# 2023-2024 SCHOOL \& REC NHSCC DIVISIONS 

## Revised 5/16/2023

## JUNIOR HIGH / JUNIOR VARSITY DIVISIONS

2023-2024 Season: All members of the cheerleading squad must be current members of the official school spirit squad.

- Junior Varsity Divisions WILL be allowed 7th grade participants if they attend a school that is under the administrative supervision of the same school board as the high school that they are representing. Teams will only be allowed to compete in the Junior Varsity Division if they are the official Junior Varsity team. If there is only one team from that school, that team will be required to compete in the Varsity divisions. If you have team members that cheer varsity sports, you must compete as a varsity team.
- Junior High Divisions WILL be allowed 9th grade participants if (1) they attend a school that is under the administrative supervision of the same school board as the junior high school that they are representing AND (2) a minority of the team are 9th graders.
- Junior High teams with a majority of 9th grade participants must compete as a Junior Varsity team.

NEW 2023-2024

- Teams must compete in the same Performance Routine and Game Day Routine i.e. Non Tumbling or Non Building must be the same for both. Example: Teams will not be allowed to compete in a Varsity Tumbling Category and a Non Tumbling Game Day Category or vice versa.

| Division | Grade | Female/Male | Team Members | Notes |
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| Small Junior High | 9th grade and below | Female/Male | 5-16 Members |  |
| Large Junior High | 9 9th grade and below | Female/Male | 17-30 Members |  |
| Small Junior Varsity Division I | 7th grade - 12th grade | Female | 5-16 Members | 1300+ Students |
| Large Junior Varsity Division I | 7th grade - 12th grade | Female | 17-30 Members | 1300+ Students |
| Junior Varsity Division II | 7th grade - 12th grade | Female | 5-30 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Junior Varsity Coed | 7th grade - 12th grade | Female/1+ Males | 5-30 Members | Official JV team or a JH team with a majority of 9th grade team members. (1 or more males required) |

## VARSITY DIVISIONS

To create a Championship that gives equal opportunity for schools of similar student composition, UCA will sub-divide the below listed divisions at the NHSCC based on school enrollments in the 9th - 12th grades as of October 1, 2023. Check out www.uca.varsity.com for more details. - 7th grade and below participants will NOT be allowed on a Varsity team; however, 8th grade participants will be allowed to participate on a Varsity team if the school they attend is under the direct administrative supervision of the same school board as the Varsity team they are representing. If there is only one team from a school, that team will be required to compete in the Varsity divisions.

| Division | Grade | Female/Male | Team Members | Notes |
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| Small Varsity Division I | 8th - 12th grade | Female | 5-15 Members | 1300+ Students |
| Small Varsity Division II | 8th - 12th grade | Female | 5-15 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Medium Varsity Division I | 8th - 12th grade | Female | 16-19 Members | 1300+ Students |
| Medium Varsity Division II | 8th - 12th grade | Female | 16-19 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Large Varsity Division I | 8th - 12th grade | Female | 20-23 Members | 1300+ Students |
| Large Varsity Division II | 8th - 12th grade | Female | 20-23 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Super Varsity Division I | 8th - 12th grade | Female | 24-30 Members | 1300+ Students |
| Super Varsity Division II | 8th - 12th grade | Female | 24-30 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Small Varsity Coed Division I | 8th - 12th grade | Female/1-4 Males | 5-20 Members | 1300+ Students (1-4 Males Required) |
| Small Varsity Coed Division II | 8th - 12th grade | Female/1-4 Males | 5-20 Members | 1-1299 Students (1-4 Males Required) |
| Medium Varsity Coed | 8th - 12th grade | Female/4-7 Males | 21-25 Members | 4 to 7 Males Required |
| Large Varsity Coed | 8th - 12th grade | Female/8+ Males | 21-30 Members | 8 or more Males Required |

Non Building Divisions: No partner stunts, pyramids or tosses allowed.

| Division | Grade | Female/Male | Team Members | Notes |
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| Varsity Non Building Game Day | 8th -12 th grade | Female/Male | $5-30$ Members | Non Building Divisions: No partner <br> stunts, pyramids or tosses allowed |

## NON TUMBLING DIVISIONS

Non Tumbling Divisions will prohibit any and all tumbling with feet over head rotation i.e. rolls and walkovers not allowed. Legal inversions into or from stunts will not be considered tumbling and are allowed in this division. Exception: a back handspring entry into stunts / pyramids will not be allowed.

| Division | Grade | Female/Male | Team Members | Notes |
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| Junior High Non Tumbling | 9th grade and below | Female/Male | 5-30 Members |  |
| Junior Varsity Non Tumbling | 7th grade - 12th grade | Female/Male | 5-30 Members |  |
| Small Varsity Non Tumbling Division I | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female | 5-15 Members | $1300+$ Students |
| Small Varsity Non Tumbling Division II | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female | 5-15 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Medium Varsity Non Tumbling Division I | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female | 16-19 Members | 1300+ Students |
| Medium Varsity Non Tumbling Division II | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female | 16-19 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Large Varsity Non Tumbling Division I | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female | 20-23 Members | $1300+$ Students |
| Large Varsity Non Tumbling Division II | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female | 20-23 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Super Varsity Non Tumbling Division I | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female | 24-30 Members | 1300+ Students |
| Super Varsity Non Tumbling Division II | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female | 24-30 Members | 1-1299 Students |
| Varsity Coed Non Tumbling Division I | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female/1-4 Males | 5-30 Members | $1300+$ Students |
| Varsity Coed Non Tumbling Division II | 8th grade - 12th grade | Female/1-4 Males | 5-30 Members | 1-1299 Students |

## TRADITIONAL RECREATIONAL AFFILIATED DIVISIONS

Traditional Recreational Affiliated Recreational Division Policies:

- The Affiliated Recreational Divisions exist for teams with the main purpose of cheering for and supporting a recreational team (i.e. youth football, pee wee sports, community sports teams, etc.)
- All Affiliated Recreational teams must be affiliated with, report to, and be governed by an organization such as; YMCA, Boys and Girls Club, County Parks and Recreation Program, American Youth Cheer, Pop Warner Association, or other community run program no associated with All Star. Each team must cheer for a sport during the 2023-2024 cheer season.
- All Affiliated Recreational programs will need to provide the Recreation Cheer Verification Form and Roster that proves legitimacy of the organization for each event competing.
- Teams with a school affiliation may compete in the recreational division, only if at least half of the participants are in 6th grade and below and meet the age requirements or younger.
- Affiliated Recreational divisions will follow same routine format and rules and regulations (including additional restrictions for Elementary teams, Middle and Junior High School teams) along with all other teams competing at any UCA event and the NHSCC.
- For information regarding additional Affiliated Recreational team competition opportunities go to https://www.varsity.com/youth-rec/

| Division | Birth Years | Female/Male | Team Members |
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| Traditional Rec Affiliated 10 \& Younger | 2012 and Later | Female/Male | $5-36$ Members |
| Traditional Rec Affiliated 12 \& Younger | 2010 and Later | Female/Male | $5-36$ Members |
| Traditional Rec Affiliated 14 \& Younger | 2008 and Later | Female/Male | $5-36$ Members |

TRADITIONAL RECREATIONAL NON AFFILIATED DIVISIONS
Traditional Recreational Non Affiliated Division Policies:

- Non Affiliated Divisions exist for teams who will follow the same 2 and $1 / 2$ minute routine format with cheer/ sideline and music and all other rules and regulations (including additional restrictions for Elementary teams, Middle and Junior High School teams) along with all other teams competing at any UCA event and the NHSCC.
- All Non Affiliated Recreational teams must be independent of town/city organization/clubs. Team does not necessarily cheer for a supported, sports program. Team is not affiliated with an All Star Program.
- All Non Affiliated Recreational programs will need to provide the Recreation Cheer Verification Form and Roster for each event competing.
- For information regarding additional Traditional Recreational Non Affiliated team competition opportunities go to https://www.varsity.com/youth-rec/

| Division | Birth Years | Female/Male | Team Members |
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| Traditional Rec Non Affiliated 10 \& Younger | 2012 and Later | Female/Male | $5-36$ Members |
| Traditional Rec Non Affiliated 12 \& Younger | 2010 and Later | Female/Male | $5-36$ Members |
| Traditional Rec Non Affiliated 14 \& Younger | 2008 and Later | Female/Male | $5-36$ Members |

## NHSCC QUALIFYING

1. $75 \%$ of the team must attend a Varsity Spirit camp and participate in the Squad Credentialing program in order to be eligible to compete and receive a bid at a 2023 Fall qualifying tournament for the 2024 NHSCC.
2. Teams competing at the NHSCC must compete in the same division as they qualified.

Universal Cheerleaders Association will combine divisions in the best interest of providing a competitive environment. When/If a division has less than 3 teams, they may be combined into the same age/size division. Division combinations will be finalized no later than 2 weeks prior to the NHSCC. Examples

- Super Varsity Division I Non Tumbling has 2 teams registered and Large Varsity Division I Non Tumbling has 2 teams registered, those may be combined to compete as Large Varsity Non Tumbling.
- Small Junior High has 14 teams registered. This division cannot be split since there is not an additional split offered.


## See full competition rules and scoring information at uca.varsity.com

