



The Dance Summit is the definitive dance national championship. Seven years ago, Varsity All Star was inspired by the talent within the all-star industry and listened to its customers when they asked for a high caliber dance event that recognized teams in non-world divisions.

We understand the challenges that programs across the country have faced preparing for and competing at bid events this season. We are committed to offering as many opportunities as possible for athletes to reach our End-of-Season Championships while also maintaining the integrity of the event.

The Dance Summit Championship will now take place May 2nd – 3rd, 2021 at Walt Disney World Resort's ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex.

Please know that together, with the Walt Disney World Resort, we've made many updates to the championship experience based on the guidance from health authorities, such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and appropriate government agencies. Before you register, it is imperative that you read everything carefully and make sure you share this information with your athletes and parents. Please know that this is a fluid situation and subject to change. [Click here to read the Championship Experience Updates.](#)

For your convenience, major updates to this document have been underlined.

Where will The Dance Summit be taking place?

This season, The Dance Summit will take place at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at the Walt Disney World Resort.

Who is eligible to attend The Dance Summit?

Any team that competes AND receives a bid in one of the above divisions to The Dance Summit at a qualifying event in the 2020-2021 season. Teams must be in good standing with the USASF & Varsity Spirit. Due to COVID, teams must compete in the same parent division in which they qualified for, but we will allow flexibility in team sizes. For example, a Senior Jazz team must still compete in Senior Jazz, but may enter the small or large division.

How do I receive a bid to The Dance Summit?

Teams can qualify for The Dance Summit at many Varsity All Star events across the country. Please visit your specific Event Producer's website for more information about which events will be awarding bids. All Dance Summit Bids will be revealed Monday evenings at 7:30pm CST on Varsity TV on Varsity.com.



Will international teams be able to compete at The Dance Summit?

Canadian teams are the only teams allowed to receive bids at Varsity All Star events in the United States. U.S. Protectorate Countries such as Puerto Rico, Guam & the Virgin Islands do not qualify as U.S. teams based on their own independent national sport authority infrastructures. International teams will be eligible to receive bids from our designated Varsity All Star International events.

What types of bids are given to The Dance Summit?

At-Large Bids:

At-Large Bids allow teams to enter the Semi-Final Round where they will compete for their chance to advance to the Final Round. At-Large Bid winners must pay the full balance to compete.

PAID Bids:

PAID Bids allow teams to enter the Semi-Finals Round where teams will compete for their chance to advance to the Final Round.

Each athlete earning a PAID Bid to The Dance Summit Championship will receive a 4 Night Quad Package price as a credit. No credits may be used for family members or for additional tickets. If a team chooses the Quad 3 Night Package, the athlete will receive a 3 Night Quad Package Credit. If a Paid Bid team chooses not to stay on property, they will receive the Commuter Package for free. *If additional athletes are added to the roster after the PAID bid was earned, the gym is responsible for the full cost of the additional athletes.

If a dancer from our bid winning team can't make it to The Dance Summit, are we allowed to replace them with another athlete from our program?

Yes, but please make sure to review the crossover policies.

Crossover Policy:

An All Star Dancer is limited to performing in up to five (5) performances at The Dance Summit. Athletes may only represent one program.

Are crossovers allowed between The Summit & The Dance Summit?

Athletes may not crossover from the USASF divisions of The Summit to The Dance Summit.



Athletes competing in the International divisions at The Summit may compete at The Dance Summit. Athletes competing at The D2 Summit may also compete at The Dance Summit.

Can Bids be deferred?

No, Bids earned during the 2020 – 2021 season must be used for the 2021 Dance Summit Championship.

Will Bids be passed down for The Dance Summit?

No, Bids will not be passed down. For example, if a team receives an At-Large Bid at an event early in the season and upgrades to a PAID Bid later in the season, the original At-Large Bid will not be given to another team. This bid will be eliminated.

Upgrading Bids

Once your team accepts a bid for The Dance Summit, you **MUST** stay with that specific track to earn a higher bid for the remainder of the season.

- At-Large Bids will only be upgraded to a PAID Bid.
- PAID bids must be used and cannot be upgraded.

Bid Eligibility

Event Producers have the right to investigate any and all teams receiving a bid to The Dance Summit. 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 The Summit for the remainder of the 2020 – 2021 season.

Rounds at The Dance Summit

The Semi-Final Round:

The Semi-Final Round of The Dance Summit will take at the *Walt Disney World®* Resort, FL. Teams advancing from the Semi-Final round will compete in the Final Round against the other teams. Below is the number of teams that will advance from Semi-Finals to Finals based on division size:

- All divisions with 10 or less teams in Semi-Finals will have 5 teams advance to Finals.



- All divisions with 11-19 teams in Semi-Finals will have 50% of the divisions advance to Finals.
- All divisions with 20 or more teams in Semi-Finals will have 10 teams in the division advance to Finals.
- All divisions with 25 or more teams in Semi-Finals will have 50% of the division advance to Finals.

*Advancement rules for The Dance Summit are subject to change and will be evaluated as we get closer to the Championship.

The Final Round:

The Final Round of The Dance Summit will take place at the *Walt Disney World®* Resort, FL. Teams Semi-Final round will face off to determine who will be named The Dance Summit Champion. Ties will not be broken at The Dance Summit – in the event that there is a tie for first place, The Dance Summit will name Co-Champions.

Days of Competition:

- **Sunday, May 2, 2021:** Preliminary round of competition
- **Monday, May 3, 2021:** Final round of competition

How will reveals & awards be announced?

At Varsity Spirit, the health and safety of our athletes, coaches, employees, families and friends is our top priority. We are diligently monitoring the Coronavirus/COVID-19 and closely watching official information from health authorities, such as the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), as it relates to our larger community and our events, camps and competitions.

In order to maintain venue capacity standards, all reveals and awards will be held virtually. More information about awards ceremonies, ring sizing, etc.. will be released closer to the event.

What do individuals & teams receive for competing at The Dance Summit?

All participants will receive a commemorative medallion for competing at The Dance Summit. Teams who qualify for Finals on Sunday in each division will be awarded a team banner with division and placement. Teams that place 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in their respective division will also receive a team banner and each participant will receive individual mini banners recognizing their accomplishment. All divisional champions will receive exclusive Dance Summit Championship Rings! Only participants & 2 coaches listed on the official USASF Summit Roster



will be included in ring sizing. Crossover athletes will only be awarded one ring. Additional rings may be ordered on-site & must be paid for by the team or individual before delivery.

Tournament Facility

The competition is scheduled to be held at Disney's *Wide World of Sports*® Complex. The tournament officials shall have the right to alter the time and location of the competition in the event changes become necessary due to inclement weather, facility problems, television production requirements, or any other situation deemed by the tournament officials to be essential to the successful execution of the championship.

Logo Usage

Programs, Teams, Athletes & Spectators will not be allowed to use The Summit logo(s) or the Varsity All Star logo 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 or the Championship the following year.

**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.*