



Dear College Spirit Coordinators and Coaches,

At UCA and UDA, the health and safety of our athletes, coaches, employees, families and friends remains our top priority. We are diligently monitoring official information from health authorities and local governments as well as working with our contacts at the Walt Disney World Resort daily on what the championship experience will be like this year.

After recently polling our college customers nationwide, we learned that the *overwhelming* majority of you would prefer for us to move the 2021 UCA & UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship to the spring. It is because of your feedback that we are pleased to announce that we are moving the event dates to a **two-day format** on **April 27-28, 2021** (Tuesday-Wednesday) at the **Walt Disney World Resort**.

*Please note: This does **not** affect the dates of the UDA National Dance Team Championship (scheduled for January 29-31, 2021) and the UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship (scheduled for February 5-7, 2021).*

Bid Tiers & Crowd / Spirit Tapes

As a reminder, we have made several modifications to our policies and scoring for the 2021 Championship only. These changes will remain in place even though the event has been moved to April.

- For the 2021 Championship ONLY, we will not require teams to attend a 2020 UCA or UDA College Spirit Camp of any kind in order to validate their bid that they received from their 2020 placement. This applies to Tier 1, 2 and 3 bids.
- Crowd/Spirit Tapes will not be required for Cheer or Dance teams, everyone will be given the points for 2021 Championship ONLY.
 - Mascots will be asked to submit a modified entry tape because their videos determine who is invited to compete at the championship. More information coming soon.

Eligibility

A Team Eligibility Form will be sent to all Coaches participating in the UCA & UDA College Championship. One form must be filled out per team with each team member's name, age, student ID number, hours currently enrolled and years of completed eligibility. This form must be signed by the coach, the school's Registrar's Office and school's Administrative Supervisor. The form should be notarized and returned to the UCA & UDA Office between February 1, 2021 and April 2, 2021. Teams must meet the following eligibility requirements to participate in the UCA & UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship:

- All participants must be registered full-time students for the spring semester of the college or university they are representing and official members of the school's spirit team (no club or competition only teams).
- Each participating team member must be an official current member of the team they are representing. If you have graduating seniors in December, your school administrator must sign the form verifying that they are official members of the team for the April Championship.
- 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, valid, and meets all the school's eligibility requirements.

Virtual Divisions (2021 Only)

For those that are unable to travel because of your state / local guidelines or administration, we will be offering Virtual Divisions. More information coming soon. (Please note – teams that compete virtually will **not** be competing head-to-head against teams that are competing in-person. Depending on the size of the virtual competition,

some divisions may be combined.)

Although this year has been incredibly challenging for us all, we are optimistic for the future and hope you are able to join us this spring. If you have any questions, please email college@varsity.com . Please be on the lookout for more information include pricing, 2022 bids, and our travel package options very soon.

Thank you for being part of the UCA & UDA family.

