GHSA DANCE INVITATIONAL February 16, 2019 9:00 AM Mt. ZION HS, JONESBORO, GA 2535 Mt. Zion Parkway



The GHSA is so excited to host its first Competitive Dance competition! We are so glad to have you as part of this big event that will be the beginning of something great! Below are instructions for coaches and for you to pass along to the parents of your school. Please do not hesitate to email me pennypitts@ghsa.net or call me 478-957-9775 if you have questions or need assistance.

Check in will begin at 7AM. Buses will drop off teams at the "Team Check In" gate near the gym and will park across the street in the Fine Arts parking lot.

All teams should be checked in **before the start of the invitational**. Warm ups include 5 minutes to stretch (3 cheer mats) and a large area to perform a run through. If your team misses your warm up time, your team will be disgualified. In case of emergency, please contact Penny Pitts Mitchell immediately at 478-957-9775.

The "CHECK IN" table will allow all of the team members on your roster to check in with your team. Anyone who is not listed on the roster will be directed to the ticket entrance. Coaches will receive a wristband for entry to the warm up area. Team members should wear uniforms, warm ups, or T shirts worn by the whole team to enter with the team. All team members should enter at the same time. 2 coaches will be admitted with the team.

Teams will be assigned a classroom to meet and store their belongings. Coaches should be responsible for making sure the room is left in order and clean upon departure. (Leave it like you found it) There are several rest rooms available for your team's use. However, there are only a few locker rooms and they may not be located conveniently. Please use your room to change, being mindful of windows and doors. Male participants will be allowed to use the locker rooms or men's rest rooms.

Doors for spectators will open at 8:00 AM. Admission is \$10 per person. Babes in arms will be admitted free. Sides A and B will be marked so that spectators will know which side they need to sit.

Concessions will be open throughout the day for all participants and spectators. There will be a hospitality room for coaches and judges. Feel free to order in food for your team's lunch if you want. There are many restaurants around the area. However, please do not have your team or coach leave the area until after the competition is over.

Divisions: 1st and 2nd place trophies will be awarded to teams in the following divisions:

- A-2A-3A (Side B)
- o 4A-5A (Side B)
- o 6A-7A (Side A)

The overall top team score in the each category will be awarded a plaque. (High kick, hip hop, etc)

<u>Music:</u> There will be a DJ on the floor that will be able to use a CD or your phone or ipad. Please make sure your device is on airplane mode if you are using this for your music. Music may be checked with the DJ upon arrival.

<u>Performance:</u> Teams will go from the run through to "in the hole" at the top of the stairs in the gym. The music person will move to the chairs near the DJ at this time. After moving to "on deck," teams will move behind the performance area (gym floor facing Side A or B). Once the team is set on the floor the announcer will then say, "_____ High School, the floor is yours." The coach or team designee will start the music. After performing, the teams will exit the floor to a water station and then follow the coach's instructions on what to do next. If your team is performing a 2nd routine, please make sure to prepare for getting again. If not, please stay dressed in team attire until after the awards presentation. All alternates who are dressed in the team uniform will be allowed on the floor and in warm ups to watch. There will be a vacant row for them to sit during the performance.

Please continue to check the website for updates.