2020 Championships









2020 COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS GENERAL INFORMATION and FACT SHEET Rev. 2/1/20

Please share any pertinent information with all team members, guests and family that will attend the event.





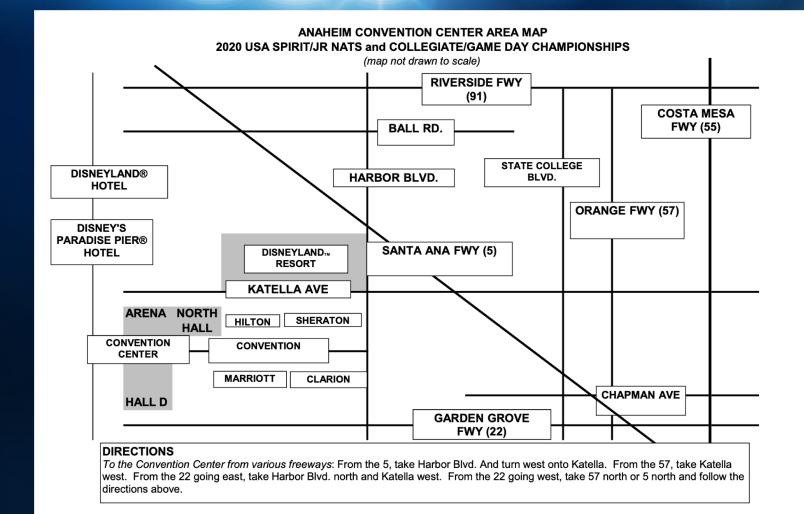
Directions
Anaheim Convention Center
Arena
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Team Registration

• All teams must <u>register</u> at the Anaheim Convention Center North Hall Level 200 (Upper Level) area at least <u>30</u> minutes prior to your scheduled practice time in North Hall Level 200 (Upper Level) at the Anaheim Convention Center. The registration table for Collegiate Championships will open at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoon and will close for registration at 9:30 p.m. At the registration table you will pick up an updated practice schedule, performance schedule and other competition information. Please note that although registration opens early, prelims competition for college teams begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Arena for all Saturday performances.

Also, "open warm-up" space will not be available until after 2:00 p.m. on Saturday and 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. All those entering the "open warm-up space" for any type of warm-up must have registered to receive their proper wristband/shoe tag.

- All performers will receive a shoe tag/wristband as admission to the competition. This should be worn on the shoe or wrist and the performer must be in uniform/sweats for admission. This shoe tag/wristband will be used for admission to the warm-up/practice area as well as to the main performance area.
- Music guidelines are being followed at all USA and Varsity Brands events. Competition music must be properly licensed and a team must provide proof of licensing at team registration. If a team cannot provide proof of licensing immediately upon request, the team may be disqualified from the event.
 For further details visitwww.varsity.com/music





Open and Assigned Warm-Up/Practice Times and Information

Open Practice Area

Cheer, Mascot and Dance Teams

Saturday — 2:00 p.m. — 10:00 p.m. — North Hall Level 200 (Upper Level)

Sunday — 10:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m. — North Hall Level 200 (Upper Level)





Scheduled Practice Mat/Floor Space Cont'd.

• There will be scheduled practice times for all competitors in the North Hall Level 200 (Upper Level) at the Anaheim Convention Center.

These will take place approximately 45 minutes prior to your scheduled performance time. Detailed times will be sent by Wednesday, February 12th.

A sound system will be provided only at each official practice mat and/or floor space. Strict adherence to timing will be maintained. Failure to show-up at your designated time will result in forfeiture of your mat/floor time. No swaps (even within the same team) will be permitted.

A Legality Official will be available at the scheduled warm-up/practice mats and/or floor to review routines of any safety violations. You are encouraged to perform all stunts and tumbling at that time. For dance teams, a Legality Official will be on call to review skills if requested. A review in the practice/warm-up area does not preclude a team from receiving a penalty during the team's actual performance. The ruling of the Legality Official is final. Remember that points will be deducted from the final team average of each occurrence of an illegal procedure performed during competition.





Scheduled Practice Mat/Floor Space Cont'd.

- All teams are required to report to the warm-up/practice area "Check-In" table according to your check-in time on the assigned warm-up/practice schedule (available "on-line" after 5:00 p.m. PST the Wednesday prior to competition). This check-in time is in addition to your checking-in at the main registration table to receive performer shoe tags/wristbands and updated competition information.
- Additional areas for practicing around the Anaheim Convention Center are extremely limited given other shows in house. The United Spirit Association will not make practice facilities available other than those listed above.
 There will be no access to the Anaheim Convention Center or its facilities at any time on Friday, February 14th or Saturday morning, February 15th.
 Use of the facilities is not permitted other than during scheduled competition/warm-up times. Please note that the USA Spirit Nationals takes place on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Warm-up space will be reserved for our high school spirit competitors only during the times of the Spirit Nationals event.
- For safety reasons, spectators will not be permitted in the warm-up/practice facility area at any time. Only team members/coaches/advisors with appropriately colored wristbands will be permitted in this area.
- We encourage teams to come ready to perform, as there is limited space available for changing.





<u>Performance Information — Prelims and Finals — Arena</u>

- All prelims and finals performances will take place in the Arena at the Anaheim Convention Center. The "getting ready" area will be upstage left for all teams. Teams will exit upstage right after their performance.
- The "on deck" area will be immediately prior to taking the stage.
- A 60' x 48' dance floor will be placed in the Arena. Dance teams will perform on a Marley floor, measuring 42' x 42' and placed on this surface. For cheer teams and mascots, mats (9 strips) measuring 54'(wide) x 42'(depth) will be in place over the dance floor. You are not limited to the mat, but all stunts and tumbling for cheerleaders must be completed on the mat. A penalty will be assessed for each infraction of this rule.





Music

- All teams must provide their own MP3 device or smart phone for use on the event provided sound system. Music must be recorded at the correct tempo.
 Although it is not recommended due to interference that may be caused during a routine, a smart phone may be used for playing music.
 No cover may be on any MP3 player or smart phone so that a patch cord may be easily inserted into the device. Please ensure that jacks are clean and free of any debris which may impact connectivity. You must ensure that your device has a jack into which a patch cord may be inserted.
 Note that you may need to acquire an adapter in advance if your player does not have a head phone jack. One or several selections of music may be used as long as they follow the music licensing rules. Ability to play routine from a CD will not be available.
- Please keep your routine music in your possession until you are called to enter the starting area. You will hand carry your music to the sound table.
- Advisors/Coaches/Directors are asked to remain at the sound station while their squad performs and to take their music with them at the conclusion
 of the performance. Representatives will be asked to press "play" and "stop" for their routines.





Music Cont'd.

- There will be no music checks permitted on the main sound system.
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 provide proof of licensing (upon request) at any event where the music is used. If a team cannot provide proof of licensing immediately upon request,
 the team may be disqualified from the event. For further details visit www.varsity.com/music
- All teams will advance from Saturday "prelims" to Sunday "finals." -- The order for "finals" performance will be the same as that of "prelims."
 The dance/mascot divisions will begin on Sunday afternoon and the cheer divisions will follow for finals.
- Following awards, scoresheets will be available approximately 15-20 minutes following the end of the announcements. These will be available at the USA Collegiate Championships registration table located in the North Hall Level 200 (Upper Level)





Admissions — CASH ONLY IS ACCEPTED

The box office at the Main Arena (for both days of competition) will open 6:45 a.m. (tickets for either day's competition may be purchased at this location).
 Admission cost is \$20.00 adults/\$8.00 children (5-11 years) per day or \$36.00 adult/\$13.00 children (5-11 years) wristband for both days of competition.
 Children younger than 5 will be admitted free. No spectator will be admitted without a ticket/wristband. Wristbands must be worn at all times and are non-transferable.

Please note that College one-day prelims or finals spectator tickets, as well as 2-day wristbands to the Collegiate Championships are valid only for that event in the Arena on Saturday or Sunday with doors opening approximately 1 hour prior to competition time.

College one-day spectator tickets or two-day wristbands will not permit a person into Spirit Prelims/Finals on Saturday prior to 5:30 p.m. in any venue.

Even though the box office opens at 6:45 a.m. on Saturday/Sunday (Arena), spectators purchasing tickets/wristbands for entrance to the Collegiate Championships only will not be permitted into the Arena until approximately 60 minutes (1 hour) prior to prelims competition on Saturday and finals on Sunday.

Should you purchase a one-day ticket to either day's competition and wish to leave and re-enter the venue, you must obtain a hand-stamp and show your dated ticket for re-entry.

All seating is general admission and first-come, first-served. Saving seats is not permitted.

The USA reserves the right to refuse admission to any spectator.





General Information

- Squads and spectators are encouraged to leave large bags, valuables, etc. in locked buses or vehicles. The United Spirit Association or the Anaheim Convention Center cannot and will not be held liable for lost or stolen items.
- Outside food will not be permitted inside the exhibit halls and/or Main Arena areas. There will be concessions available throughout the competition.

 Noise-makers (i.e. drums, air horns, or other amplified sound will not be permitted inside the exhibit hall or main arena areas).

SECURITY

Due to heightened security concerns, all bags are subject to search upon entry into any Anaheim Convention Center venue. <u>Bags must not be left unattended at any time</u>. Teams must be in possession of all personal items at all times during the competition (except while performing). The United Spirit Association will not be responsible for any items that are left unattended by a representative of your organization at any time (including during your performance). Unattended bags are subject to immediate removal by security.

Team signs may be brought to the competition, but may not be taped on any painted surfaces. Air horns and/or other excessive noisemakers are not permitted in the convention center.

Throwing of any type of item onto the performance floor and/or the use of laser-type devices in any venue is grounds for immediate removal from the competition and individuals will be subject to prosecution.





General Information Cont'd.

Throwing of any type of item onto the performance floor and/or the use of laser-type devices in any venue is grounds for immediate removal from the competition and individuals will be subject to prosecution.

Personal video cameras will be permitted, but we ask that you please film only your own team. Any individual who does not adhere to this request may be asked to leave the venue. Camera tripods will not be permitted at any time during the competition. Unauthorized videotaping of any team is subject to immediate removal from the competition venue.

The use of telephoto lenses on cameras and/or the use of tripods is prohibited.





PARKING

Please allow an additional 20 to 40 minutes for traffic and parking. Parking will be impacted over the weekend and cars may be directed to off-site lots.
 If you are directed to the Toy Story parking lot, please inform the cast member at the entrance to the lot that you are attending the competition at the Anaheim Convention Center.

Anaheim Convention Center

<u>CARS:</u> Enter the Convention Center parking area from Katella, or as directed by signage posted by the Convention Center.

The parking fee at the Convention Center is \$18.00 (subject to change) and is good for one entry ONLY. It is not valid for in/out parking. The parking receipt must be visible on the vehicle dashboard. The parking ticket is not transferable.

<u>BUSES:</u> Buses will enter from the back of the Convention Center, off of West Street. Parking personnel will direct you to the drop off area and appropriate exit or parking area. Parking fees for buses is \$30.00 and is good for one entry ONLY. Overnight parking of vehicles is prohibited.

Parking fees are subject to change.





MERCHANDISE

• Merchandise, including souvenir T-shirts and sweatshirts, will be available for purchase throughout the competition.

PHOTOGRAPHY

• Official team photos will be offered by Universal Event Photography <u>prior</u> to each team's "scheduled practice time." Please see your "Team Practice Schedule" for your photo time. Scheduled photos will not be taken for Mascot teams. These participants may request photo times if they wish.

FIRST AID

- There will be first aid staff available at the competition. Athletic taping will not be provided by the USA first aid staff for athletes. If an athlete must be taped prior to performance, (s)he must provide the personnel to do this. Should you need medical assistance, please contact a USA or Anaheim Convention Center staff member.
- Any concerns regarding your team's performance must be addressed to the competition director by <u>one</u> representative of your team, prior to or immediately following your team's performance.



