



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### I. Event Dates, Times, and Locations:

- **2017 Bluegrass State Games Cheer and Dance Championship**
    - Date: Sunday, October 30, 2016
    - Time: 12:00 PM-Allstars and 2:00 PM-Schools
    - Location: Madison Central High School, Richmond, KY
  - **2017 The Middle School State Cheer and Dance Classic**
    - Date: Saturday, January 14, 2017
    - Time: 10:00 AM
    - Location: Madison Central High School, Richmond, KY
  - **2017 The Commonwealth Cheer and Dance Open and Nationals Showcase**
    - Date: Saturday, February 4, 2017
    - Time: 10:00 AM
    - Location: Madison Central High School, Richmond, KY
  - **2017 The Kentucky Cheer and Dance Classic**
    - Date: February, TBA
    - Time: 10:00 AM
    - Location: Madison Central High School, Richmond, KY
- Many divisions with every team in mind; school teams, youth leagues, and all-star teams!
  - Any school without a dance team that is competing in the pom division will have the option of entering their cheerleading squad in the pom division of the dance portion of the competition.
  - There will be multiple divisions for cheerleading squads based on squad size for those who compete with 2 ½ minute routines.
  - There are also "Game Day" divisions for Junior High and High Schools.
  - For dance teams, there will be four divisions based on style of dance.
  - An individual may not compete on more than one squad/team of the same category. For example if Suzy is competing in the 2 ½ minute Elementary Division I, she may not also compete in 2 ½ minute Elementary Division II.
  - The main performance and the warm-up mat will be 42' x 54' (9 strips).
  - All participants must submit a signed waiver form prior to performing. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
  - Video cameras and traditional cameras are permitted in the performance arena provided that they are hand held and photographers remain in their seats. No tripods are allowed.
  - The Team Spirit Shop will be available the day of competition for all of your cheer and dance apparel and accessories.
  - Spectator admission for ages 5 and up is \$10 per person. Children up to age four are admitted free.
  - Each event will benefit the following Nonprofit Organizations:

#### - Bluegrass State Games Cheer and Dance Championship:

In 2016, this event will sponsor the "**Jarrett's Joy Cart Program**" at the University of Kentucky Children's Hospital! We are asking each athlete and spectator to bring a new, unwrapped toy or gift to be donated to the Joy Cart. You can get more information about this program by visiting [www.thejoycart.com](http://www.thejoycart.com).

#### -The Middle School State Cheer and Dance Classic:

In 2017, this event will sponsor "**Meeting the Needs,**" a religious ministry located in Owenton, KY. This ministry supports those in need in Owen County, Kentucky with food and clothing. We are asking each athlete and spectator to bring 3 or more nonperishable food items for the annual food drive. Through the years, The Team Spirit Shop events have donated over 65,000 pounds of non-perishable foods to food banks across Kentucky.

**-The Commonwealth Open:**

In 2017, this event will sponsor “**Meeting the Needs,**” a religious ministry located in Owenton, KY. This ministry supports those in need in Owen County, Kentucky with food and clothing. We are asking each athlete and spectator to bring 3 or more nonperishable food items for the annual food drive. Through the years, The Team Spirit Shop events have donated over 65,000 pounds of non-perishable foods to food banks across Kentucky.

**-The Kentucky Cheer and Dance Classic:**

In 2017, this event will host a coin drive for “**Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation**” in honor of Jack Myers. We are asking each team to collect change. The team that collects the most change before and during the competition will be awarded with FREE Team Jack tees. Jack is the 7 year old nephew of Dawne Perkins, competition coordinator. He was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes at 10 months old. In addition, we would like to invite all teams to walk with “Team Jack” in the annual Juvenile Diabetes Walk held annually in September.

**II. REGISTRATION FEES**

**Bluegrass State Games:**

Teams: \$25.00/FREE per individual with “Jarrett’s Joy Cart” donation.  
Individuals: \$50.00 per entry  
Duets: \$65.00 per entry  
Trio: \$80.00 per entry  
Group Stunts: \$100.00 per entry  
Additional Divisions: \$15.00 per cheerleader/dancer for each additional division of competition.  
Cancellation Fee: \$100.00 after October 16, 2016 for ALL teams and individuals, no exceptions.

**The Middle School State Cheer and Dance Classic:**

Teams: \$25.00/\$20.00 per individual with “Meeting the Needs” donation  
Individuals: \$50.00 per entry  
Duets: \$65.00 per entry  
Trio: \$80.00 per entry  
Group Stunts: \$100.00 per entry  
Additional Divisions: \$15.00 per cheerleader/dancer for each additional division of competition.  
Cancellation Fee: 50% refund before December 31, 2016 for ALL teams and individuals, no exceptions.

**The Commonwealth Cheer and Dance Open and Nationals Showcase:**

Teams: \$25.00/\$20.00 per individual with “Meeting the Needs” donation  
Individuals: \$50.00 per entry  
Duets: \$65.00 per entry  
Trio: \$80.00 per entry  
Group Stunts: \$100.00 per entry  
Additional Divisions: \$15.00 per cheerleader/dancer for each additional division of competition.  
Cancellation Fee: 50% refund before January 28, 2017 for ALL teams and individuals, no exceptions.

**The Kentucky Cheer and Dance Classic:**

Teams: \$25.00/\$20.00 per individual with “Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation” donation  
Individuals: \$50.00 per entry  
Duets: \$65.00 per entry  
Trio: \$80.00 per entry  
Group Stunts: \$100.00 per entry  
Additional Divisions: \$15.00 per cheerleader/dancer for each additional division of competition.  
Cancellation Fee: To Be Announced, based on final competition date.

**III. PERFORMANCE DIVISIONS**

- **All-Star Cheer:** Tiny, Mini, Youth, Junior, Senior Restricted, Senior, Junior Coed, and Senior Coed.
- **All-Star Dance:** Jazz (Tiny, Mini, Youth, Junior, and Senior), Hip Hop (Tiny, Mini, Youth, Junior, and Senior), Pom (Tiny, Mini, Youth, Junior, and Senior)
- **Youth/ Parks and Recreation:** Mini, Peewee, Elementary
- **School Cheer:** Elementary (Beginner and Advanced); Junior High (Small, Medium, Large, Super Large and Coed); High School Junior Varsity (Small, Large); High School Varsity (Small, Medium, Large, Super Large and Coed); Game Day Junior High (Time Out Cheer and Time Out Dance); Game Day High School (Time Out Cheer, Time Out Dance & Fight Song)
- **School Dance:** Jazz (Elementary, Junior High and Senior High); Hip Hop (Elementary, Junior High, and Senior High); Pom (Elementary, Junior High and Senior High); Step (Elementary, Junior High and Senior High)
- **Individual Cheer:** (Division I, II, III)
- **Crowdleader**
- **Individual Dance:** Jazz (Division I, II, III); Hip Hop (Divisions I, II, III); Pom (Division I, II, III)
- **Duet Dance:** (Division I, II, III)
- **Trio Dance:** (Division I, II, III)
- **Group Stunt:** (Division I, II, III)

#### IV. PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

- Doors open 90 minutes prior to the competition start time.
- Registration will begin at 90 minutes prior to the competition start time.
- A schedule of events will be available online at [www.theteamspiritshopusa.com](http://www.theteamspiritshopusa.com) on Thursday prior to the event.

#### V. AWARDS

**Awards will be given in each division as follows:**

- First Place (winner) in each division.
- Second Place in each division (if 3 or more teams.)
- Third Place in each division (if 5 or more teams.)
- GRAND CHAMPION AWARDS- Banners will be presented to the overall highest score, 1<sup>st</sup> Runner Up, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up out of all divisions, Youth divisions and above.
- MOST "TEAM SPIRIT"- Presented by The Team Spirit Shop to the team with the most ENTHUSIASTIC fan support and spirit!
- Most "Team Spirit" and "Dance Showmanship Award
- Additional 'Competition' specific awards will be presented.

#### VI. RULES, PENALTIES AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

- All Star teams should visit [www.usasf.net](http://www.usasf.net) for a complete list of rules, penalties and disqualifications.
- Youth/ Parks and Recreation and School teams should visit [www.nfhs.org](http://www.nfhs.org) for a complete list of rules, penalties and disqualifications.

#### VII. FINAL NOTES

- The Team Spirit Championship Series staff reserves the right to add, change, delete, or combine divisions for any reason.
- The Team Spirit Championship Series staff reserves the right to disqualify competitors that do not adhere to the division requirements or exhibit poor sportsmanship.
- Information regarding teams registered will not be available until the schedule is released. This includes, but is not limited to names of teams and number of teams registered for each category. Calling or emailing with questions regarding this information will not be beneficial as no information will be released.
- Registration fees must be paid in full with one check or money order.
- Checks should be made payable to The Team Spirit Shop.
- Master Card, Visa, Discover and/or American Express are also acceptable methods of payment. Please contact our office at 859-223-5297 if you choose one of these options. A 5% service charge will be added for all fees being charged to credit card.
- All registrations must be accompanied by original Agreement of Compliance Forms, one per 'school' year provided same information.
- Registration may be mailed to the following address:  
The Team Spirit Championship Series  
C/O The Team Spirit Shop, Inc.  
4101 Tates Creek Centre Drive, Suite 150 - PMB 294  
Lexington, KY 40517
- Cancellations made after the deadline will receive no refund. This is regardless of personal conflict, weather, or any unexpected or unpredicted circumstance beyond our control.
- In the event the competition is rescheduled for an unexpected or unpredictable situation, no refunds will be made to individuals or teams that cannot attend the makeup date. In the event that teams cannot attend the makeup date, they may choose to compete at another Team Spirit Championship Series Event within the calendar year at no additional charge.
- All team cancellations after the refund deadline may choose to compete at another Team Spirit Championship Series Event within the calendar year at no additional charge.
- All cancellations must be emailed to [info@theteamspiritshopusa.com](mailto:info@theteamspiritshopusa.com).
- Refund checks will be mailed directly back to the original address presented on the check within 30 days of the scheduled competition.
- If you have any additional questions, you may contact the competition staff at 859-223-5297. The competition staff may also be contacted by e-mail at [info@theteamspiritshopusa.com](mailto:info@theteamspiritshopusa.com).



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