

## *LOUISIANA STATE DANCE/DRILL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP*

Welcome to the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Louisiana State Dance/Drill Team Championship. We are honored and excited that you have chosen an American All-Star competition to showcase your team's talents.

Enclosed you will find general competition information, rules and regulations, competition divisions and categories, competition payments, team registration, and small group registration. Please note that registration deadlines are: NOVEMBER 18<sup>th</sup> for team competition & DECEMBER 9<sup>th</sup> for small group competition. For your convenience, the entire competition packet is on our new website and available for you to download at any time.

This year we have new additions to our competition as well as revisions of previous materials and procedures. Please read the enclosed information carefully. All new information will be designated with a double \*\*. If you have any questions or need clarification on any items please call.

We are very excited about the changes and look forward to a new, revitalized, competitive, and most importantly, fun event for the performers as well as the audience. Good luck in your preparations and we hope to see you in Lafayette.

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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## COMPETITION FACILITIES:

The 2012 Louisiana State Dance/Drill Team Championship will be held Saturday, January 14, 2012 and Sunday, January 15, 2012 at the Cajun Dome and Convention Center in Lafayette, Louisiana. Solo, Duet, Ensemble, Officer, and Scholarship competitions will be held on Saturday in the Convention Center. Solo Finals and Team Competition will be held on Sunday in the Cajun Dome.

## PERFORMANCE TIMES:

Performances are scheduled by category and division. Performance times are determined by order of registration received. Registrations received first will go to the bottom of the performance order and so on. A tentative schedule will be posted at [www.americanallstar.com](http://www.americanallstar.com) approximately four days prior to the competition weekend.

## LODGING:

American All-Star has negotiated discounted hotel rates with several hotels in the Lafayette area (see enclosed listing). Please mention the 2012 Louisiana State Competition when making reservations. Space is limited.

## VIDEOTAPING:

By registering for this event, all competition participants give their permission for any photographs of them to be used in the promotion of the 2012 Louisiana State Dance/Drill Competition and American All-Star, LLC. Additionally, participants agree to appear in videotaped or televised broadcasts in connection with American All-Star promotional campaigns.

## VIDEO CAMERAS:

### **NOTE: THIS POLICY WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED**

No video cameras will be allowed through the main entrance of the Cajun Dome. The team director must check in one camera per team upon registration Sunday morning. At registration, you will be given a lanyard to identify your team. When your team moves to the floor, ONE person wearing the lanyard will be allowed to sit in a reserved section in the first row of the BALCONY seating. This person must exit the area immediately after their team's performance. Any team violating this rule will be subject to disqualification.

## CONTACT INFORMATION:

American All-Star, LLC  
PO Box 2096  
Mandeville, Louisiana 70470  
(985) 951-8600 / 1-866-766-STAR / Fax (985) 951-8699  
[kristen@americanallstar.com](mailto:kristen@americanallstar.com)

# ***RULES AND REGULATIONS***

## **(\*\*) TIME LIMITS:**

**Solos, duets, ensemble, officer routines:** Routines must be 2 MINUTES or less.

Entrances and exits are not included in this time nor are they judged. Routine time begins and ends with the music. There is a 10 second grace period before a penalty is applied.

**Team routines:** All routines regardless of division or category must be 2:30 minutes or less. Entrances and exits are not included in this time nor are they judged. Routine time begins and ends with the music. There is a 10 second grace period before a penalty is applied.

## **(\*\*) MUSIC:**

A Music Adjudicator will be available at the sound booth at all times throughout the competition.

### **NEW FOR 2012:**

We are beginning a new music process. Teams will submit songs electronically prior to the event so all music can be played from a computer. You will receive final details on this process after registration.

## **MUSIC GUIDELINES**

**Due to the new process, all songs must be professionally edited or high quality.**

\*Backup music must be an original or first generation copy recorded on a high quality compact disc.

\*Each routine must have its own backup CD with no other music recorded on the CD.

## **STUNTS**

Partner stunts and lifts are limited to two persons high, and the dancer being lifted must always have contact with the base person. Back handsprings, flips, aerials, or any skills that require the dancer to be fully airborne are not allowed. ***Using any disallowed stunt or skill in a routine will result in the immediate disqualification of the routine.*** You may call our office to verify any skills or stunts.

## **COMPETITION FOOTWEAR**

Footwear for the competition is limited to non-marking dance or jazz shoes. This requirement is set forth by Cajun Dome officials. If you have any questions please contact American All-Star, (985) 951-8600 or [kristen@americanallstar.com](mailto:kristen@americanallstar.com).

## FEE SCHEDULE AND PAYMENT SUMMARY SHEET

<b>TEAM REGISTRATION FEE</b> Allows team to enter all categories Team awards based on cumulative of two routines Deadline for registration without penalty, <u>November 18</u>	400.00
<b>SOLO REGISTRATION FEE</b> Fee is per solo entered Deadline for registration without penalty, Dec. 9	75.00
<b>DUET REGISTRATION FEE</b> Fee is per duet entered Up to six duets per team Deadline for registration without penalty, Dec. 9	100.00
<b>ENSEMBLE REGISTRATION FEE</b> Fee is per ensemble entered Up to six ensembles per team Deadline for registration without penalty, Dec. 9	100.00
<b>OFFICER REGISTRATION FEE</b> Only one officer line per team Deadline for registration without penalty, Dec. 9	100.00
<b>GENERAL ADMISSION PASS</b> (Please see attached information on Pre-Ordered Passes) Includes facility and parking fee Includes both days of competition; cannot sell per day tickets	22.00

### LATE FEES FOR REGISTRATIONS AND CHANGES

Late fee for all registrations received after DECEMBER 19 Check deadlines above, team registration and small group registrations are different	150.00
Late fee for all changes All changes must in writing and brought to the attention of Kristen Rapp No changes after Friday, December 30	25.00

### HOW TO REGISTER:

#### **Team Registration**

Complete Team Registration form  
 Attach applicable fee (\$400.00)  
 Complete Competition Agreement  
 Send to: American All-Star  
 P.O. Box 2096  
 Mandeville, La. 70470  
 1-985-951-8600/1-866-766-STAR

#### **Solo, Duet, Ensemble, Officer Registration**

Complete Small Group Registration form  
 Attach Applicable fee (refer to Fees listed above)  
 Send to: American All-Star  
 P.O. Box 2096  
 Mandeville, La. 70470  
 1-985-951-8600/1-866-766-STAR

Remember that you can send the Team Registration form/fees in separate from the Solo, Duet, Ens, and Officer Registration for team performance order.  
 Download applicable forms and competition packet from [www.americanallstar.com](http://www.americanallstar.com)

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## TEAM REGISTRATION

May be submitted separately from the small group registration  
Deadline without penalty, November 18

SCHOOL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CAPTAIN NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CAPTAIN MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

CAPTAIN EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ High School Novice (teams that have not competed in 6 years, can only stay in this division 2 years)

\_\_\_\_\_ High School Division I ( 5-12 performing members)

\_\_\_\_\_ High School Division II ( 13 - 22 performing members)

\_\_\_\_\_ High School Division III (23 or more performing members)

\_\_\_\_\_ Junior High Division I (Avg grade level of 4 - 7)

\_\_\_\_\_ Junior High Division II (Avg grade level of 7 - 9) with 5 - 13 performing members

\_\_\_\_\_ Junior High Division III (Avg grade level of 7 - 9) with 14 or more performing members

*\*Your team division must be consistent in every category. You may change your number of performing team members in each routines as long as the number of performing team members remains within the guidelines listed above.*

Circle the categories entering, you may enter as many as you like:

JAZZ

KICK

HIP HOP

POM PON

PROP/NOVELTY

AUXILIARY

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## TEAM REGISTRATION FEE

\$400.00

To complete the team registration process:

- Read all information, rules, and regulations of team competition
- Review the fee schedule for deadlines and payments
- Make a note of late fees and change fees
- Complete the team registration form in its entirety
- Attach the \$400.00 registration fee to the registration form
- Remember that small group registrations are due at a later date
- Review the “performance times” in the general information
- Mail the team registration form and fees to:

American All-Star  
Louisiana State Dance/Drill Championship  
Team Registration  
P.O. Box 2096  
Mandeville, Louisiana, 70470

For more information call:  
985-951-8600 / 1-866-766-STAR / fax 985-951-8699

To download additional forms go to:  
[www.americanallstar.com](http://www.americanallstar.com)

# 2012 Louisiana State Dance/Drill Team Championship

## **SMALL GROUP REGISTRATION**

May be submitted separate from the team registration  
Deadline without penalty, December 9<sup>th</sup>

SCHOOL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION: (Please circle)      High School                      Junior High School

### OFFICER REGISTRATION:

Each officer line must have a minimum of three and maximum of ten performing members  
Officer fee is \$100.00 per officer line


### ENSEMBLE REGISTRATION:

Each Ensemble is comprised of three (3) to ten (10) members. **\*\*Each team member may perform in a maximum of three (3) ensembles.**  
Ensemble fee is \$100.00 per ensemble group. Attach an additional sheet if more than four ensembles

ENSEMBLE #1	ENSEMBLE #2	ENSEMBLE #3	ENSEMBLE #4

TOTAL NUMBER OF ENSEMBLES PERFORMING: \_\_\_\_\_

**DUET REGISTRATION:** A maximum of six duets may compete from each dance team. **\*\*Each team member may perform in a maximum of three (3) duets.** Duet fee is \$100.00 per duet

Duet #1	Duet #2
Duet #3	Duet #4
Duet #5	Duet #6

TOTAL NUMBER OF DUETS PERFORMING: \_\_\_\_\_

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## SOLO REGISTRATION

May be submitted separately from the team registration  
Deadline without penalty, December 9<sup>th</sup>

### SOLO REGISTRATION:

Solo fee is \$75.00 per solo entry

Complete the information below for each soloist

Attach additional sheets if necessary

Solo Divisions: Junior High, grades 6,7,8

High School, Jr. Division, grades 9,10

High School, Sr. Division, grades 11,12

#### SOLOIST #1

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Division Entering: \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. High School (6-8) \_\_\_\_\_ High School Jr. Div (9-10) \_\_\_\_\_ High School SR. Division (11-12)

#### SOLOIST #2

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Division Entering: \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. High School (6-8) \_\_\_\_\_ High School Jr. Div (9-10) \_\_\_\_\_ High School SR. Division (11-12)

#### SOLOIST #3

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Division Entering: \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. High School (6-8) \_\_\_\_\_ High School Jr. Div (9-10) \_\_\_\_\_ High School SR. Division (11-12)

To Complete the Small Group Registration process:

\*Read all information, rules, and regulations of small group competition

\*Review the fee schedule for deadlines and payments

\*Make a note of late fees and change fees

\*Attach all applicable fees to the registration form

\*Mail the registration form and fees to:

American All-Star  
Louisiana State Dance/Drill Team Championship  
Small Group Registration  
P.O. Box 2096  
Mandeville, Louisiana, 70470

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## COMPETITION DIVISIONS

### HIGH SCHOOL TEAM COMPETITION

High School Dance Teams may compete in the following categories: High Kick, Jazz, Prop/Novelty, Pom Pon, and Hip Hop. A team may enter all five categories. The top two cumulative scores will be used in calculating the sweepstakes awards. High School Teams will be divided into the following divisions based on team size:

- Novice: High School teams who have not competed with any company in the last 6 years. Novice 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners must move to a division next year. No team can stay in the novice division for more than 2 years. Novice teams are eligible for division awards only.
- Division I: High School Teams with 5 – 12 Performing Members
- Division II: High School Teams with 13 – 22 Performing Members
- Division III: High School Teams with 23 or more Performing Members

Your team division must be consistent in every category. The number of performing members in each dance must fall within the division you are registered in. American All-Star reserves the right to adjust the number of required performers in each category.

### JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TEAM COMPETITION

Junior High and Middle School Dance Teams may compete in the following categories: High Kick, Jazz, Prop/Novelty, Pom Pon, and Hip Hop. A team may enter all five categories. Junior High Teams will be divided into the following divisions based on the grade levels of the team members.

- Division I: Junior High/Middle School Teams with team members with average grade of 4 thru 7
- Division II: Junior High Teams with member with average grade level of 7 thru 9 with 5-13 performing members
- Division III: Junior High Teams with members with average grade level of 7 thru 9 with 14 or more performing members

The number of performing members in each dance must fall within the division you are registered in. American All-Star reserves the right to adjust the number of required performers in each category.

### AUXILIARY COMPETITION

Flag Teams must be comprised of no fewer than three members. Teams may use tall flags, swing flags, rifles, or any combination. Any number of standard styes of baton may be used. Hoop batons may be used. Knives, fire, and other feature twirling equipment may not be used.

### OFFICER COMPETITION

Officer Lines should be comprised of three to ten officers. Only one officer line per team. Officers may perform any style routine.

### SOLO COMPETITION

Soloists may perform any style of routine they choose. There is no limit on soloists from each team. Soloists are divided into the following divisions:

- Jr. High School, grades 6,7,8
- High School, Jr. Division, grades 9-10
- High School, Sr. Division, grades 11-12

The top three Jr. High School, High School Jr. Division, and High School Sr. Division will compete in a final round of competition on Sunday, January 16. The finalists will be announced Saturday, January 15 at the conclusion of the day's competition. First, Second and Third place trophies will be awarded to the top three finalists from the Jr. High School Division. First, Second and Third place trophies, along with cash prizes, will be awarded to the top three finalists from the High School Jr. Division and the High School Sr. Division.

CASH PRIZES ARE: High School Senior Division: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$500.00 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$250.00 3rdPlace: \$100.00  
High School Junior Division: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$500.00 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$250.00 3rdPlace: \$100.00

### DUET COMPETITION

A duet is comprised of two team members. Duets may perform any style routine. A maximum of six duets may enter from one team. \*\*Each team member may perform in a maximum of three (3) duets.

### ENSEMBLE COMPETITION

An ensemble is comprised of three to ten performers. A maximum of six ensembles may be entered from one team. Ensembles may perform any style routine. \*\*Each team member may perform in a maximum of three (3) ensembles.

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## LETTER OF AGREEMENT

Any situation requiring interpretation of rules or a decision involving any aspect of the competition on Saturday, January 14 and Sunday, January 15 shall be considered by the Rules Committee – which will consist of: the Event Coordinator, the Assistant Event Coordinator, the Head Judge, as well as any individual designated by the Event Coordinator. This committee will render a judgment in an effort to insure that the competition proceeds in a manner as equitable as possible to all teams and consistent with the spirit of the rules of this competition. All teams agree to accept any and all decisions rendered by the Rules Committee.

By signing this agreement the Director/Sponsor and performers of each team, officer line, ensemble, duet, and solo agree that they have read and will comply with the rules and regulations governing this competition. They also agree to accept the final decisions regarding all decisions and awards as presented during the awards ceremony.

American All-Star, LLC is proud to offer a fair and competitive event in which to showcase your team's talent. We pledge to maintain a high standard of team spirit, sportsmanship, and fairness in all aspects of the Louisiana State Dance/Drill Team Championship.

Director Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Event Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# 2012 Louisiana State Dance/Drill Team Championship

January 14-15, 2012

Lafayette, LA

## ***Pre-purchased Competition Ticket Form***

If you want to avoid waiting in line at Louisiana State Competition, and get the pre-ordered ticket price, this is for you!

\*Director's: please copy and distribute to your dancers' parents.\*

- All ticket order forms and payments (check or money order) must be received by Monday, January 2, 2012 to be processed and mailed to the team director.
- Orders received after January 2<sup>nd</sup> will be placed in Will Call to be picked up beginning Saturday morning.
- You can also purchase tickets in JANUARY from 11 am – 2 pm from the American All-Star office, located at 100 Mariner's Blvd, Ste 3, Mandeville, La, 70448. Bring in this completed form along with payment.
- MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: American All-Star, LLC, and include your name on the memo line.
- Your director will receive pre-purchased tickets in the mail prior to competition.
- **Due to an increased facility cost, tickets at the door will be sold for \$22.00.**

Name of Person Purchasing the Additional Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_

Dancer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

***Return payment to:***

American All-Star  
P. O. Box 2096  
Mandeville, LA 70470

### ***LOUISIANA STATE DANCE/DRILL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP***

### **Competition Entrance Ticket**

Ticket includes admission to competition on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

Number of Additional Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ at \$18.00 each

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE = \$ \_\_\_\_\_