

Tennessee Valley Fair CHEERLEADING & DANCE COMPETITION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

REGISTRATION: 9:30 A.M. START TIME: 10:00 A.M.

You're Invited

We would like to invite you to participate in the 2017 Tennessee Valley Fair Cheerleading & Dance competition to be held, Saturday, September 9, 2017 at the Homer Hamilton Theatre.

Competition is open to all official squads from Elementary, Middle and High school teams as well as Recreational Programs in East Tennessee.

Registration

Early Bird Registration: \$20 per participant
(on or before August 11th)

On-Time Registration: \$30 per participant
(August 12th-September 1st)

You are not considered "registered" until registration forms have been filled out completely and registration fees have been paid in full.

Each Team Will Receive:

1. Admission for each participant.
2. Admission for two sponsors.*
3. Competition T-Shirt for each participant.
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5. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams will receive trophies.
6. 1st Place teams receive medals.

Routine Requirements

- Time Limits for both Cheer and Dance: Min: 1:30, Max: 2:30
- *Cheer – 1:00 to 1:30 of music is recommended for cheer. You may utilize the full 2:30 time limit with music but cheer and vocal projections are still recommended.
- *Dance routines should utilize music for the entirety of the routine.
- Music may be on a CD or mp3 player (mp3 recommended). Use burned CDs at your own risk, custom burned CDs may not play. Bring backups for both CDs and mp3 players.
- Organized, formal entrances that involve organized cheers, run-ons with tumbling, or partner stunts are NOT permitted.
- Timing will begin with the first organized word, movement or note of music by the team after they are officially announced and have taken the floor. The entire team must be on the floor when the performance begins.
- Timing will end with the last organized word, movement or note of music by the team.
- Teams must be on-time at given warm-up and performance times.
- Routines and music selection must be appropriate for family viewing. Any vulgar or suggestive movements, words or music will result in a score deduction of 2 points per judge.

Division Guidelines

RECREATIONAL CHEER

Rec. A = 10 yrs. and younger (5-35 members)

Rec. B = 16yrs and younger (5-35 members)

Division Guidelines

NOVICE

Tumbling - forward rolls, cartwheels, round-offs, back bends, back bend kickovers, front/back walkovers allowed

Jumps - Recommend one jump in the cheer and/or routine. Jumps can include, but not limited to, toe touches, pike jumps, right/left/front hurdler

Stunts - Thigh stands, shoulder sits, and stunts no higher than prep level are allowed. There must be a back spot for each stunt (front spot recommended).

Pyramid - Follow stunt guidelines. 1-leg stunts (lib, heel stretch, scale) are permitted ONLY if braced on both sides and not extending past prep level.

Tosses - A straight body toss or "show-and-go" is allowed.

INTERMEDIATE

Tumbling - All Novice skills are allowed as well as standing/running backhandsprings, back tucks, layouts and full-twisting layouts

Jumps - Incorporate at least one jump into the cheer and/or routine. It's recommended to do 2 jumps in combination (double toe-touch, right/left hurder, etc).

Stunts - All Novice stunts are allowed. Extended stunts are allowed. 1-leg stunts (lib, heel stretch, scale, etc) are allowed. Single twists are allowed in cradles.

Pyramid - Follow Stunt guidelines.

Tosses - Toe touch baskets, straight body, single full twisting baskets, and kick full twisting baskets are allowed. NO FRONT OR BACK FLIP BASKETS.

SCHOOL CHEER

•AGE: Elementary: Grades K-6th, Middle: Grades 8th and below, High: JR Varsity or Varsity/Grades 12th and below.

•Number of Participants: 5-35 members

•LEVEL: Schools must follow Federation guidelines (NFHS).

RECREATIONAL AND SCHOOL DANCE

•AGE: Middle School: Grades 8th and below/Rec: 12 yrs and younger. High School: Grades 12th and below/Rec: 16 years and younger

•Number of Participants: 5-35 members

•STYLES: Hip Hop, Jazz or Pom

SCORESHEETS

A copy of each teams scoresheet will be provided after awards are given. We will provide critiques to help your team improve. For cheer, motions, jumps and dance are collectively scored higher than tumbling, tosses, stunts, and pyramids. For dance, team representation, performance, formations/transitions and impression are collectively scored higher than leaps, turns, tricks and jumps. Emphasize your team's synchronization, sharpness, energy, clean transitions/spacing, and facials to maximize score.



This form must be in the Tennessee Valley Fair office by Friday, September 1, 2017. Each cheerleader/dancer, including alternates, must complete this form.

PARTICIPANT RELEASE OF LIABILITY READ BEFORE SIGNING

Event Name: Cheerleading and Dance Competition

Participants Name: _____

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the program, related events and activities, I the undersigned, acknowledge, appreciate and agree that:

1. The risk of injury from the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist and,
2. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees or others and assume full responsibility for my participation and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If however I observe and unusual or significant hazard during presence or participation, I will remove myself from the participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately and,
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS **The Tennessee Valley Fair, Inc.**, their officers, officials, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, advertisers and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event (RELEASEES), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH or loss or damage to person or property. WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, I UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT INDUCEMENT.

Participant's Signature

Date of Birth

Age

Printed Name Signed Above

Date Signed

School or Organization

Competition Division

FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANT OF MINOR AGE (UNDER THE AGE OF 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as a parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the Releasees, and for myself, my heirs, assigns next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liability incidents to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date Signed

Printed Name Signed Above

Emergency Phone Number