2020-2021 IDTA Virtual Competition Season Guidelines



IDTA Membership Fees

The cost of membership is \$50.00 per team for the 2020-2021 season. Membership is due by February 20, 2021.

Contest Entry Fees

- Contest entry fee is \$50.00 for up to two routines; each additional routine will be \$10.00.
- Soloist entry fee is \$20.00.

State Finals Entry Fees

- Entry fee is \$50.00 for each routine.
- Soloist entry fee is \$25.00.

Registration Procedures

- Contest registrations will go to President Michelle Deets.
- State contest registrations will go to Katina Clodfelder.
- Teams/Soloists will register for a date/category(s) and will compete against teams throughout the state rather than just their region. Teams and soloists will be able to qualify for the State competition. The number of soloist entries will be increased based on demand seniors only and 2 per team per contest. The registration forms are available at Contest Entry Forms | idta
- Coaches will receive a confirmation email of their registration that includes the link to submit your videos.
- Teams must also be music compliant in order to compete. The music compliance forms must be received by Michelle Deets by the Wednesday prior to the first competition a team is competing at.

 Music Compliance Information

Video Submission Procedures

Coaches will submit videos through a google form that will be sent to you after you register for a contest date. The video must be submitted by midnight the Wednesday prior to the contest attending.

- Competitors are **not limited** to the use of their school gyms.
- Filming should be on an IPhone, IPAD, or basic camera no professional cameras or operators can be used.
- Use full house lighting.
- Camera should be HORIZONTAL.
- Fans/spectators cannot be present during the recording.
- Filming should **not** include an entrance or exit.
- Team Performances
 - The camera should be elevated from center court and all performers must be seen throughout the performance so all formations can be visible to the judges.

- Soloist Performances
 - The camera should be floor level at center and the performer must be seen throughout the performance. Do not zoom in, though. Just move the camera side to side to capture the performer, if needed.
- Label video as follows:
 - Soloist: Contestant Name School Dance or Flag
 - For example: Susie Spinner USA HS Solo Dance
 - Team: School Division Category
 - For example: USA HS AA Jazz
- The routine will be scored from the first beat of the music or first movement. (*make sure music is loud enough for camera to pick-up*)
- Videos should not be cut or altered in any way. Teams may put their audio file over the video, but they may NOT edit their video in any other way. Any editing with more than one video of the competition routine compiled together will be disqualified. Entries must be one video from start to finish. (just hit record and stop)
- The video submission form that coaches will receive after registration is for only 1 routine. Coaches will have to submit a separate form for each routine.
 - If you are entering the same routine in both the IDTA and IHSA categories, the same video may be used.
- Youtube link is preferable. Follow this link for tips to uploading your recordings using Youtube <u>Tips for Uploading Recording to YouTube</u>
- Coaches will receive a confirmation email of your video submission(s).

All contest videos from each Saturday will be broadcast the day of the contest at www.idta.org, after routines have been judged. There will be a LIVE announcement of the winners!

Contest Schedule

Please check the IDTA website for the most up-to-date contest information.

2020-2021 Dance/Flag Covid-19 Rule Requirements

- Athlete to athlete contact **will not** be allowed.
- Lifts, Stunts and Partner Stunts <u>will not</u> be allowed. (NFHS Rules 4-2 through 4-7)
- Masks must be worn during all performances (teams and soloists).
- Participants should be appropriately spaced on the floor to ensure proper social distancing, 6-ft apart.
- If poms/flags/equipment are used, they **cannot** be shared among athletes.
- If a video is in violation of these rules, the video will be disqualified and no refund will be given.

Judging Virtually

- The order of performance will be determined by a random draw.
- The contest schedule and time of video broadcast will be shared Friday prior to the contest.
- The judges will be judging the routines still based on divisions and categories.
- Judges will view a routine only once and will be providing verbal evaluations. Coaches will receive the verbal evaluation, scoresheet, and master tabulation sheet following the Awards Ceremony.
- No Rising Stars will be selected.
- No trophies will be awarded.

Qualification for State Finals

- All qualification rules will still apply, even though we are virtual.
- Teams must be a member by February 20 in order to qualify for State. Teams may accept State qualification pending receipt of membership.
- The qualification scores for JH teams have been dropped from 70% to 65%, for JV teams from 75% to 70% and for Varsity teams from 80% to 75%. The qualification score of 80% for soloists has not changed.
- If a team receives a qualifying score, the coach has 72 hours to inform Contest Coordinator Katina Clodfelder of acceptance and send payment postmarked within 14 days of qualification.
- The Senior 1st place winners from Start the Beat earned an automatic qualification for the Preliminary Round for Miss/Mr. IDTA 2021.

State Finals

- Medals and trophies WILL be awarded to our 1st-3rd place winners!
- State merchandise will be offered and available for purchase!
- A DVD of all State performances will also be available for purchase!

IDTA Virtual Store

• IDTA is offering an IDTA clothing webstore through our sponsor Casual Tees. The link to the store can be found at idta.org on the Home Page.

IDTA Special Events

- The Junior High and High School Scholar Athletes recognition program will still be offered. Students will be recognized for their accomplishments and certificates will be awarded. The applications are available at idta.org under the Special Events tab.
- IDTA sponsored scholarships will also be offered this year. The application is also available at idta.org under the Special Events tab. The winners will be announced during our State Finals broadcast.

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