



The 2019 KSHSAA GAME DAY SPIRIT SHOWCASE COMPETITION is only a few weeks away and we are thrilled that you have decided to be a part of this year's event in Topeka! This is the final information packet you will receive before your arrival for the showcase. Please read all of the information carefully, and be sure to pass along to all admins, parents, spectators, bus drivers, and any other group members who will be attending the event. This will help ensure that everyone is informed as to all aspects of the event.

All KSHSAA competition information, rules & score sheets are located on the following website: <http://www.kshsaa.org/Public/Spirit/PDF/GameDayOverview.pdf>

Most of the questions you may have can be answered in this information.

Enclosed in this final packet you will find information regarding:

- Event Check-in
- General Policies and Forms
- Performance and Practice Areas
- Scores and Awards
- Maps and Extras

If you have any questions prior to the competition, you may also contact our Customer Service at 800.622.2946 x1249. Customer Service is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM CST.

For any changes in your registration, including the addition or reduction in numbers, please submit those changes in writing to your Registrations Director, Danielle Staley, at dstaley@varsity.com.

We look forward to seeing you and your team in Topeka!

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COACHES PACKET

2019 KSHSAA GAME DAY CHEERLEADING SHOWCASE

NOVEMBER 23, 2019

CHAMPIONSHIP LOCATION

Stormont Vail Event Center (*Landon Arena & Exhibit Hall*)
One Expocentre Drive
Topeka, KS 66612
785-235-EXPO

EVENT CHECK-IN

A representative from each team must check-in at the Event Information Area prior to your team's first performance. Registration will be located in **the lobby area of the Exhibit Hall (refer to map)** and will begin at 7:15 AM on November 23rd. All forms must be turned in prior to your first scheduled practice. Teams not turning these forms in will not be allowed to practice or compete. Coaches will also receive their credentials and most updated performance order.

- Participant Release Form
- Adult Release Form
- Proof of Music Licensing (no form)

PASS GATE

Participating school Superintendents, Principals, Athletic Directors and Activities Directors may pick up their wristbands at the Pass Gate table located next to check-in.

EVENT TICKET PRICES

Adult:	\$15.00
Students (K-12)	\$10.00
Pre-K and younger	FREE

EVENT PARKING

\$5 per car

Team Busses will be FREE

NEW!! 1A-4A TEAM EXIT

Teams will walk through the tunnel from Landon to the handicap entrance and be picked up on the ground floor. Please see Overview map.

STORMONT VAIL EVENT CENTER RULES AND REGULATIONS

- No Helium filled balloons or confetti is permitted in the facility.
- For security reasons all persons entering the facility will have their bags searched by security. Arrive early as there will be some delay in entering. This includes purses, cameras, camera bags, backpacks and equipment bags.
- No artificial noisemakers are allowed in the facility.
- No spirit props, balls, t-shirts or any other item may be thrown out to the crowd by spirit groups.
- All fans are to abide by Rule 52 and display good Sportsmanship.
- Fans must stay off the court after the conclusion of all sessions.
- No coolers or outside food or drink are allowed in the facility, except for participating squads may bring a cooler into the designated warm up area with healthy food and drink.
- Tickets must be purchased at the box office located on the northeast corner of the facility. Arrive early to avoid lines, bags will be checked.
- Shawnee County requires that all cars parking in the lots be assessed a \$5.00 parking fee which will be collected when you enter the lots.



SCHEDULE, PRACTICE AND MUSIC

PERFORMANCE ORDER

The most updated schedule link has been included on the KSHSAA website below.

<http://www.kshsaa.org/Public/Spirit/PDF/ShowcaseSchedule.pdf>

The performance order will be updated should any changes occur.

PERFORMANCE AREAS

All teams will compete on a 42' deep x 54' wide carpeted floor. Only soft-soled tennis shoes will be allowed on the performance surface

DRESSING ROOMS AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS

KSHSAA and Varsity accepts no responsibility for lost or stolen items. We recommend that each team designate someone to keep an eye on its possessions.

PRACTICE AREAS

Check-in time for practice is located on the right hand of your performance order. Your practice check-in time will be approximately 20 minutes prior to your performance time in the Landon Arena. The practice venue is located in the Exhibit Hall, same location as check-in. From the practice area, you will move to the "On Deck" area to prepare for your routine. If you miss your practice time, you are not guaranteed another opportunity to practice in the designated area. Only team members and Coaches may enter the practice area. **Family members and spectators will not be admitted to the practice area.** A high-quality sound system will be provided for teams with music on mp3 or CD. *We highly recommend having your music on an mp3 device and only use a CD as a back up to that device.*

PERFORMANCE MUSIC

All teams will either need to supply their music on an iPod / MP3 music player or a CD. **We recommend MP3 music players as this is in a digital format.**

iPod / MP3 MUSIC OPTION – You will be able to plug your iPod / MP3 player in directly to the sound system to play your routine music. You will be provided the necessary cables. Be sure to follow these steps below prior to your performance:

- ☐ Set up a playlist for each routine
- ☐ Turn OFF any equalizer, sound check, notifications, and/or volume limit
- ☐ Turn your volume up to 100%
- ☐ If using a phone, make sure it is in airplane mode to avoid incoming calls during performance

MUSIC PROOF OF LICENSING

- Teams must be able to provide proof of licensing, in the form of a printed copy, during registration at the event they are attending. This may include:
 - Proof of purchase from a preferred provider
 - If using a single song, receipt from purchase of single song
 - If using an editor, the editor does not have to be a preferred provider; however, they must be able to provide you with proof of purchase from a preferred provider and proof of licensing for all sound effects and voiceovers included in the mix
 - If using a non-commercial music provider, documentation that assigns all applicable rights to the team
- If a team does not have the required paperwork, they will be given the option to count the routine verbally or perform to an approved track of music or a track with counts (provided by Varsity Spirit).
- If a team does not have the required paperwork and chooses not to count the routine verbally or perform to the approved track of music or a track with counts, the team will be disqualified from the competition and not be allowed to perform.



SCORESHEETS, AWARDS & PHOTO

SCORE SHEETS

NEW!! Once your team has completed each preliminary performance one coach will stay at the judges' stand until they receive the deduction score sheet. This will take place following every performance with the exception of Finals.

Score sheets from the preliminary competition will be available after your division finalists are announced and may be picked up at Event Information located in the Exhibit Hall Lobby. Finals score sheets will be distributed following completion of the competition.

Only one coach per team should come to Event Information to pick up and sign for their team's score sheets. Rankings will be posted on the KSHSAA website following the event.

To view the event overview and score sheets, please click on the below link:

<http://www.kshsaa.org/Public/Spirit/PDF/GameDayOverview.pdf>

AWARDS

- ☐ Championship Team trophy, Runner-up Team trophy, 3rd Place Team trophy for each classification.
- ☐ Individual medals will be awarded by KSHSAA by division as per the maximum (one coach medal is provided): 1A & 2A=13 medals, 3A & 4A=21, 5A & 6A=31. Schools that would like to order and purchase additional medals may do so by contacting the KSHSAA.

NO TELEPHOTO/ZOOM LENSES ALLOWED

Because we take the safety and security of our participants seriously, our policy is to protect your privacy and that of all participants. Still cameras with telephoto or zoom lenses will not be allowed during performances by unauthorized personnel/officials.



JUDGES BIOS

NATALIE AYRES

Natalie Ayres is originally from Indiana. She moved to Oklahoma upon graduating high school and cheered at Oklahoma State University. Natalie was a part of the Small Coed and All girl teams at OSU and competed in STUNT as well. While in Oklahoma, she cheered on the Twist and Shout level six all girl team, Passion. She also spent a year cheering for Trinity Valley Community College in Athens, TX. Upon graduation, she went into teaching before finding her current home in the NCA office as the Northeast and West regional Staff Director.

KRYSTIN BLOOD

Krystin is from Oklahoma. She attended Oklahoma State University and was also a UCA Instructor for 8 years. Krystin has judged the KSHSAA Game Day Spirit Showcase and the OSSAA Game Day State Championship previously. She currently coaches for Broken Arrow Public Schools in Oklahoma.

KIM BUIE

Kim Buie has been involved in the spirit industry for over 20 years. She has coached at all levels: Freshman, Junior Varsity, Varsity, All-Star and Collegiate. She was the Varsity Cheer Coach at Alamogordo High School for 15 years, winning state titles in, both, all-girl and co-ed divisions, in 1996, 2002 and 2004. Most recently, she was an assistant coach at New Mexico State University for 3 years, winning a National USA Co-ed title in 2017. This year, Kim was honored as the New Mexico Activities Association 2019 "Legend of Spirit". Kim has worked for Varsity Brands for 13 years as a uniform sales rep, a camp manager, and, currently, serves as the New Mexico State Director for Training and Education for all Varsity Camp Brands.

DILLION GRIFFIN

Dillion has cheered for 26 years with various programs including Twist and Shout All-Stars, Del City High School, Rose State College, University of Central Oklahoma, and University of Oklahoma. He has also been coaching for 16 years with various programs including Twist and Shout All Stars, Oklahoma Twisters All Stars, Shock All Stars, Del City High School, and Carl Albert High School. Dillion is in his 15th year working as a UCA Instructor and 2nd year as a V!Roc instructor. He is currently the Assistant Athletic Director for Millwood Public Schools where he is also the Head Cheer Coach.

CHELSEA HELMS

Chelsea Helms graduated from The University of Texas at San Antonio. She has 20 years of cheerleading experience and a genuine love for the sport. She's been on UCA staff for 10 years and is the Head Instructor at The University of Texas at Austin where she is a part time coach. She has judged the Texas State Association Cheer Competition the last three years. Chelsea was the head varsity cheer coach at the Geneva School of Boerne for 3 years and is currently a part time coach at Lake Travis High School. She is also Varsity Sales Rep in South Texas.

MADISON JONES

Madison had been cheering and involved the cheer industry for 20 years. She cheered and graduated from UCO where I cheered for 3 years and was a member of the National Championship STUNT team. She has been on NCA staff for 6 years, 3 years being a Head Instructor. Madison has great experience with Game Day from her time at UCO and helping teams prepare for the OSSAA Game Day State Championship.

BAILEY KRAM

Bailey is originally from Missouri. She attended Missouri State University. She is in her 7th year as a UCA Instructor. Bailey is an experienced Game Day judge as she has previously judged UIL Spirit State Championship and KSHSAA Game Day Spirit Showcase.

BRYNN RAPP

Brynn is originally from Illinois. She cheered all throughout high school and on All-star teams. Once she graduated, she moved to Oklahoma and has cheered on all girl, small coed and large coed teams for Oklahoma State University. She has also been apart of their STUNT team. Brynn is currently a Head Instructor for NCA Speed Staff and cheering at OSU. Brynn is an experienced Game Day judge as she has previously judged UIL Spirit State Championship and KSHSAA Game Day Spirit Showcase.

KAYLA REATHER

Kayla is from Oklahoma. She attended Oklahoma University and is in her 7th year as a UCA instructor. She currently coaches for Broken Arrow Public Schools in Oklahoma. Kayla has previously judged KSHSAA Game Day Spirit Showcase and bring great experience to our judging panel.

TOM REYNOLDS

Tom cheered at Illinois State University from 2003 to 2005 where he received his B.S. in Political Theory, and at Texas Tech University from 2006 to 2008 where he received his Masters of Arts in Philosophy with a minor in Linguistics. He placed in the top five at both NCA and UCA Collegiate Nationals each year he competed. Tom was an assistant cheerleading coach at the University of Missouri for eight years and is currently coaching high school in Mt. Vernon, IL. In 2012, he received a second Masters from the University of Missouri and will graduate with his Doctorate in Computer Science this December. He has worked for the National Cheerleaders Association since 2005, as an instructor, head instructor and event staff member. Tom was elected to the MCCA Board in March of 2017 and is the current president.

JERVIS WILLIAMS

Jervis has been with NCA for 18 years. Five of those years as the NCA Staffing Director for the Southeast, Midsouth, and ½ of the Central regions. He cheered at the University of Arizona and coached 2 Allstar Worlds winning teams. Jervis has experience doing choreography for a various level of teams. He has been a part of the judging panel for KSHSAA Game Day Spirit Showcase previously and helps with quality control at UIL Spirit State Championship.



OVERVIEW MAP



Spectator
Parking

Spectator
Parking

Team Bus Drop-off

Spectator Entrance

NEW!!
1A-4A Team Exit

- Team Registration
- Pass Gate
- Ticket Sales



OVERVIEW MAP





STORMONT VAIL EVENTS CENTER



LONDON ARENA

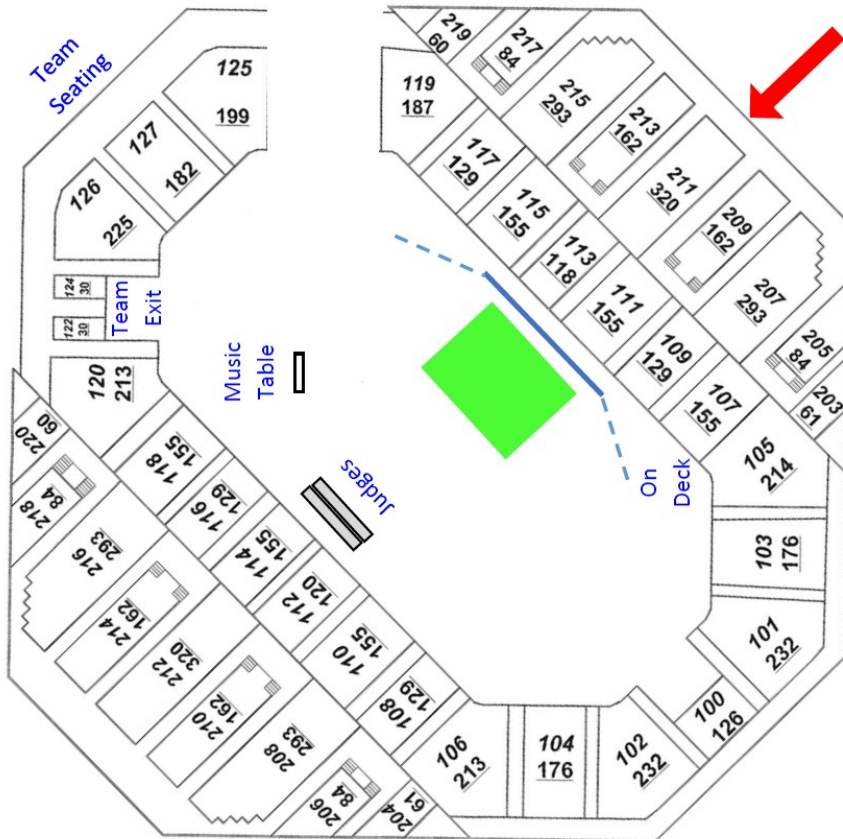


EXHIBIT HALL

Team Holding

Practice Check-in

To On Deck / Participant Seating

Floor A

Floor B

Floor C

Registration

Pass Gate

Tickets

Spectator Entrance (Up Stairs)

Spectator Tickets / Team Registration / Pass Gate Entrance

Bus Drop Off

Parking

Topeka Boulevard

VARSITY SPIRIT CHAMPIONSHIP RELEASE & WAIVER FORM – PARTICIPANT

Every Participant must have a completed and signed release form to turn in at registration in order to participate. ALL areas must be completed. ***Please photocopy and distribute to each person attending the event.***

Coach must retain a photocopy of each completed form for your records and keep them with the team throughout the event.

Minor's Name	Name of Parent / Legal Guardian	<u>KSHSAA Game Day Showcase</u> Name of Event
Address	School Name	<u>Topeka, KS</u> City, State of Event
City, State & Zip	School Address	<u>November 23, 2019</u> Event Dates
() Phone Number	School City, State & Zip	
Participant Email Address	() School Phone Number	Parent / Legal Guardian Email Address

Liability Release. For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I _____, as parent or legal guardian of _____, a minor (hereinafter "Minor"), hereby grant the permission necessary to allow Minor to participate in the above Event to be conducted by Varsity Spirit, LLC. ("Varsity"), d / b / a National Cheerleaders Association ("NCA") and/or d / b / a Universal Cheerleaders Association ("UCA"). I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, further agree to release and to hold harmless Varsity, the Hosting site, (university, hotel, convention center, high school) on whose premises the Event will occur (hereinafter the "Location") the affiliates of Varsity and the Location, and the respective directors, officers, representatives, members, agents and employees of Varsity, Sponsors, the Location and their respective affiliates (hereinafter collectively "Releasees") from any and all liability whether caused by negligence of the Releasees or otherwise for any claim judgment, loss, liability, cost and expenses (including, without limitations, attorney's fees and costs) arising out of or connected with the Event, including any claim arising out of or connected with any illness or injury (minimal, serious, catastrophic and / or death) that the Minor may incur or sustain during the Event, all activities associated with the Event and while traveling to and from the site for the Event whether or not the Event actually occurs. I further expressly agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees and Releasees' heirs, successors, assigns, executors and administrators against loss from any further claims, demands or actions that may subsequently be brought by Minor or by any other persons on the account of damages of any character resulting to Minor in any way from the foregoing activities. I further agree to reimburse and to make good to Releasees any loss, or costs Releasees may have to pay as a result of any such action, claim, or demand.

I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, hereby warrant that I have read this Liability Release in its entirety and fully understand its contents. I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, am aware that this Liability Release releases Releasees from liability and contains an acknowledgment of my voluntary and knowing assumption of the risk of injury or illness. I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the minor, further acknowledge that nothing in this Liability Release constitutes a guarantee that the Event will occur. I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, have signed this document voluntarily and of my own free will.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: X _____ **Date:** _____

Supervision: A chaperone/Adult (age 21 and over) is required to attend with participants. This Chaperone will be responsible for the participants at all times. Varsity Spirit, LLC d/b/a/ UCA and/or NCA are not responsible for participants' supervision..

Medical Release. I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the minor, acknowledge and agree that such participation subjects Minor to possibility of physical illness or injury (minimal, serious, catastrophic and/ or death) and that I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, acknowledge that the Minor is assuming the risk of such illness or injury by participating in the Event. In the event of such illness or injury, I authorize Varsity to obtain necessary medical treatment of the minor and hereby, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, release and hold harmless Releasees in the exercises of this authority. I further acknowledge and understand that I will be responsible for any and all medical and related bills that may be incurred on behalf of the Minor for any illness or injury that the Minor may sustain during the Event and while traveling to and from the site for the Event whether or not the Event actually occurs.

I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, hereby warrant that I have read this Participant Release and Waiver Form in its entirety and fully understand its contents. I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, am aware that this Participant Release and Waiver Form releases Releasees from liability and contains an acknowledgement of my voluntary and knowing assumption of the risk of injury or illness. I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the minor, further acknowledge that nothing in this Participant Release and Waiver Form constitutes a guarantee that the Event will occur. I, in my own behalf and on behalf of the Minor, have signed this document voluntarily and of my own free will. Minor and I understand that Sponsors may distribute samples of their products at the event.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: X _____ **Date:** _____

Relationship to Minor: _____

Witness Signature: _____ Date _____ Minor Birthdate: _____

Witness Address: _____

VARSITY SPIRIT CHAMPIONSHIP RELEASE & WAIVER FORM – ADULT/COACH

Every Advisor/Coach/Chaperone must turn in this completed and signed form at the designated check-in/registration area. ALL areas must be completed. ***Please photocopy and distribute to each adult attending the event.***

Coach must retain a photocopy of each completed form for his/her records.

Name	School Name	Name of Event
Address	School Address	City, State of Event
City, State & Zip	School City, State & Zip	Event Dates
() Phone Number	() School Phone Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you are the Advisor/Coach
Email Address	Are you employed by the school or school district? Yes No	<input type="checkbox"/> Check if you are a Chaperone
		Are you over 21 years of age? Yes No

Liability Release. For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I agree to participate in the above Event to be conducted by Varsity Spirit, LLC. ("Varsity"), d / b / a National Cheerleaders Association ("NCA") and/or d / b / a Universal Cheerleaders Association ("UCA"). I further agree to release and to hold harmless Varsity, the Hosting site (university, hotel, convention center, high school) on whose premises the Event will occur (hereinafter the "Location") the affiliates of Varsity, the Location, and the respective directors, officers, representatives, members, agents and employees of Varsity Spirit, Sponsors, the Location and their respective affiliates (hereinafter collectively "Releasees") from any and all liability whether caused by negligence of the Releasees or otherwise for any other claim judgment, loss, liability, cost and expenses (including, without limitations, attorney's fees and costs) arising out of or connected with the Event, including any claim arising out of or connected with any illness or injury (minimal, serious, catastrophic and / or death) that I may incur or sustain during the Event, all activities associated with the Event and while traveling to and from the site for the Event whether or not the Event actually occurs. I further expressly agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees and Releasees' heirs, successors, assigns, executors and administrators against loss from any further claims, demands or actions that may subsequently be brought by me or by any other persons on the account of damages of any character resulting to me in any way from the foregoing activities. I further agree to reimburse and to make good to Releasees any loss, or costs Releasees may have to pay as a result of any such action, claim, or demand.

Signature : _____ **Date:** _____

Medical Release. I acknowledge and agree that such participation subjects me to possibility of physical illness or injury (minimal, serious, catastrophic and/or death) and that I acknowledge that I am assuming the risk of such illness or injury by participating in the Event. In the event of such illness or injury, I authorize Varsity to obtain necessary medical treatment for me and hereby release and hold harmless Releasees in the exercises of this authority. I further acknowledge and understand that I will be responsible for any and all medical and related bills that may be incurred by me for any illness or injury that I may sustain during the Event and while traveling to and from the site for the Event whether or not the Event actually occurs.

Supervision. A Chaperone/Adult (age 21 or over) is required to attend with participants. This Chaperone will be responsible for the participants at all times including but not limited to swimming, beach activity, cheer/dance practice outside of competition and free time at event site or hotel. Varsity Spirit d / b / a NCA and / or NDA is not responsible for participants' supervision.

I hereby warrant that I have read this Adult Release and Waiver Form in its entirety and fully understand its contents. I am aware that this Adult Release and Waiver Form releases Releasees from liability and contains an acknowledgement of my voluntary and knowing assumption of the risk of injury or illness, acknowledge that nothing in this Adult Release and Waiver Form constitutes a guarantee that the Event will occur and have signed this document voluntarily and of my own free will. I understand that Sponsors may distribute samples of their products at the event.

Signature of Adult: _____ **Date:** _____

Witness Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Witness Address: _____