



PINEY WOODS FAIR

October 11-15, 2017

PINEYWOODS CHEER & DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

Nacogdoches County Expo
& Civic Center

3805 N.W. Stallings Drive
Nacogdoches, Texas 75964
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Cheer & Dance Coordinator:
Karrissa Theret
Dance Teams - Cheer - Mascot
competition
Saturday, October 14
Times To Be Announced

Coaches and Sponsors,

Welcome to the 40th Annual Piney Woods Cheer, Dance, & Mascot Championship! We look forward to your participation in this years competition. It promises to be an exciting showcase of the incredible talent in East Texas for the sport of Cheerleading, Drill Team, Dance, and Mascots. Please remember to include your UIL division on your entry form to avoid confusion.

The exact times of each competition will be announced as soon as we have them from the Piney Woods Fair Committee. The schedule of performance times will be sent out Monday, October 9th after the registration deadline of Friday, October 6th.

All participants in uniform and their coaches will receive free admission into the fair; however, *spectators and supporters will need to pay admission (\$5) to enter.* We encourage everyone to purchase their tickets in advance online at www.outhousetickets.com. This will prevent you from standing in line at the gate for tickets, allowing you to quickly proceed directly to the arena.

Music Regulations - The Piney Woods Fair Cheer & Dance Competition will be following the rules and regulations regarding music licensing by USA Cheer. These rules are being enforced at all events that involve performances with music. For more information on these rules go to <http://usacheer.net/pressafety/music>.

In order to avoid fines or penalties all team must turn in the "Music License" provided by their music producer no later than Monday, October 2nd in order to compete in the Cheer & Dance competition. If you need assistance obtaining legal music please contact our Cheer & Dance Coordinator Karrissa at 936-634-3547.

This year we highly recommend the use of an MP3 player, iPhone, or iPad for your music. CD's have the highest risk of skipping during a performance. Coaches will keep their music with them throughout the entire competition.

If at any time during your performance the music stops, you will be allowed to start over from the beginning. Judges will resume judging from the point at which the music stopped.

Small Group Dance Division - This division will consist of up to 6 of your officers and/or best dancers. There will be two divisions: 1) Middle School Small Group and 2) High School Small Group. The divisions will not be split by school size. The max time limit for each performance will be 1:30.

FIVE DIVISIONS OF COMPETITION WILL BE OFFERED

High School Division I Class 4A & Above

Jr. High Division I Class 4A & Above

High School Division II Class 3A & Below

Jr. High Division II Class 3A & Below

Small Group Dance Division & Mascot (open to all classes)

****Please remember to enter your UIL Division on your entry form to avoid any confusion.****

The Jr. High Divisions are for students currently enrolled in 8th grade and below. Students enrolled in 9th grade and above must compete in the High School Division in which their school qualifies.

COMPETITION ENTRY & FEES

FEES: Cheer & Dance Teams	Before October 1, 2017	\$30	After October 1, 2017	\$40
Mascot	Before October 1, 2017	\$20	After October 1, 2017	\$30
Small Dance Group	Before October 1, 2017	\$15	After October 1, 2017	\$25

All entries should be mailed to: Nacogdoches County Expo & Civic Center
 Attn: Cheer & Dance Competition
 3805 N.W. Stallings Drive
 Nacogdoches, Texas 75965

ENTRY DEADLINE: Late registration will be accepted until October 7, 2017. In order to provide all teams with performance schedules in a timely manner no entries will be accepted after October 7, 2017. No monies will be accepted on or after the day of competition.

CHEER DIVISION

Teams will be judged on two separate categories.

CHOREOGRAPHY & OVERALL IMPRESSION AND PYRAMIDS & TOSSES

May include but not required: Signs, props (megaphones, poms, etc.), stunts, jumps, and/or tumbling.

COMPETITION STYLE ROUTINE WITH OR WITHOUT MUSIC

Recommended Skill Sets: Jumps, Standing Tumbling, Running Tumbling, Stunts, Pyramid, and Dance.

CHEERLEADING COMPETITION WILL CONSIST OF TWO PHASES

1) Cheerleading Routine 2) Musical Dance Routine (routines may be performed in any order)

CATEGORIES THAT WILL BE JUDGED: TOTAL POINTS AVAILABLE 90

SCORING

Pyramid Difficulty	10 pts
Pyramid Execution	10 pts
Stunts Difficulty	10 pts
Stunts Execution	10 pts
Baskets Difficulty	5 pts
Projection & Showmanship	10 pts
Spacing & Transition	10 pts
Timing & Synchronization	10 pts
Creativity & Visual Appeal	10 pts



DEDUCTIONS

Stunt Bobble	.10 pt
Stunt Fall	.25 pt
Stunt Collapse (anyone involved in the stunt group hitting the performance floor)	.50 pt
Tumbling Touch Down (hands, knees, etc. touching performance floor)	.25 pt
Entire Cheer Routine may not exceed 3 minutes. A 10 point deduction will be made to this violation.	

THE COMPETITION FLOOR WILL BE A FULL SIZE CHEER FLOOR OF 9 PANELS.
 THE WARM UP FLOOR WILL BE A SMALLER FLOOR OF 7 PANELS.

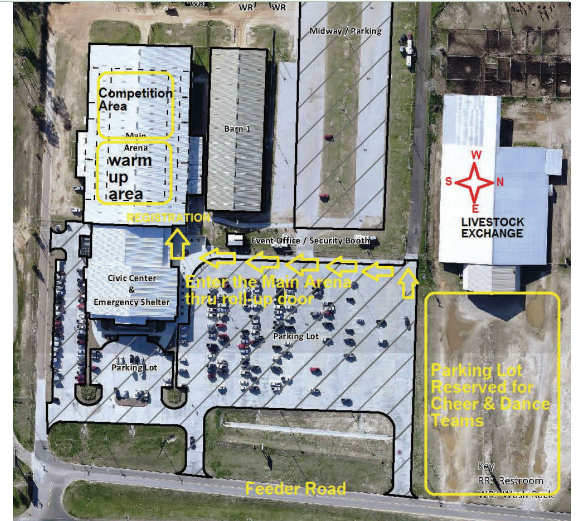
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COACHES & SPONSORS

PARKING:

Parking will be at the adjacent Nacogdoches Livestock Exchange in the area designated for Teams and Parents of the Cheer/Dance Competition. There will be signs posted directing you to the parking area. For those of you who attended last year it will be in the same area. After you park you will follow the sidewalk to the entrance to the Main Arena.

CHECK IN:

The registration table will be in the Main Arena at the North Entrance (see map for details). A Coach/Sponsor will need to check in at the registration table 1 hour prior to the competition start time. At this time they will be given warm up and competition times, along with any other information needed.



WARM UP:

The Piney Woods Fair is pleased to announce that we will have a team warm up area again this year. The Main Arena will be set up to accommodate both the warm up and competition to avoid inclement weather issues. All teams will need to meet 15 minutes before their scheduled warm up time. Teams that arrive late for their scheduled warm up time will unfortunately forfeit their scheduled time on the warm up area. Warm up times are subject to change by the Piney Woods Fair Staff. If for any reason these times change we will contact the coach by the cell phone number listed on the entry form.

Each team will have the same allotted time on the following warm up stations: Stretch Mat - 5 minutes,
Full Floor with sound - 5 minutes.

DRILL TEAM & DANCE DIVISIONS

CATEGORIES THAT WILL BE JUDGED: TOTAL POINTS AVAILABLE 100

SCORING:

Appearance	15 pts
Enthusiasm	15 pts
Choreography	15 pts
Formations	15 pts
Timing & Rhythm	20 pts
Difficulty	20 pts



Dance Floor is 42' by 54'

DEDUCTIONS:

Major Fall .50 pts
Each squad will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes to perform.
Any team exceeding the allotted time will be penalized 10 points.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Awards will be presented to teams on both days of the competition.

Judges:

A team trophy and medals will be presented to the First Place Winner.

Second and Third Place teams will receive medals.

Extreme Team of the Day recognition will receive Free Ride Tickets for each member of the team!