

Dear Team Members and Family:

It's almost time for the 2021 Summit & Dance Summit Championship. We're excited to bring this championship experience to you and your team as safely as possible, while still capturing the Disney magic you've come to know and expect from Varsity All Star.

This email contains VERY IMPORTANT information for you to go over with your team members and family traveling to Orlando with you. We suggest giving a copy of this letter to every participant to share with their parents even if they have been to our Championship in the past.

Varsity Registration - IMPORTANT:

Once you arrive in Orlando, your next stop is registration with the Varsity Spirit Staff at the Commuter pickup area—located at Disney's Port Orleans — Riverside at your **confirmed reservation time.** NEW this year, we will be doing a "drive thru" pick up for all Commuter Athletes and extra Disney ticket pickup. You won't even have to get out of your car! We recommend arranging transportation for this, as walk-up appointments will not be serviced. You should have already received an email notification with information on what you need to bring and how to reserve your check-in appointment time.

Here is the address:

Disney's Port Orleans-Riverside

1251 Riverside Dr. Orlando, FL 32830

Here you will receive all ticket cards as well as other pertinent information concerning the championship. Registration times are listed below, again you MUST have an appointment to enter the Varsity Registration area.

•	Tuesday, April 27 th	12:00pm – 7:00pm
•	Wednesday, April 28th	7:30am – 9:00pm
•	Thursday, April 29 th	7:30am – 9:00pm
•	Friday, April 30 th	7:30am – 9:00pm
•	Saturday, May 1 st	7:30am - 7:30pm

^{**} If you are delayed in your arrival and cannot make your check-in appointment time at registration, please contact the Championship Office. (See information below).

Release Forms:

All release waivers for athletes should be turned in by their coach. Anyone picking up Disney ticket orders will need to turn in a signed and completed <u>Spectator Waiver</u> at your ticket pickup in Orlando. We cannot give you your ticket card until we have the waiver. Please have this printed off and ready to turn in when you arrive at Port Orleans.

Championship Office:

The Championship Office is located at Disney's All-Star Movies Resort, Room #3754 – Mighty Ducks Building #3 located directly behind the Varsity Registration Tent. Please see the hours below.



Wednesday, April 28th 9:00am – 9:00pm
 Thursday, April 29th 9:00am – 9:00pm
 Friday, April 30th 8:00am – 10:00pm
 Saturday, May 1st 8:00am – 10:00pm
 Sunday, May 2nd 8:00am – 10:00pm
 Monday, May 3rd 8:00am – 10:00pm

Order of Competition and Schedule of Events:

You may view the most up to date event schedule and order on <u>varsity.com/thesummit</u> & <u>varsity.com/thedancesummit</u>.

Competition Venues & Tickets:

This year we will be utilizing venues at the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex: The Arena at ESPN Wide World of Sports, the Field House, and the Visa Athletic Center. Admission into ESPN Wide World of Sports is included only for those on the Varsity Spirit hotel travel package, anyone who pre-purchased Disney tickets for The Summit or Dance Summit through Varsity Spirit, or anyone who pre-ordered a single day ESPN-only ticket. Remember, NO tickets will be sold on-site.

Reveals & Awards:

Reveals & Awards will be virtual and FREE on Varsity TV and in the BAND app unless otherwise indicated on the order of competition. Awards and Ring Sizing Kits can be picked up at the Ticket Box Office at the Arena, lower level. You will submit your ring sizes via a digital form after the championship. Only 2 people can come and pick up the awards. Award can be picked up on Sunday, May 2nd from noon until 11:00 pm and Monday, May 3rd from noon until 11:00 pm.

- View The Summit Championship Reveals & Awards
- View The Dance Summit Championship Reveals & Awards

Private Buses:

If your team is bringing a chartered bus or renting a bus during your trip, please have them pick your team up in the parking lot closest to your hotel rooms. Disney will not allow buses to pull into the front lobby areas and hold for any amount of time. At the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex, private chartered buses will be directed to load and unload in the private bus parking lot.

Music:

Music may be played on a CD, MP3 device, or an iPhone on Airplane Mode. If bringing a CD, we recommend you bring several copies in case the WDW sound systems have trouble reading your CD. If you are using an iPhone that does not plug into a traditional auxiliary cord you must provide your own adapter / dongle. Coaches will be escorted from the staging area to the music play area. We highly suggest that a coach plays the music and not a participant.

Photography and Video Policy:

The safety and security of our participants is very important to us. If you or any members of your team suspect that anyone is taking inappropriate photos or videos of our participants, please contact one of our Event Staff immediately. All press requests will be taken seriously, and a contract must be signed



prior to clearance being given. For 2021 only, due to venue capacity restrictions, full press clearance will not be granted for any outside media groups. We hope that you understand the seriousness of this issue and give us your full support. For questions, please email Emily Zemlachenko, ezemlachenko@varsity.com.

UEP Photography

Due to health and safety protocols, there will not be team photos or any on-site photo booths at this event. Have no fear - Universal Event Photography still has your team covered! UEP is offering contactless pre-orders for their very popular action photo digital files package. Get all of the action photos from your routine for one price and share them with your team! Your order will be delivered via email link after the event. Bring home the best action photos of your team's performance with the quality you can trust, only with UEP!

The Varsity Shop

For the Summit Championships, Pre-Order Purchases may be picked up at the merchandise tent located in front of The Arena at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. The shop will open for pick-up starting on April 29th from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm as well as throughout the competition. If you choose to pick up at the event, you must present your photo ID and the order number that will be emailed to you after purchase.

This year, we will not have Varsity Shop locations at the Disney resort hotels. There will be two options for shopping at the ESPN Wide World Of Sports Complex. One merchandise tent will be located in front of the Arena and the other will be in the ESPN Wide World of Sports Grill and will be open during competition hours.

Reminders:

- Your health and safety is always our #1 priority. Before arriving to the championship, take a
 moment to review our <u>Championship Experience Updates</u> and be sure to talk to your team's
 Safety Champion if you have any questions.
- Each team must have a Safety Champion who is 18 years or older and who is not the coach. Each Safety Champion must complete the Safety Champion training that includes a video, live Q&A, quiz and signing an attestation form. If you have multiple teams, you must have a different Safety Champion for each team. If you have any questions or need to complete that training, please email safetychampion@varsity.com asap.
- Stay up to date with full coverage of the championship including routine videos, results, behind the scenes features and more on Varsity TV.
 - o Click here for coverage of The Summit
 - o Click here for coverage of The Dance Summit
- Be sure to join the <u>2021 Summit BAND Group</u> & <u>The 2021 Dance Summit BAND Group</u> for important updates and information during the competition weekend.

IMPORTANT: Watch the <u>ESPN Wide World of Sports Venue Tour</u> video that guides you through the athlete, spectator and coach flow before the championship begins. We also will be sending information regarding practice time sign ups at the resorts soon.



Travel safely and good luck at the Championship!

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Berry Senior Vice President Special Events and Competitions