

## Who is eligible to compete at The Quest?

Recreational Cheer or Youth Organization teams are eligible to compete at The Quest. Teams must be affiliated with an organization such as YMCA, Boys & Girls Club, City/Community Youth Organization, Pop Warner Association or other community run program. Teams that are not affiliated with an organization will go through a verification process. Teams cannot be affiliated with an All Star program. Teams must compete and receive a bid in the qualified Rec divisions at qualifying events.

<u>Click here</u> to see a full list of divisions offered. <u>Click here</u> for pricing for The Quest.

## Where can teams qualify for a bid to The Quest?

View The Quest Bid Event Listing HERE!

## When will Travel Packages be available?

<u>Click here</u> for pricing for The Quest.

## What types of bids will be offered for The Quest Bids?

Teams will have the opportunity to earn PAID, PARTIAL PAID and AT-LARGE Bids to The Quest Recreational Championship.

#### What is an AT-LARGE Bid?

An AT-LARGE bid is an invitation to compete at this prestigious event. The costs associated with the event will be the responsibility of the team to pay.

#### What is a PARTIAL PAID Bid?

A PARTIAL PAID bid is an invitation to compete at this prestigious event. Each team will be given a credit based off of how many athletes were on the floor when the bid was received. Each athlete along with two coaches earning a PARTIAL PAID Bid to The Quest will receive a credit to use towards the hotel package. The credit being awarded to each team will be \$225 per athlete plus two coaches. Any additional costs associated with the event will be the responsibility of the team to pay.

#### What is a PAID BID?

A PAID Bid is an invitation to compete at this prestigious event with the registration costs & accommodations covered by Varsity Spirit. Each athlete along with two coaches earning a PAID Bid to The Quest 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 3 Night Quad 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.



# Are you allowed to add or replace athletes on the Bid winning team?

You can replace athletes on your roster and add additional athletes, as long as it does not change the division you qualified with. If you receive a PAID Bid or PARTIAL PAID Bid, you will only receive the credit of a PAID Bid or PARTIAL PAID Bid for the number of athletes that competed on the floor at the qualifying event. The cost associated with the Quest will be the responsibility of the team to pay for any athletes who are added to the PAID or PARTIAL PAID Bid roster.

# Can Bids be deferred?

No, Bids earned during the 2020 – 2021 season must be used for the 2021 Quest.

# Rounds at the Quest:

# The Semi-Final Round:

The Semi-Final Round of The Quest will take place on Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at the *Walt Disney World*<sup>®</sup> Resort, FL. Teams advancing from the Semi-Final round will compete in the Final Round on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. The Quest reserves the right to split divisions based on size. All split divisions will be recombined in the Final Round. 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 no more than 5 teams advance to finals. \*In the event of a tie for the 5<sup>th</sup> spot, both teams will advance to Finals.
- All divisions with 11 19 teams in Semi-Finals will have no more than 50% of the division advance to finals.
- All divisions with 20 30 teams in Semi-Finals will have no more than 10 teams advance to finals. \*In the event of a tie for the 10<sup>th</sup> spot, both teams will advance to Finals.
- Once registration is FINAL, division with 31 or more teams in Semi-Finals will be evaluated to consider advancing additional teams.

# The Final Round:

The Final Round of The Quest will take place on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at the *Walt Disney World*<sup>®</sup> Resort, FL. Teams advancing from the Semi-Final rounds will face off to determine who will be named The Quest Recreational Champion. Ties will not be broken at The Quest— in the event that there is a tie for first place, The Quest will name Co-Champions.

# Are Crossovers allowed at The Quest?

Athletes will not be allowed to compete on more than 2 cheer teams at The Quest Recreational Championship. Athletes competing at The Quest are not eligible to compete at The Summit



Championships. Participants may only represent one organization. Participants must pay an additional registration fee for each additional team performance.

## **Crossover Fee:**

Participants must pay an additional \$100 registration fee for each additional team performance. Participants that receive a PAID Bid or PARTIAL PAID BID and crossover to another team with a PAID or PARTIAL PAID Bid will receive the value of the initial bid and there will be no crossover fee applied. Participants with a PAID or PARTIAL PAID Bid and crossover to another team with an AT LARGE Bid will receive the value of the initial bid but will still be responsible for the crossover fee.

## **Upgrading Bids:**

Once your team accepts an AT-LARGE Bid for The Quest, that AT-LARGE Bid can be upgraded to a PAID Bid or PARTIAL Paid Bid. Once your team accepts a PARTIAL PAID bid for The Quest, that PARTIAL PAID bid can be upgraded to a PAID Bid.

## **Bid Eligibility:**

Event Producers have the right to investigate all teams receiving a bid to The Quest. Bid eligible teams and divisions will be reviewed for accuracy and legitimacy to ensure each team has the same opportunity.

## What are the athlete and team awards at The Quest?

- All athletes: Commemorative Quest medallions
- All teams: Quest Qualifier banners
- Teams in finals: Full sized team banner
- 1st-3rd place teams: Individual sized placement banners
- 1st place teams: Full sized championship banner and Quest Championship rings

#### As a Program Director or Coach ONLY, who do I contact if I have further questions?

For questions, please reach out to <u>Quest@varsity.com</u>.

#### **Tournament Facility**

The competition is scheduled to be held at Disney's *Wide World of Sports*<sup>®</sup> 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 Quest logo(s) or the Varsity Spirit logo including; banners, rings, bows, t-shirts etc.

# Disqualification

Any team that does not adhere to the terms and procedures of the "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.

# **CHAMPIONSHIP EXPERIENCE**

# If customers have paid in full, when should they expect to get their ticket reservation number?

As of March 19, 2021, all Quest ticket orders have been processed. Any ticket orders after this date will be processed 7-10 business days after you are paid in full.

# When will practice times be released?

The order of competition will indicate a dedicated practice time for each team based on the team's performance time. There will be an outdoor space dedicated to these warmups at ESPN Wide World of Sports. Teams will go directly from this practice time to check in at their venue for competition. Once teams check in at their competition venue, they will have an additional warm up time on a practice floor prior to competition.

Information on resort practice space will be coming soon.

Due to COVID safety protocols, there cannot be any organized practices or warmups outside of designated areas at the resort or at ESPN Wide World of Sports.

## When will block schedule be released?

The Block Schedule was released Wednesday, March 17th.

## What is the official hotel for The Quest?

Disney's All- Star Movies Resort



# Where can we purchase spectator tickets to the event?

Single day ESPN Wide World of Sports tickets will be on sale April 8th. We will communicate detailed information on how to purchase these tickets prior to going on sale. Each ticket is \$25 a day.

All tickets must be purchased prior to arriving in Orlando. We will not be selling tickets on site.

## Where should I send athlete waivers?

Waivers should be sent to The Quest Customer Service Representative (Erika Severs esevers@varsity.com) no later than March 23 (all team forms and athlete/coach release waivers) can be emailed/scanned in.

# Is there a spectator waiver and if so where do we turn those in?

Yes. Spectator Waivers must be turned in at registration in Orlando.

# When is the last day to register?

Balance of payment was due on March 17, 2021. Any bids received after March 17, 2021 must be registered and paid in full before April 6, 2021. Registration will close on April 6, 2021 in order to prepare for your arrival in Orlando. Athletes not registered by this date will not be allowed to compete with their team.

## How will scoring be between the two days?

There is no carryover of scores from Day 1 to Day 2.