



2013 APS WINTER SPIRIT INVITATIONAL GENERAL INFORMATION

Sport	Cheer & Dance/Drill	
Date	February 23, 2013	
Site	Atrisco Heritage Academy	
Deadlines	Competition rosters due on or before 3:30pm, Monday, February 11 th Advance tickets sales order and payment are due on or before 3:30pm, Thursday, February 14 th	
Session	Varsity, JV, C-Team Cheer and Dance/Drill	
Performance Categories	Cheer:	Teams will perform a <i>Cheer with Music</i> routine
	Dance/Drill:	Teams will perform a Pom routine
Competition Fees	\$150.00 per team / APS exempt fee; make check payment to <i>APS Athletic Department</i> .	
Directors of Event	Coordinator of Athletics:	Ron Warren
	Coordinator of Athletics:	Julie Sanchez
Admission	Varsity Cheer & Dance Drill	Adults, Students & Senior Citizens \$5.00
Advance Ticket Sales	Teams and/or parent organizations may purchase tickets in advance. Seating is on a first come, first served basis. Due to limited seating and the number of participants and spectators expected, purchasing tickets in advance is strongly encouraged. Regardless of team size and who is purchasing the tickets, teams and parent organizations will be limited to a maximum purchase of 60 tickets in advance. Maximum Advance Ticket Purchase: Dance/Drill Team Maximum 60 Varsity Cheer Team 60 Junior Varsity/C-Team 60	
	Order Form:	A detailed order form will be sent to each head spirit coach
	Method of Payment:	One check per team made payable to APS Athletic Department
	Deadline:	Orders and payment due to the APS Athletic Department on or before 3:30pm, Thursday, February 14 th
	Point of Contact:	Ron Warren, 878-6169 or warren_r@aps.edu
APS Passes	Current APS Athletic Event Passes will be honored	
General Information	All spectator seating will be on a first come first served basis. Reserving and saving seats is not allowed. This includes saving sections of seats for a particular school or team. Participating teams will have a designated seating area which will be identified the day of the competition.	

Concessions will be available; no outside food or drink. This applies to both spectators and teams. Warm-up time will be dictated by schedule. Schedule will be provided upon check-in.

Schedule	Mandatory C-Team / JV Cheer & Dance/Drill Coaches' Meeting	7:45am
	• Check-in – C-Team and JV Cheer	
	Doors Open To Public	8:00am
	Warm-Ups Begin	8:40am
	Competition Session Begins	9:00am
	Mandatory Varsity Cheer & Dance/Drill Coaches' Meeting	11:15am
	• Check-in – Dance/Drill Teams & Varsity Cheer	
Award Presentation	Following dance/drill performances	

Order of performance will be available at check-in and emailed to coaches no later than two days prior to the competition.

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Roster

Competition rosters are due to APS Athletics on or before 3:30pm, Monday, February 11th by either fax at 830.3383 or e-mail at warren_r@aps.edu. (See roster form included in packet.)

NOTE THE FOLLOWING PARTICIPATION RESTRICTIONS:

Participants are restricted to one competition performance. A participant may not be a part of both a competitive cheer performance and a competitive dance/drill performance.

Athletic Trainer

An athletic trainer will be available during the event. Coverage is arranged via the school district schedule.

Warm-Up Information

Each team will have warm-up time. Due to area constraints, there will be NO yelling in the warm-up area. Please only bring necessary performance items to the warm-up area as there will not be a place to store or leave items while teams are performing. Teams will not be allowed to re-enter warm-up area.

Cheer Specific: Each team will have 5 minutes to stretch, 5 minutes on tumbling/jumps mats (2 strips) and 5 minutes on a full mat area (9 strips).

Dance Specific: Each team will have 5 minutes to stretch, 5 minutes in a limited area to warm-up jumps, leaps, etc., and 5 minutes to warm-up full routine. Do not rely on the warm-up area having floor markings.

Awards Cheer and Dance/Drill

Total Score & Tie Breakers

Cheer:

JV & C-Team Cheer

All teams will perform their routine. Judges will critique and score performances based on the criteria presented in the competition packet, performance judge's score sheet and the technical judge's score sheet. A team's total score will be an average of the combined judges' scores minus deductions (technical and performance time). The team with the highest total score will be the first place competition winner. C-Teams will compete separately from JV groups in performance

round. In the event of a tie, tie breaking rules per the *NMAA State Spirit Competition Guidelines* will be followed.

Varsity Cheer

A first and second place team trophy will be awarded to the teams with the two highest performance scores. A team's total score will be an average of the combined judges' scores minus deductions (technical, performance time and/or entrance time). In the event of a tie, tie breaking rules per the *NMAA State Spirit Competition Guidelines* will be followed.

Dance/Drill:

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Tie Breaking Criteria

In the event of a tie, the following will be used in the order as listed to determine ranking:

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2. Team's second highest performance score
3. Team's third highest performance score
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Competition results will be made available online at the APS Athletic Department website at www.aps.edu/athletics.

Copies of judge's score sheets (performance and technical if applicable) will be distributed to coaches upon the conclusion of the award presentation at the designated area and will only be available for pick-up for up to thirty minutes after the final award presentation.

All scores and competition results are final.

Award Presentation

The award presentation will take place immediately following the last performance of the competition session. It is the expectation of the APS Athletic Department that all teams competing will remain for the award presentation.

Contact Information

Coordinator of APS Athletics Ron Warren Wk: 878-6169 Cell: 697-0487
E-mail: warren_r@aps.edu

Coordinator of APS Athletics Julie Sanchez Wk. 878-6159 Cell: 249-7269
E-mail: sanchez_ju@aps.edu

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SPIRIT ROSTER

SCHOOL: _____ MASCOT OR TEAM NAME: _____

HEAD COACH: _____ PHONE NUMBER DAY OF EVENT: _____

ASSISTANT COACH: _____ DANCE/DRILL POM
 JV / C-TEAM CHEER W/ MUSIC VARSITY CHEER W/MUSIC

PARTICIPANTS:

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|-----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 16. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 17. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 18. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 19. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 20. _____ |
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| 7. _____ | 22. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 23. _____ |
| 9. _____ | 24. _____ |
| 10. _____ | 25. _____ |
| 11. _____ | 26. _____ |
| 12. _____ | 27. _____ |
| 13. _____ | 28. _____ |
| 14. _____ | 29. _____ |
| 15. _____ | 30. _____ |

**ROSTERS DUE TO APS ATHLETICS BY 3:30PM ON OR BEFORE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH**



**BUY YOUR FANS TICKETS IN ADVANCE!
FANS CAN AVOID THE SALES LINE AND WALK RIGHT IN TO
SELECT PRIME SEATING**

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APS WINTER SPIRIT INVITE

The APS Winter Spirit Invite Hosted @ Atrisco Heritage Academy

Varsity / JV/ C-Team Cheer & Dance / Drill

Participating teams may purchase friends & family admission bands in advance

Teams are restricted to one order per team

Dance/Drill = 1 Team

Varsity Cheer = 1 Team

JV/C-Team Cheer=1 team

A maximum of 60 tickets may be ordered in advance per team

Cost for Adults, Students & Senior Citizens: \$5.00

Method of Payment: One check per team made payable to *APS Athletic Department*

Orders not accompanied with payment will not be processed

No Refunds

***ORDERS & PAYMENT DUE TO THE APS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
ON OR BEFORE: 3:30PM, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH***

*Orders will be available for pick-up from the APS Athletic Department:
Tuesday, February 19th through Thursday, February 21st between 9:00am—4:15pm*

APS Athletic Department Point of Contact: Ron Warren
Phone: 878-6169 Email: warren_r@aps.edu

TEAM ORDER

Teams from the same school must submit separate order forms; however, one check may be issued for payment.

SCHOOL: _____

TEAM (**CHECK ONE**) PLACING ORDER: ___ Dance/Drill ___ Varsity Cheer ___ JV/C-Team Cheer

TICKET ORDER : _____ X \$5.00 = _____
Quantity (60 max.) Amount Enclosed

If mailing order and payment, mail to : APS Athletic Department
PO Box 25704
Albuquerque, NM 87125

CHEER PERFORMANCE CATEGORY: CHEER WITH MUSIC

All APS hosted spirit contests are NMAA sanctioned competitions. Criteria for performance categories shall adhere to and will be judged according to the standards defined and outlined by the NMAA in the *NMAA State Spirit Competition Guidelines* located under *Cheer Guidelines* for cheer performances and *Dance Guidelines* for dance/drill performances on the NMAA website, www.nmact.org, under the *Spirit* link. NMAA score sheets/adjudication forms for performance judges and technical judges will be used; forms are available on the NMAA website under the *Spirit* link.

All New Mexico Activities Association rules and National Federation of State High School Associations spirit rules apply unless otherwise specified. It is the expectation choreography, music and performance uniforms will be age and audience appropriate while upholding the decorum of each school represented.

Time Limits and Music

- The cheer with music performance must be a minimum of two minutes and a maximum of two minutes and thirty seconds.
 - The musical portion of the performance is limited to a total of one minute and thirty seconds.
 - There are no limits on the number of songs used in performance.
- Music **MUST** be on an audio CD (CD-R). Have a back-up audio CD (CD-R) with you during performance. Avoid recording music on a rewritable CD (don't use CD-RW).
 - A quick and reliable test to ensure performance music will be compatible with competition audio equipment is to play the audio CD (CD-R) that will be used for the performance on a portable stereo/boom box.
- Performance music only on the audio CD (CD-R).
- Each audio CD (CD-R) must be labeled with the name of the school and the name of the head coach.
- Suggestion: In addition to being prepared with two audio CD's, have performance music on an i-pod as a last resort and back-up to the two audio CD's.
- Once the team is in starting performance formation on the performance floor/court, timing will begin with the first choreographed, organized word, movement or note of music and timing will end with the last organized word, movement or note of music. Teams will have an entrance time of 45 seconds to get into starting formation upon team being introduced.
 - Tumbling, chants and spell-outs incorporated as part of team introduction/entrance and exit will be timed as part of the performance.
- Five point deduction from overall score (cumulative score from all judges) for exceeding entrance time
- Five point deduction from overall score (cumulative score from all judges) for not meeting minimum or maximum performance time

Penalty Violations

- All NFHS safety rules apply
- Along with NFHS safety rules, refer to the NMAA technical judge's form

Performance Interruptions

- Performance interruptions due to circumstances beyond a performing team's control may have the opportunity to perform routine a second time. The event director(s) and/or performance official will evaluate the circumstances for the interruption and determine whether or not the performance interruption was beyond the control of the team. The event director(s) and/or performance official will determine whether or not the team will be allowed to perform routine a second time. If it is determined the routine will be performed a second time, the event director(s) and/or performance official will determine whether or not routine will be judged from the start of the second performance or from the point of the original performance interruption.
- Stopping a performance does not guarantee a team will be given the opportunity to perform routine a second time. Individuals who may stop a routine are:
 - Event Director(s)
 - Performance Official
 - Athletic Department Administrator
 - Coach

Judging, Scoring and Competition Results

- The competition will consist of a performance round for cheer and dance/drill.
- All teams will compete in the performance round.
- A first and second place trophy will be awarded to the varsity team with the highest performance scores.
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Protocol for Communication

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Interpretation of Rules, Guidelines & Competition Criteria and Final Decisions

- Failure to follow the rules, guidelines and/or performance criteria set forth by the APS Athletic Department, the New Mexico Activities Association and/or the National Federation of State High School Associations puts a team at risk of point deductions and/or being disqualified from the competition.
- Final decisions regarding interpretation of rules, guidelines, disqualifying actions and all other competition aspects will be declared by the competition director(s) and/or designee(s). All decisions made are final and are not subject to review.

Spirit Competition Resources: Criteria, Rules & Guidelines:

APS Athletic Department

www.aps.edu/athletics - Event packet is attached to the event listed on department calendar

New Mexico Activities Association

www.nmact.org

National Federation of State High School Associations

www.nfhs.com, *National Federation of State High School Associations Spirit Rules Book*



2012-2013 APS Winter Spirit Invite

Guidelines and Scoring: DANCE/DRILL

DANCE PERFORMANCE CATEGORY: POM

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