

REGION QUALIFIER AND CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION INFO 2011

All updated event info will be posted daily on the website. Teams are encouraged to check this site daily for updates.

******All teams advancing to the Qualifiers MUST provide an ID card to be verified upon check-in at each Qualifier******

******No coaches or student demonstrators will be permitted to wear any Disney related articles of clothing to any of the qualifiers. This is to defer the thoughts of Disney or Mickey Mouse during the early part of the competition******

Coaches must register their own teams, Coordinators may assist but the contact info must be the Head Coaches info. The Competition entrance fee is \$350 per team and only done thru the League Coordinator via a League Check. Teams advancing from the Qualifiers will not incur any additional Team fees.

Team Advancement into Qualifiers

Some Leagues that do not have enough teams to warrant a League Competition may default to the Qualifier Competitions. The following is the standard in place for 2011 for League Advancement to the Qualifiers unless pre-approved by the Region.

1 or 2 teams only: all may advance per League rules

3 teams: First advances and 2nd and/or 3rd may advance with the permission of the Region dependent of the overall team scores.

4 teams: The top two advance, 3rd and/or 4th may advance with the permission of the Region dependent of the overall team scores.

5 thru 7: 3 advance.

8 or more: 4 advance.

However, all Novice & Intermediate teams advancing in the Cheer Division to the Regionals MUST have performed at the Qualifiers. All Advanced Division teams default directly to the Regional Championships in November, however they must attend the local area qualifier to be judged and scored.

Competition Dates with the Order of Performance schedule will be posted on the web as follows:

All Schedules will be posted as shown on the website

Monday, Oct 17th @ 6PM

South Qualifier - Saturday October 22 (830am)

Philadelphia, PA (Liacouras Center)

North Qualifier - Sunday October 23 (830am)

Utica, NY (Utica Aud)

Monday, Oct 24th @ 6PM

Metro Qualifier – Saturday October 29 (830am)

Trenton, NJ (Sun National Bank Arena)

Central Qualifier – Sunday October 30 (830am)

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Admission to the **Qualifiers** is \$20 per person via advance Region sales and \$25 per person at the door. The Region will only make tickets available thru the League President/Cheer Coordinator for each league for the Qualifiers. Tickets may be available at the door depending on availability.

Coaches Wristbands

Head Coaches will receive up to (10) bracelets for each rostered coach/High School Demo from their League/Conference President or Coordinator per team entered for the Qualifiers. These will be worn on the coaches of the respective teams. Any additional coaches will be required to have an admission ticket in order to enter the arena for the Qualifiers. No one will be allowed to accompany the team to the performance area without a coach's wristband.

Region Championships @ Sun National Bank Arena

Team Advancement into Championships

The following is the standard in place for 2011 for Advancement to the Championships.

1 or 2 teams in one Division

Both will advance

3 or 4 teams in one Division

At least 2 will advance

5 or more teams in one Division

Top "3" will advance, there will be no exceptions.

Awards will be done at the conclusion of each day's session, twice a day for Cheer. Only those teams advancing to the National Championships will be brought down to the floor once their names are announced. We will be only announcing the Top "2" teams for each division.

Friday, Nov 11th - Region Dance Championships (830pm)

*****All Dance teams will be competing here as there is no need to qualify*****

**Saturday, Nov 12th - Region Jr Pee Wee & Jr Midget
Cheer Championships (830am)**

**Sunday, Nov 13th - Region Pee Wee & Midget Cheer Championships
(830am)**

Advance sale tickets for the **Region Championships** will be sold by the Region on the day of the Qualifiers only for \$30. Tickets will be \$35 after that and at the door on the day of the Championships. For the Championships, wristbands will be given out at the coaches meeting at the Qualifiers for each rostered position as stated above.

The Competition schedule program will be distributed to all paid admissions.

Coaches Wristbands

Score Sheets will be given to all League Coordinators or their designee at the conclusion of each competition to be distributed at a later time. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES shall any scoresheets be given to any teams while the teams are still in the arena.

Competition Info

The Competitions will employ qualified judges from only nationally endorsed cheer/dance associations. The rules that will govern these competitions will be the current rulebook and other information available from National Pop Warner. There will be a Head Judge who will oversee each judging panel but will not be a scoring judge for either panel. The scoring judges will be seated together as a

panel in an alternating forum per division. For the qualifiers and Championship's, 2 sets of (3) cheer scoring panel judges will be used. There will also be (1) point deduction judge and (1) verbal judge per panel. There will also be (2) legalities judges for each panel with the PW video review panel. We will be using judges from NCA, Cheer Ltd. & Metropolitan Judging Associations from all areas of the Region for each event.

The Competition floor area will be at a 42 foot by 54 foot smooth non slip padded surface (cheer mats) with a center mark or line, visible to all performers. An area that is located behind the competition area will also be available with a full size matted area for warm up only as to not interfere with the competition. This year there will be spotters in the warm up area. There is a separate stretching and warm up area prior to the warm up area.

Small, Medium & Large Competition: The Small division shall not have more than 12 members, and the Medium division shall not more than 24 members and the Large division shall not have more than 35 members, on all levels of play. In addition, there are the Novice, Intermediate and Advanced Divisions of competition.

Each Cheerleader and Coach who advances to the Championships will receive the 2011 Region Championship participant pin. The Championship team (participants and coaches) for each Division will receive a Gold Medal. In the unlikely event that a team that is mistakenly announced as a place winning team in any Region Cheer sponsored event, they will have all team and individual awards returned to the Region and given to the proper team.

National Championships in Disney

The top (2) overall scores from both the Small, Medium & Large divisions as well as each of the Competitive Divisions (Novice/Intermediate/Advanced), from that same performance, will advance onto the National Championships in each division.

Each Team that qualifies from Regionals and participates at the National Championships shall receive a stipend from the Region for use as reimbursement for travel for the **National Championships**. Book Checks will be done the weekend of Nov 20/21 as scheduled when notified. All teams who advance to the **National Championships in Disney** are required to have their official team roster in addition to all participant registration information available for inspection at Disney prior to warming up on their scheduled performance day.

National Championship Schedule-2011

Monday, December 5th - Jr Pee Wee Cheer
Tuesday, December 6th - Pee Wee Cheer
Wednesday, December 7th - Jr Midget Cheer
Thursday, December 8th - All Dance
Friday, December 9th - Midget Cheer