



Crowd Pleasers Regional Showcase
General Information, Rules and Regulations

Solos

- Time limit: 1.5-2 minutes
- Individuals will be permitted to enter more than one solo (only highest scoring solo may final).
- Solos will be grouped according to grade only by the following guidelines:

Public / Private Schools

Elementary School / Middle School / HS Jr. 9th-10th / HS Sr. 11th/HS Sr. 12th

Community / Studios

Based on Age as of August 31st 2017.

6 and under/ 7-8 year olds/ 9-10 year olds/ 11-12 year olds/ 13-14 year olds/ 15-16 year olds/
17-18 year olds

No exceptions will be made for age.

- Each Division I solo will be awarded.
- Three places will be awarded trophies for all age groups. For age groups with 20+ entries, five places will be awarded. For age groups with 40+ entries, eight places will be awarded. For age groups with 60+ entries, ten places will be awarded for solos with a total score above 285+. Our tabulation system will break ties according to the following tie priority; Technique, Performance Quality, and Choreography.
- High School Sr. (11th-12th) Semi-Finalists awards may also be awarded.
- Solo finalists will be announced following the last routine in the main gym. The winner of the public school junior soloists (9th and 10th grade) and the winners of the studio 15-16 and 17-18 year old divisions will perform. Only the top 3 public school 11th and 12th graders will re-dance for placement.
- **Studio and Middle School TX Showcase ONLY-** All solo winners will perform following the last routine in the main gym.
- Cash Scholarships will be awarded to the Top 3 Highest Scoring HS Senior Soloists (12th grade) **at the Winter Showcase only** (minimum of 100 solo entries is required).

- **We only allow independent soloists at Winter Showcase.**
- In order to perform a solo at a Regional, State or National Competition, you must also participate in one or more team or officer events.

Duets / Trios / Small, Medium, Large, and XL Ensembles

- Time limit: 1.5-2.5 minutes excluding entrance and exit.
- In order to perform a duet, trio or ensemble at a Regional, State or National Competition, you must also participate in one or more team or officer events.
- Groups should be entered according to the average grade of the members by the following guidelines:

Public / Private Schools

Elementary School / Middle School / High School

Community / Studios

Based on Age as of August 31st 2017.

6 and under/ 7-9 year olds/ 10-12 year olds/ 13-15 year olds/ 16-18 year olds

- Each Division I performance will be awarded pins for all participants.
- Within each category and age group the top three places will be awarded trophies. For age groups with 20+ entries for any of the above entry types, five places will be awarded.

Ensemble Size (# of Dancers)

Small	4-6
Medium	7-12
Large	13-20
XL	21+

Social Officer Routines

- Time limit: 1.5-2.5 minutes excluding entrance and exit.
- Must consist of Social Officers only.
- Entries are grouped according to the following guidelines:

Public / Private Schools

Elementary School / Middle School / High School

Community / Studios

Tiny	(6 and under on August 31 st of 2017)
Mini	(7-9 years on August 31 st of 2017)
Youth	(10-12 years on August 31 st of 2017)

Junior	(13-15 years on August 31 st of 2017)
Senior	(16-18 years on August 31 st of 2017)

- Each Division I performance will be awarded pins for all participants.
- Within each age group the top three places will be awarded trophies.

Dance Officer Routines

- WINTER SHOWCASE ONLY- HS Officer Groups will be combined into one category. They will be eligible for all of the following awards with the exception of Showcase Elite.
- Time limit: 1.5-3 minutes excluding entrance and exit, 5 minutes total including entrance and exit.
- **Should your entrance, performance, exit and prop set up exceed a total of 5 minutes, please include this on your online registration. You will be charged \$100 for an extra 5 minute time slot.**
- Must consist of Dance Officers only.
- Entries are grouped according to the following guidelines:

Public / Private Schools

Elementary School / Middle School / Pep Squad/ High School JV 9th grade + / High School Elite / Co-ed/ Crew (All Boys)/ High School Varsity/ College

Community / Studios

Tiny	(6 and under on August 31 st of 2017)
Mini	(7-9 years on August 31 st of 2017)
Youth	(10-12 years on August 31 st of 2017)
Junior	(13-15 years on August 31 st of 2017)
Senior	(16-18 years on August 31 st of 2017)

- High School Varsity entries will be further grouped according to **team membership** size by the following guidelines:

Small	4-15
Medium	16-25
Large	26-35
X-Large	36-50
Super	51+
Co-Ed	(25% or more of group to qualify)
Classic	(selected by director)

- High School JV Team entries will be further grouped according to **team membership** size by the following guidelines when 6+ JV teams are registered.

Small JV Team (4-20)
 Medium JV Team (21-35)
 Large JV Team (36+)

- Middle School Team entries will be further grouped according to **team membership** size by the following guidelines when 6+ MS teams are registered.

Small MS Team (4-20)
 Medium MS Team (21-35)
 Large MS Team (36+)

****Team size is determined by the number of team members on your spring team roster, not including managers. This size must be verified by the official online form by January 18th.**

- All teams may choose to register in the Classic Division. This division is for teams with limited experience and/or extreme variation in skill level. Classification is chosen at the director's discretion. This group will be eligible for all awards with the exception of Overall Awards.
- JV and Middle School Teams are not eligible for Overall Showcase Awards.

- Within each group you may enter the following

Jazz	Pom	Prop	Lyrical	Hip Hop	Contemporary
Kick	Military	Novelty	Modern	Open	

- Each Division I performance will be awarded pins for all participants.
- Superior Performance trophies will be awarded to those officer groups receiving 255+ on one routine.
- Silver Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded to those officer groups receiving a total score of 255+ on two routines.
- Within each group a "Best in Class" will be chosen for each style of routine. A total score of 270+ is required for this award to be given. Three places will be awarded where applicable. Five places will be awarded for categories with 8+ entries.

- All Dance Officer entries are eligible for the following:

Outstanding Technique	(High scores in technique)
Outstanding Choreography	(High scores in choreography)
Outstanding Precision	(High scores in execution)
Outstanding Performance Quality	(High scores in performance quality)
Outstanding Artistry	(Artistic Interpretation)- Judges Nomination
Crowd Pleasers	(Audience appeal)- CP Staff Nomination

- You must enter three Officer Routines to be eligible for each of the following within your group. If entering 4+ officer routines, only top 3 scoring routines will count towards final total score.

Gold Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 255+)
Super Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 270+)
2 nd Runner Up	(3 rd Highest Total Score, 270+)
1 st Runner Up	(2 nd Highest Total Score, 270+)
Grand Champion	(Highest Total Score, 270+)
Showcase Elite	(Top Scoring Officer Groups)
Overall Grand Champion Officer Group	(Top Scoring Officer Group)

Team Routines

- **Winter Showcase ONLY-** Teams may perform any team routines for critique only or compete for Sweepstakes and Best In Class only.
- Time limit: 1.5-3 minutes excluding entrance and exit, 5 minutes total including entrance and exit.
- **Should your entrance, performance, exit and prop set up exceed a total of 5 minutes, please include this on your online registration. You will be charged \$100 for an extra 5 minute time slot.**
- Entries are grouped according to the following guidelines:

Public / Private Schools-

Elementary School / Middle School / Pep Squad/ High School JV 9th grade + / High School Elite / Co-ed/ Crew (All Boys)/ High School Varsity/ College

Community / Studios-

Tiny	(6 and under on August 31 st of 2017)
Mini	(7-9 years on August 31 st of 2017)
Youth	(10-12 years on August 31 st of 2017)
Junior	(13-15 years on August 31 st of 2017)
Senior	(16-18 years on August 31 st of 2017)

- High School Elite groups should consist of up to 24 members of your team that wish to enter as a separate Elite team in order to compete against the Elite teams from other schools. Elite teams may not consist of only officers. You must enter 3+ Elite team routines in order to be eligible for awards listed below. Elite Teams are not eligible for Overall Awards.
- High School Varsity entries will be further grouped according to **team membership** size by the following guidelines:

Small HS Team (4-15)
Medium HS Team (16-25)
Large HS Team (26-35)
X-Large HS Team (36-50)
Super HS Team (51+)
Co-Ed (25% or more of group to qualify)
Classic (selected by director)

- High School JV Team entries will be further grouped according to **team membership** size by the following guidelines when 6+ JV teams are registered.

Small JV Team (4-20)
Medium JV Team (21-35)
Large JV Team (36+)

- Middle School Team entries will be further grouped according to **team membership** size by the following guidelines when 6+ JV teams are registered.

Small MS Team (4-20)
Medium MS Team (21-35)
Large MS Team (36+)

***Team size is determined by the number of team members on your spring team roster, not including managers. This size must be verified by the official online form by January 18th.**

- All teams may choose to register in the Classic Division. This division is for teams with limited experience and/or extreme variation in skill level. Classification is chosen at the director's discretion. This group will be eligible for all awards with the exception of Overall Awards.
- JV and Middle School Teams are not eligible for Overall Showcase Awards.
- We require a minimum of 4 dancers on a team to enter as a team.
- No changes in team size will be permitted after official verification.

- Within each group you may enter the following styles:

Jazz	Pom	Prop	Lyrical	Hip Hop	Contemporary
Kick	Military	Novelty	Modern	Open	

- Within each group a "Best in Class" will be chosen for each style of routine. A total score of 270+ is required for this award to be given. Three places will be awarded where applicable. Five places will be awarded for categories with 8+ entries.
- In the HS Division an Overall Most Outstanding award will be chosen for each style of routine with 8+ entries.
- Superior Performance trophies will be awarded to those teams receiving total score of 255+ on one routine.

- Silver Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded to those teams receiving a total score of 255+ on two routines.

- All entries are eligible for the following:

Outstanding Technique	(High scores in technique)
Outstanding Choreography	(High scores in choreography)
Outstanding Precision	(High scores in execution)
Outstanding Performance Quality	(High scores in performance quality)
Outstanding Artistry	(Artistic Interpretation)- Judges Nomination
Crowd Pleasers	(Audience Appeal)- CP Staff Nomination
Academic Achievement	(Based on Overall Team GPA)- HS ONLY
	Online Submission
Highest Point (Highest Score)	Winner, 1 st Runner Up, 2 nd Runner Up

- You must enter three Team Routines to be eligible for each of the following within your group: If entering 4+ team routines, only top 3 scoring routines will count towards final average score.

Gold Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 255+)
Super Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 270+)
2 nd Runner Up	(3 rd Highest Total Score, 270+)
1 st Runner Up	(2 nd Highest Total Score, 270+)
Grand Champion	(Highest Total Score, 270+ \$200 Cash Prizes Awarded to qualified High School Varsity divisions)
Showcase Elite	(Top Scoring Teams)
4 th Runner Up Overall	(20+ Teams required)
3 rd Runner Up Overall	(20+ Teams required)
2 nd Runner Up Overall	(10+ Teams required)
1 st Runner Up Overall	(10+ Teams required)
Overall Grand Champion	(\$500 Cash Prize Awarded to qualified High School Varsity divisions)

Team Production

- Time limit: 4-6 minutes excluding entrance and exit, 10 minutes total including entrance and exit.
- **Should your entrance, performance, and exit exceed a total of 10 minutes, please include this on your online registration.**
- Entries in this category count towards eligibility for above Team awards.
- The Team routine guidelines for groupings applies.
- Within each group Team Production "Best in Class" will be chosen. A total score of 270+ is required for this award to be given. Three places will be awarded where applicable. Five places will be awarded for categories with 8+ entries.

Music

- Upon registering for any future Crowd Pleasers events you will notice you are required to check a box verifying that all of the music you are using at the event has been purchased legally and has not been altered in any way that violates any copyright laws. Furthermore, you will be asked to certify that you hold harmless Crowd Pleasers Dance from being liable if your music violates any copyright laws.
- Music may be played from an MP3/iPod player with a 1/8 in. ear phone jack. Please plan to have a representative at the music table to operate your MP3 player to avoid and confusion. Please also be sure you have a cd as back-up.
- If CDs are used, they must be professionally recorded on a **clean, high quality CD with no sticker labels**. Please be sure to have a back up copy on hand.
- **Please label with your name, entry number (available on performance schedule), and school name with black permanent marker.** (one routine per CD)
- Each performance area sound system is equipped for CD and iPod/MP3 player capabilities. Variable speed is available for CD input only.
- Please make every effort to have music recorded at the proper tempo. If necessary, speed checks will be done just prior to performance at music table.
- CD's that have not been picked up by the end of the contest will be attempted to be returned to you in your evaluation packet. Otherwise, CD's that are left will be discarded.

Performance Schedule

- The Preliminary Performance **schedule will be e-mailed to you TWO Tuesday's prior to the contest no later than 8:00 am.**
- The Final Performance schedule will be emailed and posted on our website as well entry numbers TWO Thursday's prior to the contest after directors have had the opportunity to request changes.
- The schedule you receive may run as much as 30 min. ahead or behind. Please notify all potential spectators of this possibility. You will also receive the updated schedule upon registration.
- Schedule changes must be requested in writing via email.
- **No emailed changes will be accepted after 5:00 pm the Wednesday before the day of the contest.**
- **Late changes must be submitted on the Change Request form upon check-in at the contest.**

Poms, Props and Backdrops

- If you use poms or props that shed, please have a team representative scheduled to clean the floor following performance.
- Please be sure to pad (foam, felt, tape) the bottom of all wooden/metal props. You will be responsible for any damage to the gym floor due to improperly padded props or other

negligence. Directors may be asked to sign a contract with the host school acknowledging and agreeing to their property damage policies.

- No hard soled boots or shoes will be permitted on the gym floor. You may not tap or clog directly on gym floor. You will be responsible for providing padded tap boards/flooring.
- Curtains, staging, and other props should be constructed to fit through a 7 foot tall double door with the center support bar removed.
- Because only 5 minutes (10 mins. for Productions) is allotted for each team routine (including entrance, set up, tear down and exit) only minimal set up is allowed on the floor. Any exceptions must be submitted during the online registration process.

Dressing Areas

- Will be assigned the morning of the contest upon check-in.
- As a general rule men will not be permitted in dressing rooms. **Should you have male team members, please make note on your online registration, and we will be happy to make special dressing room arrangements.**
- No food or drinks will be allowed in dressing rooms.
- Dressing areas may be shared by several schools. Please be courteous and display good sportsmanship at all times.

Videography / Photography

- **A videographer** will be on site to record all performances in both gyms at select contests only. A booth will be set up all day for you to place video orders.
- Personal videotaping will be permitted. However, no electrical outlets will be available for personal use and tripods/monopods are strictly prohibited. Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.
- **Flash photography is strictly prohibited in ALL performance areas.**
- **A professional photographer** will be on site at most of our contests to take team and candid photos following performance. Packages will be available for you to order.

Spectator Fees and Comps

SPECTATOR ADMISSION:

Friday only (if applicable)- \$5 Adults/Senior Citizens & Children and free

Saturday only- \$12 Adults/ \$5 Senior Citizens/ \$5 Children (ages 5-12)/ Under 5 Free

Two day pass (if applicable)- \$15 Adults

- Each Team will be given name badges for 1 Director and 1 Assistant (names must be indicated on registration).
- At Winter Showcase, only teams entering medium or large ensembles and/or officer routines will receive 3 complimentary passes for chaperones.
- At All Regional, State and National Team Showcases, each team competing in team events will receive 3 complimentary passes available for pick-up at Team Check-in.

Registration, Payment and Refund Policies

- All registrations must be submitted online.
- Registrations received after the posted deadlines are subject to a \$75 late fee.
- We will not schedule performances until payment has been received in full.
- Drops and adds to the original registration must be received in writing via email or fax no later than 10 days prior to the event.
- You will be responsible for payment of all entries on your original registration unless you comply with the Drop policy stated above.
- In the event of inclement weather or cancellation beyond our control the director, will be offered the following options:
 - o 50% refund on all entry fees
 - o Full credit towards future registration fees
- Refunds will not be issued after the Preliminary Schedule has been sent out for a contest location. Cancellations may be granted on a case-by-case basis. Any credit for the fees will be applied to a contest during the current season only. All balances must be paid in full or PO issued at least two weeks before contest.

Miscellaneous Information

- In an effort to promote a wholesome contest environment that can be enjoyed by family members of all ages, Crowd Pleasers will support its judges in the deduction of points for *inappropriate music, costuming, or movement*. Please note that these deductions may affect your final standings for all categories. These point deductions will be clearly indicated in the box on the bottom of each score sheet.
- In an effort to support our gracious host schools, absolutely NO outside food or drinks will be allowed on campus.

Additional Rules & Regulations for State Showcases

State Solos

- Three places will be awarded "Texas State Champion" trophies for all age groups. For age groups with 20+ entries, five places will be awarded. (Except for HS Sr. Soloists)
- Ten places will be awarded "Texas State Champion" trophies for High School Sr. Soloist 11th grade and 12th grade divisions for solos with a total score over 285+. The top three 11th and 12th grade soloist will dance off for placement.
- High School Sr. (11th-12th) Semi-Finalists awards may also be awarded.
- "Texas State Champion" apparel will be awarded to the winning solo for each grade division with 10+ entries.

- We only allow independent soloists at January Premier and Winter Showcase.

State Duets / Trios / Small, Medium, Large, and XL Ensembles

- Within each category and age group the top three places will be awarded "Texas State Champion" trophies. For age groups with 20+ entries for any of the above entry types, five places will be awarded.

State Social Officer Routines

- Within each age group the top three places will be awarded "Texas State Champion" trophies.

State Dance Officer Routines

- Within each group a "Texas State Champion" will be chosen for each style of routine. A total score of 270+ is required for this award to be given. Three places will be awarded where applicable. Five places will be awarded for categories with 8+ entries.
- You must enter three Officer Routines to be eligible for each of the following within your group. If entering 4+ officer routines, only top 3 scoring routines will count towards final average score.

Gold Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 255+)
Super Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 270+)
2 nd Runner Up	(3 rd Highest Total Score, 270+)
1 st Runner Up	(2 nd Highest Total Score, 270+)
Showcase Elite	(Top Scoring Officer Groups)
Overall Texas State Champion Officer Group	(Highest Total Score, 270+)

- "Texas State Champion" apparel will be awarded to each member of the top scoring officer group overall. In the event that a competitor earns more than one title, only one State Championship item will be awarded.

State Team Routines

- Within each group a "Texas State Champion" will be chosen for each style of routine. A total score of 270+ is required for this award to be given. Three places will be awarded where applicable. Five places will be awarded for categories with 8+ entries.
- An "Overall Texas State Champion" will be chosen for each style of routine with 8+ entries.
- You must enter three Team Routines to be eligible for each of the following within your group. If entering 4+ team routines, only top 3 scoring routines will count towards final average score.

Gold Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 255+)
Super Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 270+)

2 nd Runner Up	(3 rd Highest Total Score, 270+)
1 st Runner Up	(2 nd Highest Total Score, 270+)
Texas State Champion	(Highest Total Score, 270+ \$300 Cash Prizes Awarded to qualified High School Varsity divisions)
Showcase Elite	(Top Scoring Teams)
4 th Runner Up Overall State Champion Team	(20+ Teams required)
3 rd Runner Up Overall State Champion Team	(20+ Teams required)
2 nd Runner Up Overall State Champion Team	(10+ Teams required)
1 st Runner Up Overall State Champion Team	(10+ Teams required)
Overall Texas State Champion Team	(10+ Teams required)

SR. STATE ONLY: \$750 Cash Prize Awarded to Overall Texas State Champion Team qualified divisions

- "Texas State Champion" apparel will be awarded to each member of the overall top scoring team within entry groups with 5+ teams competing. In the event that a competitor earns more than one title, only one State Championship item will be awarded.

Additional Rules & Regulations for National Showcases

Nationals Solos

- Three places will be awarded "National Champion" trophies for all age groups. For age groups with 20+ entries, five places will be awarded. (Except for HS Sr. Soloists)
- Ten places will be awarded trophies for High School Sr. Soloist 11th grade and 12th grade divisions for solos with a total score over 285+. The top three 11th and 12th grade soloist will dance off for placement.
- High School Sr. (11th-12th) Semi-Finalists awards may also be awarded.
- "National Champion" apparel will be awarded to the winning solo for each grade division with 10+ entries.
- Cash scholarships will be awarded to Top 5 (12th grade) Senior Solos (minimum of 100 SS entries is required)

Nationals Duets / Trios / Small, Medium, and Large Ensembles

- Within each category and age group the top three places will be awarded "National Champion" trophies. For age groups with 20+ entries for any of the above entry types, five places will be awarded.

Nationals Social Officer Routines

- Within each age group the top three places will be awarded "National Champion" trophies.

Nationals Dance Officer Routines

- Within each group a "National Champion" will be chosen for each style of routine. A total score of 270+ is required for this award to be given. Three places will be awarded where applicable. Five places will be awarded for categories with 8+ entries.
- You must enter three Officer Routines to be eligible for each of the following within your group. If entering 4+ officer routines, only top 3 scoring routines will count towards final average score.

Gold Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 255+)
Super Sweepstakes	(Total Score, 270+)
2 nd Runner Up	(3 rd Highest Total Score, 270+)
1 st Runner Up	(2 nd Highest Total Score, 270+)
Showcase Elite	(Top Scoring Officer Groups)
National Champion	(Highest Total Score, 270+)

- "National Champion" apparel will be awarded to each member of the top scoring officer group overall. In the event that a competitor earns more than one title, only one National Championship item will be awarded.

Team Routines

- Within each group a "National Champion" will be chosen for each style of routine. A total score of 270+ is required for this award to be given. Three places will be awarded where applicable. Five places will be awarded for categories with 8+ entries.
- An "Overall National Champion" will be chosen for each style of routine with 8+ entries.
- Teams winning Overall National Champion Team will receive \$1000 Cash Prize in qualified High School Varsity divisions.
- "National Champion" apparel will be awarded to each member of the overall top scoring team within entry groups with 5+ teams competing. In the event that a competitor earns more than one title, only one National Championship item will be awarded.

Nationals Dressing Areas

- Depending on the Nationals location each year premium/private dressing areas may be available for a fee.

Nationals Spectator Fees and Comps

- Spectator fees will be as follows:

Friday only (if applicable)- \$10 Adults / \$5 Senior Citizens/ Children are free

Saturday only- \$15 Adults / \$10 Senior Citizens / \$5 Children (ages 5-12) / Under 5 Free

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