



Dear All Star Cheerleaders & Dancers, Gym Owners, Coaches, Parents and Friends,

Welcome to The D2 Summit, Varsity All Star's Cheer and Dance Championship at the *Walt Disney World*® Resort. We would like to congratulate you and your team for taking the climb and qualifying for this prestigious event. With the overwhelming response to this event, we anticipate over 1200 teams will travel to Orlando to compete.

Enclosed in this letter is some very important information for you to go over with your coaches, team members and families traveling to Orlando with you. PLEASE READ THIS VERY CAREFULLY! We suggest you make a copy of this letter and give it to every team member to take home to their family.

1. Registration – You will register with the Varsity Staff at Disney Springs. Please bring your email confirmation and registration number for a smoother check-in. You will receive all tickets, schedules and lanyards as well as other pertinent information concerning the event. The Varsity Registration Tent is located in the Strawberry Parking Lot at Disney Springs. [Here is a map of Disney Springs](#) for better understanding.

Registration hours at Disney Springs:

Wednesday, May 8, 2019	8:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Thursday, May 9, 2019	8:00 AM – 10:00 PM
Friday, May 10, 2019	8:00 AM – 10:00 PM

If you arrive to Disney Springs prior to 8:00AM on any of the registration days, you must park in either the Strawberry or Watermelon parking lots (surface parking). If you have been shopping or dining at Disney Springs prior to picking up your packet, you can also easily access the Varsity All Star Registration Tent by walking.

Please read these important tips for a smoother check in. You MUST have the following items ready when you enter the Check-In Tent.

- You must bring your email confirmation and registration number with you to Disney Springs. These items need to be printed and in-hand. We will not accept screenshots, emails, or any other form of digital communication.
- If you are picking up packets for more than one party – you are limited to 5 registrations. You must have each registration printed and in-hand along with a printed copy of each registration's valid I.D. If these items are not in your possession, you be asked to step aside until you are ready to enter.
- Only the person listed on the registration needs to pick up your packet. If you have others in your group, we suggest the rest of your party enjoys the shopping and dining at Disney Springs with [these special discount offers](#). *Bringing your entire family to stand in line will make it more stressful for you & cause the line to appear longer.
- Remember, Disney Springs does not open until 8:00AM. If you arrive to Disney Springs prior to 8:00AM on any of the registration days, you must park in either the Strawberry or Watermelon parking lots (surface parking).



If you choose to wait until Saturday morning to register, then you will need to do so at the Championship Office at Celebrity Hall at Disney's All Star Resort. Office hours are 7:00AM-11:00PM.

2. Event Schedule and Order of Competition – The event schedule and order of competition are available on varsity.com. This schedule is still tentative and is subject to change. You will receive a final and detailed schedule once you arrive in Florida.

3. Cheer Competition Outline – The following are the rounds that will take place each day of the event. Please review the [Block Schedule](#) and [Order of Competition](#) on varsity.com for more details.

- Friday – Wild Card teams, with final performances on Sunday
- Saturday – At Large & Paid teams, with final performances on Sunday
- Sunday – All final performances

4. The Summit Reveal – We are excited to provide multiple options for your team to experience the D2 Summit Reveals. Whether your team chooses to stay at the Sports Complex, Watch from your hotel, or a park, here's how you'll be able to experience The D2 Summit Reveals:

- The majority of Reveals will be taking place at Champions Stadium (Baseball Stadium). Reveals taking place at Champions Stadium will be streamed for FREE on Varsity TV.
- All outdoor screens on the property of the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex will broadcast the live feed of The D2 Summit Reveals from Champions Stadium. Two screens on the Varsity Fan Zone Field, one screen beside The Arena and the video screen above the Joffrey's Coffee Shop.
- Channel 79 in your Disney hotel room will show a live feed of the Reveals in Champions Stadium.
- Teams will receive their medals and banners right after they compete, so you'll be able to watch the Reveals from wherever you choose.
- Divisions that are closing out their venue will still have their Reveals in venue but they will also be live streamed for free on Varsity TV.

5. Live Streaming on Varsity TV on Varsity.com – Watch the D2 Summit Championship LIVE, routine videos, future events, documentaries and more on Varsity TV on Varsity.com with an annual or monthly membership!

• **The D2 Summit** –

- **Friday, May 10th** - Live stream begins at 8:30 am EST from the Visa Athletic Center & Arena West, 9:30 am from Arena North, & 10:00 am EST from the HP Field House. Free live stream for D2 Summit Reveals begins at 11:00 am EST from Champions Stadium.
- **Saturday May 11th** - Live stream begins at 8:00 am EST from the HP Field House, 8:30 am EST from the Visa Athletic Center & Arena North, 9:00 am EST from Arena West & 9:30 am EST from Arena South. Free live stream for D2 Summit Reveals begins at 10:30 am EST from Champions Stadium.
- **Sunday May 12th** - Live stream begins at 8:00 am EST from Arena North, 8:30 am EST from the HP Field House, 9:00 am EST from Arena West, 10:00 am from the Visa Athletic Center, 10:15 am EST from Arena East & 11:00 am EST from Arena South.



Competition routine videos will be available to Varsity TV members during the championship weekend and for the duration of their membership. For all other viewers, competition routine videos will be available free of charge beginning seven days after the event has concluded. After July 1st, these videos will only be available to Varsity TV members.

6. How many teams advance from the Wild Card round?

The Wild Card round of The D2 Summit will take place Friday, May 10th at the Walt Disney World Resort® in Orlando, FL.

- In **WILD CARD** divisions with **30 teams** or less, 1st-5th place **WILD CARD** Teams will advance straight to **FINALS** on Sunday
- In **WILD CARD** divisions with **31 – 49 teams**, 1st – 7th place **WILD CARD** Teams will advance straight to **FINALS** on Sunday
- In **WILD CARD** divisions with **50+ teams** will be split into 2 random groups (A and B) 1st- 5th place **WILD CARD** Teams will advance straight to **FINALS** on Sunday

7. How many teams advance to Finals on Sunday from Semi-Finals?

- All divisions with **10 or less teams** will have 5 teams advance to finals.
- All divisions with **11 - 19 teams** will have 50% of the division advance to finals.
- All divisions with **20 - 30 teams** will have 10 teams in the division advance to finals.
- All divisions with **31 – 49 teams** will have a MAX of 12 teams in the division advance to finals.
- All Divisions with **50+ teams** will be split into 2 random groups (A and B) and will have a MAX of 10 teams from each grouping advance to finals, regardless of how many teams are in the A or B groups.
* For Example: If 37 teams are in group A, ONLY 10 teams will advance to Finals from the A group.

8. The D2 Summit Competition Venues – This year we will be utilizing SIX cheer venues, all at the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex: The Arena at ESPN Wide World of Sports® (four venues), the Visa Athletic Center (formally known as the J Center) and the HP Field House. The *Walt Disney World*® Park Hopper that you receive with your travel package includes 5 days admission into the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex along with your theme park admissions.

Admission into the competition venues is included only for those on The D2 Summit Travel Package and anyone purchasing Disney tickets from The D2 Summit Championship. Only those NOT purchasing tickets from the D2 Summit will be charged an admission of \$35.00 per day into the venues. For **general admission** – you can only purchase tickets at the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex ticket booths and they will only be on sale the day of our events.



9. Registration & Ticket Pick-Up Information –

If You Need To:	Please Visit:
Purchase ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex General Admission Tickets Only	ESPN Wide World of Sports®: Ticket Booth beginning Wednesday, May 8 th
Purchase Discounted <i>Walt Disney World</i> ® Park Hopper Tickets – Includes admission into the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex	Disney Springs: Varsity All Star Registration Tent located in the Strawberry Parking Lot behind Disney Springs. View map for details.
Pick Up Pre-Ordered Discounted <i>Walt Disney World</i> ® Park Hopper Tickets- Includes admission into the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex	Disney Springs: Varsity All Star Registration Tent located in the Strawberry Parking Lot behind Disney Springs. View map for details.
Commuter Individual Registration	Disney Springs: Varsity All Star Registration Tent located in the Strawberry Parking Lot behind Disney Springs. View map for details.
Travel Package Squads, Individuals and Family Registrations staying at Disney’s All Star Resorts	Disney’s All Star Resorts: Celebrity Hall
Travel Package Squads, Individual registration, Family Registrations staying at Disney’s Coronado Springs Resort	Disney’s Coronado Springs Resort: North Registration Desk
Travel Package Squads, Individuals and Family Registrations staying at Disney’s Caribbean Beach Resort	Disney’s Caribbean Beach Resort: Group Registration Tent - Aruba
Travel Package Squads, Individual registration, Family Registrations staying at Disney’s Pop Century Resort	Disney’s Pop Century Resort Front Desk

*Parking garages do not open until 8:00 am at Disney Springs. If you arrive before 8:00 am, you **must** park in the Strawberry lot.

10. **Celebration Party at Disney’s Magic Kingdom® Park:**

Sunday evening we have planned an incredible Celebration Party at the **Magic Kingdom® Park**. The park will be closed to the public. The following attractions will be open 10:00 pm – 1:30 am. (Subject to Change)

- **Frontierland®** • *Big Thunder Mountain Railroad®* • *Splash Mountain®*
- **Liberty Square** • *Haunted Mansion®*



- **Fantasyland**® • *Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh* • Mad Tea Party • *Peter Pan's Flight*® • Prince Charming Regal Carrousel • Seven Dwarfs Mine Train
- **Tomorrowland**® • Astro Orbiter • *Buzz Lightyear's Space Ranger Spin*® • *Space Mountain*® • Tomorrowland Transit Authority PeopleMover

Dance the night away with one of our two DJ Dance Parties!

- In front of Cinderella's Castle
- **Frontierland**® near Country Bear Jamboree

- 11. Photography and Video Policy** - Because we take the safety and security of our participants seriously, our policy is to protect your privacy and that of all participants. Audience use of telephoto lenses will not be allowed. Unauthorized users of such equipment will be escorted from our event. Only official press from newspapers, magazines, etc. will be allowed to shoot pictures during our event with professional equipment. All press requests will be taken seriously and a contract must be signed prior to clearance being given. We hope that you understand the seriousness of this issue and give us your full support. For press clearance, please email Sheila Noone at snoone@varsity.com.
- 12. Universal Event Photography** - Each team will have the opportunity to have their picture taken prior to their first rehearsal of their first performance only. Order forms are available on varsity.com if you would like to purchase them. You may make as many copies as needed. Please have the completed order forms with you when you have your picture taken. Click here for [The D2 Summit UEP Order Form](#).
- 13. Varsity TV on Varsity.com** - You can also stay up-to-date through Varsity.com's coverage of The D2 Summit. Results from all divisions will be posted as soon as they are announced on Varsity TV on Varsity.com
- 14. Connect and share your competition experience with Varsity All Star** - Follow Varsity All Star on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram today for a chance to see your team showcased. Make sure to use the hashtag #TheD2Summit19!

Thanks for being a part of The D2 Summit and enjoy your time at the Walt Disney World® Resort!

Sincerely,

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