



OASSA State of Ohio Cheerleading and Dance Championships

COACHES INFORMATION (ARRIVAL/EVENT DETAILS) 2019 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS – SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019 for All Dance and Non-Tumbling Cheer Categories (Dublin Jerome High School)

Feb. 22, 2019

Dear Coaches:

Congratulations on qualifying for the OASSA State of Ohio Cheer and Dance Championships! **Day One of the State Championships event (Dance and Non-Tumbling cheer categories) will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at Dublin Jerome High School.** Please read all information thoroughly in order to avoid confusion.

- ✓ Admission Fee
- ✓ Parking Info/Map/directions to Dublin Jerome High School
- ✓ General Information for the Dance and Non-Tumbling cheer competition on March 2, 2019.

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULES ARE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE AND UPDATED DAILY, AS NEEDED, AT:

<http://www.oassa.org/state-championships> Each team will have a scheduled warm-up time. **Please do not call the OASSA office for times.** As changes are made they will be posted on the website —please check after 4:00pm each day for updates. **A FINAL WARMUP & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE WILL BE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE BY 4:00PM ON FRIDAY, MARCH 1.**

TEAM ENTRANCE/CHECK-IN: (Dublin Jerome’s “Bus and Team Drop-Off” area – entrance off of Hyland-Croy Road) **Follow the signs marked BUS/TEAM DROP-OFF.** Buses should then park at Glacier Ridge Elementary north on Hyland-Croy Road (shuttle bus available back to high school); passenger vehicles will need to return to the front lots to park after dropping team members. (see “Parking” below.) At check-in, each coach will receive a packet of information. Only participants/team members and coaches listed on the Team Roster will be permitted to enter through the team entrance (*exception – bus drivers will be admitted through Team Entrance at no charge, upon request*). Parents/family members are not permitted to enter through the Team Entrance or enter the Warm-Up area; **please advise them of this rule.**

THE “TEAM ENTRANCE” DOOR AT DUBLIN JEROME HS (DJHS) WILL OPEN AT 7:30 AM. Participants should plan to arrive no later than 30 minutes before first warm-up time (see schedule). Teams will warm up in the Auxiliary Gym and perform in the adjoining Main Gym (indoor access). Order of competition:

- **SESSION ONE** WILL INCLUDE THE JAZZ DIVISION, FOLLOWED BY AWARDS.
- **SESSION TWO** WILL INCLUDE THE POM DIVISION FOLLOWED BY AWARDS.
- **SESSION THREE** WILL INCLUDE THE HIP-HOP DIVISION, FOLLOWED BY AWARDS.
- **SESSION FOUR** WILL INCLUDE NON-TUMBLING CHEER CATEGORY, FOLLOWED BY AWARDS.

NO COACHES MEETING: Due to staggered arrival of teams, there is no official coaches’ meeting before each session. You will receive a packet of information and any updated schedule upon check-in at the Team Entrance. On-site questions may be directed to Lenee’ Lagnese, the OASSA State Championships event director.

SPECTATOR DOORS WILL OPEN APPROXIMATELY 7:45AM; TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE AT 8:00AM. Please be sure to pass that information to parents to avoid any unnecessary confusion. We don’t want to disappoint parents who are trying to get into the gym earlier than that time, but we will not be able to grant access prior to the stated entry time.

UNIFORMS/EQUIPMENT:

Each team is responsible for its own equipment and clothing. We are not responsible for any articles left unattended at Dublin Jerome HS.

CONCESSIONS:

For your convenience there will be concession stands available in the commons area at DJHS.

SCORE SHEETS:

Coaches may pick up score sheets and final tabulation sheets at the conclusion of the competition. ALL DECISIONS RENDERED BY THE JUDGES CONCERNING SCORES AND RULES INTERPRETATION ARE FINAL. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS!**

PERFORMANCE FLOOR and WARMUP FLOOR:

Dance teams will WARM UP and PERFORM on gym floors. For Non-Tumbling Cheer Teams, blue gymnastic/cheerleading mats will be used for both WARMUPS and PERFORMANCE FLOOR. The competition floor will be a total of 9 strips. The warm-up floor will have 9 strips. There will be NO penalty given for going off the mats.

MUSIC:

You are responsible for providing a representative to start and stop your squad's music. WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE STARTING/STOPPING OF THE MUSIC. WE RECOMMEND BRINGING MORE THAN ONE COPY OF YOUR MUSIC TO BE PLAYED. We can accommodate i-pods, phones, etc.

WAIVERS & TERMS OF AGREEMENT/MUSIC COPYRIGHTS CERTIFICATION:

Release/Waiver forms must be on-file for all participants and coaches in attendance at the State Championships. **No need to resubmit documents: Your signed 2019 Terms of Agreement/Music Certification and all Coach and Participant Release/Waiver forms which you turned in at your Regional Qualifier event will be transferred by OASSA to the State Championships Check-In Table (located at the Team Entrance at DJHS).** EXCEPTION: DO bring new signed Release/Waiver forms ONLY for any Coach/Participant/Alternate attending the State Championships who did NOT attend your Regional Qualifier event and turn one in there. (NOTE: If your Terms Document was unsigned by your administration due to school closures the week of Jan. 28, BRING a new fully signed copy with you. If you need copies, see Doc. # 6, 7 or 8 at: <http://www.oassa.org/forms-information>)

INSURANCE:

Coaches will have the responsibility of documenting medical/liability insurance coverage for each one of their competitors, AND MUST HAVE DOCUMENTATION FOR THIS WITH THEM AT ALL TIMES DURING THE COMPETITION.

SEATING FOR SPECTATORS--IMPORTANT:

We will be using one (1) panel of judges. The judges' panel will be seated on the same side of the gym; therefore, the order of competition will be posted all together.

Please note: We will offer a designated "Family/Friends seating area" at DJHS from which to view your team's performance on the floor. Please note no food or beverages are permitted in the main gym, so please plan accordingly. No signage may be used in the Family/Friends seating area.

SPECTATOR TICKET PRICES (INCLUDING 2-DAY EVENT TICKETS) – CASH ONLY at event or PRE-PURCHASE option!

Tickets will be sold at the door for CASH ONLY. Or, save time and avoid the lines by buying your tickets online prior to arriving (*a convenience fee will apply to online sales*). Visit the Ticket Roar site at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-oassa-state-cheer-dance-championships-tickets-52821772343>

Special two-day spectator pricing available for those also attending Sunday's, March 10th Championships event at OSU (for Cheer Div. I-VI Building and Non-Building):

****Ticket prices (all prices are before convenience fee, if using Ticket Roar pre-purchase option):**

--ADULTS \$10 for Saturday (Saturday-Sunday ticket \$15)

--STUDENTS AND SR. CITIZENS (60 and older) \$5 for Saturday (Saturday-Sunday ticket \$8)

--Children 6 and under will be admitted free.

Spectators will be permitted to enter the Main Gym area 30 minutes prior to the start of Session One competition (8:00am).

PARKING:

Full-size buses delivering teams MUST park at Glacier Ridge Elementary (shuttle bus available to/from HS).

Spectators/Passenger vehicles – Spectators should park on the Brand Road side of the building. Coming from the south or Post Road, go right at the roundabout to reach that parking lot. Overflow parking is available at Glacier Ridge Elementary and shuttles are available to transport to/from the high school. Passenger vehicles may drop-off participants at the Hyland-Croy entrance. For directions/map, please view the Dublin Jerome HS Map/Directions info (Document #10 posted on our STATES “Forms/Info” webpage) here: <http://www.oassa.org/forms-information>

T-SHIRTS:

State Championships shirts make a great memento! Be proud of qualifying for the State Championships and wear your shirts to school as a team! THE NAMES OF EACH SCHOOL THAT QUALIFIED FOR THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS ARE LISTED ON THE BACK! Shirts can be purchased at the Championships for \$20 (cash or credit/debit card). We highly suggest coaches of state-qualified teams place an “Advance Purchase” order for the team; orders accepted through noon Thursday, February 28. Orders will be filled and available for pick-up by team designee the day of the event (*ask at T-shirt sales table*). See OASSA website for pre-orders and payment instructions (Doc. #11): <http://www.oassa.org/forms-information>

PROGRAMS:

2019 State Championships Programs will be available for \$5.00 (CASH ONLY) and will list schedules, names of competitors, and photos of teams. (*Team information and photos will appear as submitted by coaches*).

ROSES: Individually-wrapped, **SINGLE-STEM ROSES** (in assorted colors w/water vial) available for purchase at the event for \$3.00 per stem or 2 for \$5.00 (CASH ONLY). First come, first-served while supplies last. Tell your friends/family members!

VIDEO/PHOTOS:

Video and photo services will be provided on-site at the event by Lockwood Media; see OASSA website to view their ad and list of services: <http://www.oassa.org/state-championships>

AWARDS:

A champion trophy will be awarded to the first place team in each division. In addition, each member of the championship team will receive an individual award. Trophies will be awarded in each division for all placements in accordance with the number of teams in each division. A team photo will be taken in front of the OASSA Championship banner. The team photo will be emailed to each winning coach later that week.

RULES:

Please be sure to double-check the Cheer rules (*and visit the NFHS and/or AACCA links*), or Dance rules (refer to “Dance Rules” section of OASSA 2019 Rules and Regulations Doc. # 4), as applies to your team. We worked diligently to make sure that any potentially-illegal moves were pointed out at our regional events, but we are **NOT** responsible for penalties given during the State Championships. It is your responsibility to follow the rules. **The OASSA event RULES AND REGULATIONS and cheer rules links can be found on the OASSA Cheer and Dance “Forms and Info” webpage at:** <http://www.oassa.org/forms-information>

GETTING THE WORD OUT:

We hope that you and your squad/team will publicize this event in your school and community and that you will have an enthusiastic following. It is an impressive accomplishment to qualify for the State Cheerleading and Dance Championships and is something of which your school and community should be proud! Please share our 2019 “**Parents Letter**” with your families (Doc. # 12 on the “Forms and Info” webpage) at: <http://www.oassa.org/forms-information>

Social Media:

Follow us on the following social media sites for the latest OASSA Cheer & Dance event/Cheer Ohio summer camp information:

Twitter: @ohioprincipals

Facebook: OASSA Cheer & Dance

Instagram: oassaspirit1

Share your competition photos with us! Use the following hashtag #oh19roadtostates

QUESTIONS:

For questions regarding registration or payments, contact OASSA Cheerleading Coordinator Jeri Dill at 614-430-8311 or <JDill@oassa.org>. For questions regarding schedules, performance or other technical aspects of your program or competition, contact OASSA Cheer/Dance Consultant Lenee’ Lagnese at <lenee@oassa.org>.

Thank you for supporting the OASSA State of Ohio Cheerleading and Dance Championships. Best of luck to you and your squad/team!

Sincerely,

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The OASSA Staff