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Virtual ALL STAR CHAMPIONSHIPS

THE 2021 USA ALL STAR CHAMPIONSHIPS ARE GOING VIRTUAL!

Here are some things to know in advance. As details are finalized, information will continue to be added to this document (Version 2/24/21)

Event Date: March 14, 2021

Who can participate in the USA All Star Championships?

- Teams who are currently registered will be able to participate in the Virtual Championships.
- After currently registered teams, it will be open to all divisions with priority to western states programs (who have had limited event options this season) and then non-western states programs, until we hit our capacity.

Will divisions be split into DI & DII programs during the event?

- Yes, all divisions will be split in accordance with the recommended guidelines from the USASF.

Will Non-Building Division splits be offered?

- Non-building divisions will be offered as exhibition only. If two or more teams are registered in the same non-building division, the teams will be ranked and the division will be considered a competitive division – without bid eligibility to end-of-season events.

Where will I be able to keep up with all the details regarding this event?

- You will be invited via email to join the private, coaches-only event BAND group. The event BAND will be extremely helpful to registered coaches. It's a perfect place where answers can be quickly found, and questions can be quickly answered.

How will a Virtual Competition work?

- Teams will receive an email with a link to the applicable Varsity TV video uploader and keyword to use for filming routines. Once this information is sent, teams will have a window to record their video and submit it, following the uploader steps provided. At the close of submissions, routines will be available to watch for all subscribers on Varsity TV. Certified Judges will score routines in our Simple Score system and teams will receive standard scoresheets and feedback. Results and Bids will be announced for FREE the following week on Varsity TV.
- All routines will be judged with sound and available for Varsity TV subscriber viewing with sound for 48 hours once the event goes live. After 48 hours, the routines will be available without sound for Varsity TV subscribers. After 5 days, routines will be available free of charge without sound for the duration of the competition season.

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Event Timeline:

- 2/24/2021 - The Registration Contact will receive the KEYWORD to use in filming your video and may start the filming process in your facility.
  - Program contact will receive invite to the "Coaches Only" BAND group.
  - The Registration Contact will receive information about the Worlds eligible team Roster Verification process.
- 3/2/2021 – Registration Closes. This is a firm deadline and will not be extended.
- 3/8/2021 - The Registration Contact will receive a form to declare for End-of-Season Championship Bids.
- 3/10/2021 - The Registration Contact will receive a link & instructions to upload your video to Varsity TV and AccuSCORE information. Videos are due on 3/11/21 by 9:59pm PST.
- 3/14/2021 - Event will be visible on Varsity TV for on-demand viewing. Team Coach Contacts will receive an email the day of with any deductions and scoresheets.
- 3/16/2021 – Event results will be posted on Varsity TV and a special Bid Reveal show will be available to watch for FREE.

How much does it cost to participate in a Virtual Competition?

- All Star Elite: $99 Per Person ($0 Crossover Fee)
- Prep & Novice: $90 Per Person ($0 Second Performance)
- Dance: $99 Per Person ($45 Second Perf, $0 Third Perf, $45 Fourth Perf)
- Dance Novice: $80 ($45 Second Performance)
- DanceABILITIES / CheerABILITIES: $0 Per Person

What awards will be given?

- USASF Elite Divisions:
  - All athletes will receive a commemorative medallion
  - Team Placement banners and medals will be awarded as follows:
    - 1st Place: Team Banner, Blue Medallions & Championship Backpack per participant
    - 2nd Place: Team Banner & Red Medallions per participant
    - 3rd Place: Team Banner & White Medallions per participant
    - 4th Place & Lower: Team Banner
  - Grand Championship team by level will receive a banner (L1-7)
- USASF Cheer Prep & Novice
  - All athletes will receive a commemorative medallion
  - All athletes will receive a Gold, Silver or Bronze ribbon
  - Teams will receive a Gold, Silver or Bronze plaque

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How will bids to The World Championships be awarded?

The number of bids to the Cheerleading & Dance World Championships will be confirmed 3 weeks prior to the event with the bid distribution policy (ETA 2/19/21). The USA will use a sliding scale based on overall attendance to determine the number of bids to award at our 2021 event. Visit the USA All Star Championships homepage to view the bid distribution.

Bid Eligibility

- Event Producers have the right to investigate any and all teams receiving a bid to Varsity Spirit & Varsity All Star End-of-Season Events. Bid-eligible teams and divisions will be reviewed for accuracy and legitimacy to ensure each team has the same opportunity. Any bid-eligible team/athlete found in violation of a USASF or Varsity Spirit policy will be disqualified from their End-of-Season Championship for the remainder of the 2020 – 2021 season.

Registration Deadline

- Registration will close when we reach our capacity or on Tuesday, March 2, 2021.

Rosters

- Team rosters will be required for teams to participate in the USA All Star Championships. Teams will be able to upload their roster in their USASF portal under the United Spirit Association (USA).

Worlds Roster Verification

- Each Worlds Bid-eligible team is required to provide the following information to Matthew Goto (MGoto@varsity.com) via email by March 8, 2021.

This email must include TWO attachments:

1. A clear, team photo of all participants so that all faces may be identified.
   - One participant in the photo must hold up the Keyword Template. This must be completed in dark marker so that all information can be easily read. The Keyword for this event will be shared via email and in the BAND group - please follow all the directions provided when filling out the Keyword Template.
   - Participants should be wearing the same uniform or practice wear as in the performance video. Meta data of both the photo and video will be reviewed to make sure they were both taken on the same day.
2. The team's USASF Roster for this event.

Music Guidelines

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How do people watch the event?

- Varsity TV will host this event and one, one-month subscription will be given to each registered program. All Varsity TV subscribers will be able to watch all participating routines on-demand on Sunday, March 14, 2021. Routine videos will be FREE to all viewers 5 days after the event. The USA All Star Championships Bid Reveal show will be FREE to all viewers on Varsity TV on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 5:00pm PST / 7:00pm CST. The Bid Reveal show will announce all winners of Summit, D2 Summit, Dance Summit, USASF Cheerleading Worlds and USASF Dance Worlds Bids. All of this event's final results will be posted in the Varsity TV Results hub following the Bid Reveal Show on Tuesday.

How do I claim my Varsity TV account?

- As the host of this event, Varsity TV will give one FREE one-month subscription to each registered program. If you are claiming a brand new account, Varsity TV will send you an email with your login credentials by the uploader day. If you have created an account at some point with the provided email, your account will simply be reactivated by the uploader day.
- Having trouble remembering your login information? Use the help option to reset your password.

What kind of video do I need to submit?

- Teams must submit a video recording of their routine taken in their practice facility, using the keyword indicated during the filming period. The keyword will be shared in the coaches only event BAND group, so be sure to join when you receive the invite.
- Videos must be one take, with sound – edited footage will not be accepted. All 4 corners of the performance floor should be visible when possible and athletes must perform on a USASF approved surface. The program must own rights to this video and consent to it being posted on Varsity TV for use in the Virtual Competition.
- Once routine videos are filmed, they will be uploaded to Varsity TV. There is no need to purchase additional equipment or internet services for your program – simply film on your phone or available camera!

What should my team wear?

- Teams may submit videos in their practice wear or uniforms. Please keep in mind that all USASF Athletic Performance Standards must be maintained.

How will teams be scored?

- Once routine videos are filmed and uploaded to Varsity TV, a certified judging panel will score the routines in our Simple Score system. Score sheets and division breakdowns will be emailed to coaches, just like at an in-person event.
- Cheer teams will receive a link to our AccuScore review process prior to the start of the event and will be able to follow the steps similar to a live event for challenges. Our cheer AccuScore experts will review your sheets and follow up with your program on any changes or clarifications prior to the awards announcements.

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Can I compete at a live event and record that same routine for a virtual event the following weekend?

- No, routines must be filmed in your practice facility and may not be used for multiple events, live or virtual.

Can I compete in more than one virtual event in a weekend and use the same routine & keyword template for both?

- While you may compete at more than one virtual event in a weekend, you will need to film separate routines with separate keywords & templates.

Where can we watch the awards?

- The USA All Star Championships Bid Reveal show will be FREE to all viewers on Varsity TV on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 5:00pm PST / 7:00pm CST. The Bid Reveal show will announce all winners of Summit, D2 Summit, Dance Summit, USASF Cheerleading Worlds and USASF Dance Worlds Bids. All of this event's final results will be posted in the Varsity TV Results hub following the Bid Reveal Show on Tuesday.

As a Gym Owner or Coach ONLY, who do I contact if I have further questions?

- For questions, please reach out to Matthew Goto (MGoto@varsity.com)

Logo Usage

- Programs, Teams, Athletes & Spectators will not be allowed to use the Varsity Spirit, Varsity All Star, United Spirit Association or End-of-Season Event logo(s) including; banners, rings, bows, t-shirts etc.

Disqualification

- Any team that does not adhere to the terms and procedures of these "Rules and Regulations" will be subject to disqualification from the competition, will automatically forfeit any right to any prizes or awards presented by the competition, and may also forfeit the opportunity to participate in a competition the following season.

Due to uncertainties associated with the COVID-19 virus that could potentially lie ahead, Varsity All Star reserves the right to amend this document, bid event listings and bid distributions at any time.



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