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DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

INFORMATION GUIDE 2025



The Dance Summit Championship – U.S. Teams

May 2nd-4th, 2025

Disney's Coronado Springs Resort

The Dance Summit is the definitive All Star Dance Championship. 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-worlds divisions. This season, Varsity All Star is committed once again to producing an innovative, prestigious, competitive, and unforgettable end of the year experience.

Here are some things to know before you qualify:
Important changes to this document for the 2025 season will be denoted with a blue star.

DANCE SUMMIT ELIGIBLE DIVISIONS

Age Group	Eligible Divisions					
Tiny	Hip Hop	Jazz	Pom	Contemporary/Lyrical	Kick	Variety
Mini	Hip Hop	Jazz	Pom	Contemporary/Lyrical	Kick	Variety
Youth	Hip Hop	Jazz	Pom	Contemporary/Lyrical	Kick	Variety
Junior	Hip Hop	Jazz	Pom	Contemporary/Lyrical	Kick	Variety
Senior						Variety
Open					Kick	Variety
Open						Variety

**Divisions will be split based on USASF Guidelines after registration is complete.*

CROSSOVER POLICY

Each All-Star dancer is limited to performing in up to six (6) performances at The Dance Summit. Dancers may only represent one program.

Dancers may not crossover from the USASF divisions of The Summit to The Dance Summit. Athletes competing in the International divisions (IASF) at The Summit may compete at The Dance Summit. Athletes competing at The D2 Summit may also compete at The Dance Summit.

TEAM ELIGIBILITY

Any U.S. team that competes at a qualifying event in the 2024-2025 season AND receives a bid in one of the following divisions to The Dance Summit is eligible. Teams must be in good standing with the USASF, IASF & Varsity Spirit.

Teams MUST compete in the same division make up in which their roster qualified them for (age, category, all girl/all male/coed, small/large), but are allowed to add up to the MAXIMUM number of dancers in the division. For example, a team that qualifies in Mini Jazz Small with 10 dancers may compete at the Dance Summit with up to 14 dancers.

If a change is necessary to the size or all girl/all male/coed status, that team will need to compete through the Base Camp round and earn their way to Semi-Finals. For example, a team earns a bid in Youth Coed Hip Hop Small, and are no longer able to compete Coed, they will enter the Base Camp round in Youth Hip Hop Small. Exceptions may be made in non-split divisions based on Event Director discretion.

DANCER REPLACEMENT POLICY

If a dancer from the bid winning team is unable to compete at The Dance Summit, you may replace the dancer with another dancer from your program. The replacement dancer must meet the division age requirements and follow the crossover policy.

We do not restrict the number of dancers that can change on your roster as long as the 4 bid type qualifiers remain in place (age, division, all girl/all male/coed, small/large).

EARNING BIDS

Teams can qualify for The Dance Summit at Varsity All Star dance events across the country. All Dance Summit Bids will be revealed on Monday evenings at 7:30pm CST on Varsity TV on Varsity.com. Earned bids must be used during the 2025 Dance Summit Championship and cannot be deferred.

BID TYPES

- **Base Camp Bids:** Base Camp Bids allow teams to enter the Preliminary Round where they will compete for their chance to advance to the Semi-Finals Round. These bids will be given to the top 3 teams in every division at Varsity All Star dance events. Base Camp Bid winners must pay the full balance to compete.
- **At-Large Bids:** At-Large Bids allow teams to enter the Semi-Finals Round where they will compete for their chance to advance to the Final Round. These bids will be given at select Varsity All Star dance events. 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. These bids will be given at select Varsity All Star dance events.
    - **IMPORTANT: If additional dancers are added to the roster after the Paid Bid was earned, the program is responsible for the full cost of the additional dancers. Ex. If a team qualifies with 10 dancers and performs with 14 dancers at The Dance Summit, Paid Bid credit will be given for 10 dancers only.**

UPGRADING BIDS

- Base Camp Bids can upgrade to At-Large or Paid Bids
- At-Large Bids can be upgraded to Paid Bids
- Paid Bids cannot be further upgraded

PASSING DOWN BIDS

Bids will not be passed down as well as cannot be passed down to another team in your program. The team earning the bid (includes age, category, all girl/all male/coed, small/large) is the only team eligible to use the bid.

BID ELIGIBILITY

Event Producers have the right to investigate any teams receiving a bid to The Dance Summit. Bid eligible teams and divisions will be reviewed for accuracy and legitimacy. Any bid eligible team/dancer found in violation of a USASF, IASF or Varsity Spirit policy may be disqualified from The Dance Summit for the remainder of the 2024-2025 season.

DAYS OF COMPETITION ★

- **Friday, May 2nd, 2025**
  - Prelims (Base Camp) Morning Start
  - Semi-Finals (Mini Hip Hop, Junior Pom, Senior Variety, Open Kick & Open Variety and any splits of these divisions including their Base Camp advancements) Mid-Day Start
- **Saturday, May 3rd, 2025**
  - Semi-Finals (Base Camp advancements, At-Large & Paid Bids for all remaining divisions)
  - Finals (Mini Hip Hop, Junior Pom, Senior Variety, Open Kick & Open Variety and any splits of these divisions)
- **Sunday, May 4th, 2025**
  - Finals (All remaining divisions)

ROUNDS & ADVANCEMENTS

- **Prelims**: All teams that earned a Base Camp Bid will compete in this round. Below is the number of teams that will advance from the Base Camp round to Semi-Finals:
  - All Base Camp divisions will have the top 3 teams advance to Semi-Finals.
- **Semi-Finals**: Below is the number of teams that will advance from Semi-Finals to Finals based on division size **competing on the day of competition.**
  - All divisions with 10 or less teams in Semi-Finals will have 5 teams advance to Finals.
  - All divisions with 11+ teams in Semi-Finals will have 50% of the division advance to Finals, rounding up on odd division numbers (ie: a division of 19 will have 10 advance)

  **Advancement rules for The Dance Summit are subject to change and will be evaluated as we get closer to the Championship.*
- **Finals**:
  - Teams advancing from the Semi-Final round will face off to determine who will be named The Dance Summit Champion. Regardless of placement, ties will not be broken at The Dance Summit, nor will ties impact the number of teams advancing in each round of competition.
  - Exception: If there is a tie for the final team advancing, both teams will advance. In the event of a tie for first place, The Dance Summit will name Co-Champions.

SCORING

Scores do not carry over between rounds at The Dance Summit. Rankings from the Preliminary Round secure teams a spot in the Semi-Final Round and rankings from the Semi-Final round secure teams a spot in the Final Round.

AWARDS

- Each participant will receive a commemorative medallion for competing at The Dance Summit.
- Teams who qualify for Semi-Finals will receive a team Qualifier banner.
- Teams who qualify for Finals will be awarded a team Finalist banner.
- 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 Division/Category Champions will receive exclusive Dance Summit Championship Rings! All Summit Champion teams will be awarded an additional 6 rings to distribute to individuals of their choice. Additional rings past that 6 may be ordered on-site & must be paid for by the team or individual before delivery.

LOGO USAGE

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VARSITY SPIRIT PROGRAM RELEASE WAIVER

All athletes participating on a team at the 2025 Dance Summit must be a registered member of that team's program during the 2024-2025 competition season. Any athlete that exhibitions or competes on the floor with a team in any division from a program (Primary Program) after January 1, 2025 must have a Varsity Spirit Program Release Waiver signed by the owner of the Primary Program before that athlete is eligible to compete with another program at the 2025 Dance Summit Championship.

Completion of the Varsity Spirit Program Release Waiver is a required process between the Primary and Secondary Program owners. In the event a formal protest is made, and the official Program Release Waiver has not been signed, or if the Secondary Program is not able to provide one as physical proof to a Varsity Official, the Secondary Program will not be eligible or will be disqualified depending on the time of the formal protest. All Varsity Spirit Program Release Waivers must be turned in with your official USASF event roster at The Dance Summit.

Themed Uniforms/Costuming

Teams competing at The Dance Summit may NOT wear a uniform, costume or mask that portrays a Disney character or Disney movie theme.

DISQUALIFICATION

Any team that does not adhere to the terms of this competition may be subject to disqualification and automatically forfeit any right to any prizes or awards presented by The Dance Summit. In addition, teams may also forfeit the opportunity to participate the following year.

Varsity All Star reserves the right to amend this document, bid event listings and bid distributions at any time.