, download the MyDisney Experience app to link your theme park tickets and make a park reservation. As a reminder, we highly recommend that Guests make their theme park reservations as soon as they receive their ticket confirmations, as park availability can change and is limited. [CLICK HERE](#) to view the Disney How-To Guide for ticket linking!

If you have any issues or trouble linking your Walt Disney World tickets, please contact the Disney Guest Help Desk at 407-939-4357.

ESPN Wide World of Sports Access

If you are not planning to visit a theme park during your visit, you still must link your tickets through your MyDisney Experience app in order to gain access to the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. No park reservation is required to enter the Sports Complex.

**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. For 2022, due to venue restrictions, full press clearance will not be granted for any outside media groups. Team photographers can request clearance to photograph their team only by contacting Emily below no later than Thursday, January 13th. We hope that you understand the seriousness of this issue and give us your full support. For questions, please email Emily Zemlachenko, ezemlachenko@varsity.com.

UEP Photography

Due to health and safety protocols, there will not be team photos or any on-site photo booths at this event. Have no fear - Universal Event Photography still has your team covered! UEP is offering [contactless pre-orders](#) for their very popular action photo digital files package. Get all the action photos from your routine for one price and share them with your team! Your order will be delivered via email link after the event. Bring home the best action photos of your team's performance with the quality you can trust, only with UEP!

Additional Event Reminders:

- Your health and safety is always our #1 priority. Before arriving to the championship, take a moment to review our [Championship Experience Updates](#) and be sure to talk to your team's Safety Champion if you have any questions.
- Each team must have a Safety Champion who is 18 years or older and who is not the coach. Each Safety Champion must complete the Safety Champion training. If you have multiple teams, you must have a different Safety Champion for each team. Information about Safety Champion training will be sent out in the coming days.
- Stay up to date with full coverage of the championship including routine videos, results, behind the scenes features and more on [Varsity TV](#).
- Be sure to join the [2022 UCA & UDA College Coaches BAND Group](#) for important updates and information during the competition weekend.

Good luck and travel safely. If you have any questions, please call our Customer Service Specialist at 1-888-CheerUCA (1-888-243-3782) or 1-800-DanceUDA (1-800-326-2383).

Sincerely,

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