

2009 USTA TEXAS STATE Twirling Championships



Magnolia West High School
42202 FM 1774
Magnolia, TX 77353-0426

April 18, 2009

Sanctioned by:

The United States Twirling Association

Sponsored by:

Texas State Twirling Council

Competition Director: Lori Perkins

USTA Texas State Twirling Council
Lori Perkins
11510 Stone Bridge Drive
Houston, TX 77064

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Contestants from Texas may enter State events. ANYONE may enter the Open and Rating events.
2. Certified funds or money orders ONLY may be made payable to TSTC.
3. No late entries or phone entries will be accepted.
4. Programs are \$3.00
5. Concession arrangements have been made for the competition.
6. No flash pictures allowed during performances. Failure to comply will result in disqualification of the athlete.
7. Individual & Group Competitors must enter the competition at the age they will be on December 31, 2009.
8. Any 1st place wins, prior to the entry deadline, which would change an athlete's classification for that competition, must be reported to the contest director immediately.
9. No credits, refunds, transfers or forwarding of entries or monies.
10. TSTC reserves the right to divide or combine age groups as necessary.
11. The competition is sanctioned by USTA. Official USTA music, Olympic scoring, USTA Rules, Certified Judges and Official Critique Sheet will be used.
12. All athletes must provide USTA Member ID # on Entry or include Member of the Day fees (\$8). USTA membership is mandatory.
13. The Official Set System will be used. If any athlete or group fails to report on their assigned set number, as noted in the program, that group or athlete will not be permitted to perform.
14. State Jr. and Sr. Grand Champions will be announced after each event.
15. Military Strut is in the form of the USTA Strut retraced "L"(32 counts plus an 8 count (introduction).
16. Basic Strut is in the form of a square, baton does a repetitive arm swing (32 counts – 8 cts. per side, executing left flanks on the 8th count. Hold for 8 count introduction.)
17. Presentation and Body Forms are to the 32-count freestyle from the USTA Strut. Athletes begin facing the back at the position of attention for 8-count intro. Only loops and passes, and no gymnastics, in Body Forms.
18. Rhythm Twirl is performed to the first 64 counts of the USTA Dance Twirl Music.
19. USTA ESSENTIAL EVENTS: Athlete must pass each class in order, starting from Class C. Athletes do not compete with each other. Ribbons are awarded at the time of evaluation. Compulsories and Movement Technique evaluations available in all classes
20. The USTA MUSIC will be used for the following events: Novice, Beg. and Int. Solo; Beg. Pairs; All Two and Three Baton; Flag and Rifle (1 1/2 min.). It will also be used on the Adv. Solos and Adv. Pairs (2 min.) The music for Basic, Military, Presentation, Body Forms and Beg. Int. and Adv. Strut is 1 1/2 min.). Dance Twirl music is (1:20). All music for USTA events may be purchased through USTA Merchandise online at www.ustwirling.com
21. Novice athletes are those who have never won a competitive first place in a particular event. Beginner athletes have won less than 5 competitive first place awards. Intermediate athletes have won less than 10 competitive first place awards. Advanced athletes have won 10 or more competitive first place awards. Competitive first places are those in which the athlete was in competition against at least one other athlete. Athletes must count first places won at a higher level of competition in total number of wins.
22. An Open team has won less than 10 competitive first place awards. A State team [Adv] has won 10 or more competitive first place awards. Competitive first places are those in which the team was in competition against at least one other team. Athletes must count first places won at a higher level of competition in total number of wins.
23. All members of a Tiny Tot Dance Twirl Team must be 7 years of age or younger.
24. Parade Corps may not pass in review. For more information on auxiliary & corps events, please refer to the USTA Rule Book.
25. All members must hold a current USTA membership. Group members' ages are averaged (the decimal is dropped). Groups may enter the division in which their average age falls and/or the age division in which their oldest member falls.
26. T-Shirt Orders will not be mailed. They may be picked up at the competition.

STATE FINALS PROCEDURE:

Juvenile (9, 10, 11 & 12) Junior (13, 14, 15 & 16),
Senior (17, 18, 19 & 20) and Adult (21 +) Champions.

The **1st and 2nd place** winners in the Single Age Preliminary Rounds are the competitors in the Final Round.

The **1st, 2nd and 3rd place** winners in the Combined Age Preliminary Rounds (Excluding Pairs, Dance Twirl Pairs, Rifle and Flag), are the competitors in the Final Round. The 21+ Adult Preliminary is considered a combined age preliminary, thus the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners only, will advance to the Adult Final.

NOTE: Primary athletes (0-8) will finish competition with the Preliminary Round. There is no final for the Primary athletes in any event.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, April 18, 2009 - Beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Rating Events and CAS Evaluations (throughout the day in practice gym)

ALL Teams & Corps –State & Open

Open Freestyle

Foundation Events: Basic Strut, Presentation, Military Strut

Body Forms, Rhythm Twirl

Flag & Rifle

Open & State Solo

Open & State Pairs

Open & State Strut

Open & State Two Baton

Open & State Three Baton

Open & State Dance Twirl

Open & State Dance Twirl Pairs

STATE CATEGORIES AND AGE DIVISIONS:

Competition will begin with Combined Age Preliminaries in Women's Solo, Two Baton, Strut, Dance Twirl Solo and Men's Solo (0-8, 9-12, 13-16, 17-20, 21+), Three Baton (9-12, 13-16, 17-20, 21+), Pairs and Dance Twirl Pairs (0-16, 17- 24, 25-32, 33+) Flag/Rifle (0-16, 17+). 7 places are awarded.

Qualifying Round Procedure

Age Groups (Single or Combined Ages) that have 11 or more contestants will qualify down to 7; the next round will be the preliminary round.

ALL OPEN EVENTS:

0-8, 9-12, 13-16, 17+

TEAMS (TWIRLING AND DANCE TWIRL)

GROUP SIZE

SMALL TEAM: 4-8 members

LARGE TEAM: 9 or more members

AGE DIVISIONS

TINY TOT: Members are ALL age 7 years or younger (Dance Twirl Teams ONLY)

PRIMARY: Members are an average age of 9 years or younger

JUVENILE: Members are an average age of 10-12 years

JUNIOR: Members are an average age of 13-15 years

SENIOR: Members are an average age of 16 years or older

PARADE CORPS

GROUP SIZE: 8 or more members

AGE DIVISIONS

JUNIOR: Members are an average age of 15 years or younger

SENIOR: Members are an average age of 16 years or older

CATEGORIES - A Class, Open Class

SHOW CORPS

AGE DIVISIONS

JUNIOR: Members are an average age of 15 years or younger

SENIOR: Members are an average age of 16 years or older

CATEGORIES - A Class, Open Class

Hotel Accommodations:

La Quinta- Headquarters – approximately 12 miles to contest site

USTA Texas State Block rate \$109.00

www.lq.com

14000 Medical Complex Dr, Tomball - (281) 516-0400

Magnolia Inn & Suites – less than one mile to contest site

www.magnoliainnandsuites.com

single \$79.95, double 89.95

18614 FM 1488 Rd, Magnolia - (281) 259-6119

Executive Inn & Suites – less than one mile to contest site

www.executiveinmagnolia.com

single \$69.95, double \$79.95

17707 FM 1488 Rd., Magnolia - (281) 259-8200

**2009 USTA TEXAS STATE TWIRLING CHAMPIONSHIPS & OPEN COMPETITION
INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FORM
Saturday , April 18th, 2009**

New Address?
 ___ Yes
 ___ No

1. All entries must be postmarked by NO LATER than March 20, 2009. ABSOLUTELY NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. Note: Only ONE DEADLINE
2. No personal checks accepted. No credit card payments accepted. Make Cashier's Checks or Money Orders payable to: UTSTC
3. Entry must be printed or typed. Entries that are not legible will be returned. Only one individual or group entry per form.
4. Individual entries must include USTA member ID number or Member of the day fees.
5. All participants must sign a waiver of liability to participate.
6. Pairs entries are only to be sent by one pair member with full payment and that member will receive the confirmation.
7. Any athlete residing in ANY state may enter Beg. and Int. Open Competition. The Open Competition is NOT awarded a State Title
8. All concession and door fees will benefit the Magnolia West High School Marching Band.

USTA # (Required): _____ Contestant Name: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 State: _____ Zipcode: _____ Email: _____
 List all instructors. Primary 1st: _____

Confirmations will be sent only by email if an email address is provided.
 (Please ONLY list the Email address you wish to receive confirmations and important correspondence regarding this competition)

Age(12/31/2009): _____ Birthdate: / / _____ Phone: () _____

All Events Immediately Following Group Events on Saturday, April 18, 2009

RATING EVENTS		BASIC STRUT		SOLO		CAS EVALUATION EVENTS	
<input type="checkbox"/> *Costume Modeling	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice Basic	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Rating Solo	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Compulsories**	Level: _____ \$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> *Best Appearing	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Beg. Basic	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Nov. Solo	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Movement Tech**	Level: _____ \$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Basic Strut	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Int. Basic	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Beg. Solo	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Short Program**	Elite: _____ \$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Military Strut	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Adv. Basic	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Int. Solo	\$10.00	CAS Records required to participate in events with **. List Current Comp. Level _____ List Current MT Level _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation	\$8.00	MILITARY STRUT		<input type="checkbox"/> Adv. Solo	\$10.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> *Ribbon	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice Military	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> State Solo	\$20.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> *Hoop	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Beg. Mil.	\$10.00	PAIRS**			
<input type="checkbox"/> *Show Twirl	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Int. Mil.	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Rating Pair	\$16.00	FREESTYLE	
<input type="checkbox"/> *Rifle	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Adv. Mil.	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Beg. Pair	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Freestyle \$20.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> *Flag	\$8.00	PRESENTATION		<input type="checkbox"/> Int. Pair	\$20.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> *Tall Flag	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice Presentation	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> State Pair	\$40.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> *Other (Specify)	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Beg. Pres.	\$10.00	PAIRS INFORMATION**:			
<input type="checkbox"/> *Trio	\$24.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Int. Pres.	\$10.00	Pair Partner Name: _____			
Trio Partners _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Adv. Pres.	\$10.00	Pair Partner USTA # (Required): _____			
*Non-sanctioned events		FOUNDATION EVENTS		Age (12/31/2009): _____			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rhythm Twirl**	\$8.00	Birthdate (Required): ____/____/____			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Body Forms **	\$8.00				

DANCE TWIRL		2-BATON		DANCE TWIRL PAIRS***		AUXILLARY	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rating Dance Twirl	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Rating 2-Baton	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Rating DT Pairs	\$16.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Rifle	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Beg Dance Twirl	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Beg. 2-Baton	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Beg.	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Flag	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Int. Dance Twirl	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Int. 2-Baton	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Int.	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Sabre	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Adv. Dance Twirl	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Adv. 2-Baton	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> State DT Pairs	\$40.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> State Dance Twirl	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/> State 2-Baton	\$20.00				
STRUT		3-BATON					
<input type="checkbox"/> Rating Strut	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Rating 3-Baton	\$8.00				
<input type="checkbox"/> Beg. Strut	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Beg 3-Baton	\$10.00				
<input type="checkbox"/> Int. Strut	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Int. 3-Baton	\$10.00				
<input type="checkbox"/> Adv. Strut	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Adv 3-Baton	\$10.00				
<input type="checkbox"/> State Strut	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/> State 3-Baton	\$20.00				

Waiver/Indemnity of Liability: I agree to assume the risk that may occur to me, my child or my group as a result of participation in a USTA sanctioned event. I further agree to indemnify and hold the US Twirling Association and Texas State Twirling Council, its agents or employees harmless from any loss they may sustain as a result of injury to me (or my child or my group) as a result of my participation in USTA events. I have read the "Parents/Legal Guardians Responsibilities" and as a condition for the USTA's acceptance of my child's (or my) entry in a USTA event, I agree to abide by and perform each of the duties that are set forth in that statement. FORM MUST BE SIGNED. _____ (Guardian) DATE: _____

T-SHIRT ORDER					
QTY:	SIZE	PRICE	QTY:	SIZE	PRICE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult Small	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Small	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult Medium	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Medium	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult Large	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Large	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult X-Large	\$20.00			
TOTAL DUE:					\$

NO FAX ENTRIES ACCEPTED
 ENTRY POSTMARK DEADLINE MARCH 20TH
 Mail to:
 TEXAS STATE ENTRY
 Lori Perkins, Director
 11519 Stone Bridge Drive, Houston, TX 77064
 (713) 261-5614 email twirlp@yahoo.com

INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FEES DUE:	
Statel Events:	\$
Open Events:	\$
Rating Events:	\$
T-Shirt (s):	\$
Good Luck Lines:	\$
Member of the day (\$8)	\$
TOTAL FEES DUE:	\$

GOOD LUCK LINES @ \$5.00 per line (10 Words per line only) Create and include with your entry

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- Group entries must include USTA member ID number of each participant, member of the day fees, or a group /organization membership ID number.
- Group entries must include the group roster showing all members' names, ages (as of 12/31/09), birthdates, and name/division of other groups the member will compete in.
- All participants must sign a waiver of liability to participate. Group entries should include signed waiver for all members who are not also participating in the individual competition
- All concession and door fees will benefit the Magnolia West High School Marching Band.

Group/OrgUSTA # _____ **Team Director's Name:** _____ **Name of Group:** _____
Address: _____ **City:** _____
State: _____ **Zipcode:** _____ **Email:** _____
 List all instructors. Primary 1st: _____

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 Phone: () _____

8:00 a.m. Saturday, April 18, 2009

TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GROUPS - Advanced Level (Note: Each group entry requires separate form)

Group Name: _____ **Total Average Age (12/31/09)** _____ **# of Twirlers:** _____ **# of Alternates:** _____

- State Twirl Team Prim. ___ Juv. ___ Jr. ___ Sr. ___ \$50.00 ___ Small \$75.00 ___ Large
 Title(s) of Musical Selections(s) _____
- State Dance Twirl Team Prim. ___ Juv. ___ Jr. ___ Sr. ___ \$50.00 ___ Small \$75.00 ___ Large
 Title(s) of Musical Selections(s) _____
- State Show Corps Jr. ___ Sr. ___ \$50.00 A: ___ Open: ___ Corps Only: _____
- State Parade Corps Jr. ___ Sr. ___ \$50.00 A: ___ Open: ___ # of Auxiliary Members: _____

OPEN COMPETITION GROUPS - Beginner & Intermediate Level (Note: Each group entry requires separate form)

Group Name: _____ **Total Average Age (12/31/08)** _____ **# of Twirlers:** _____ **# of Alternates:** _____

- Open Twirl Team Prim. ___ Juv. ___ Jr. ___ Sr. ___ Beg: ___ Int: ___ \$40.00 ___ Small \$60.00 ___ Large
 Title(s) of Musical Selections(s) _____
- Open Dance Twirl Team Prim. ___ Juv. ___ Jr. ___ Sr. ___ Beg: ___ Int: ___ \$40.00 ___ Small \$60.00 ___ Large
 Title(s) of Musical Selections(s) _____
- Open Tiny Tot Dance Twirl Team (Average age 7 or under) Beg: ___ Int: ___ \$40.00 ___ Small \$60.00 ___ Large
 Title(s) of Musical Selections(s) _____

RATING COMPETITION GROUPS (Note: Each group entry requires separate form)

Group Name: _____ **Total Average Age (12/31/08)** _____ **# of Twirlers:** _____ **# of Alternates:** _____

- Rating Twirl Team Prim. ___ Juv. ___ Jr. ___ Sr. ___ Small ___ Large ___ \$30.00 _____
- Rating Dance Twirl Team Tiny Tot ___ Prim. ___ Juv. ___ Jr. ___: Small ___ Large ___ \$30.00 _____
- *Rating Dance Team Jazz ___ Pom ___ Novelty ___ Small ___ Large ___ \$30.00 _____
 * Non-sanctioned events

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*******ENTRY DEADLINE MARCH 20, 2009*******

LIST GROUP MEMBERS - USTA# REQUIRED UNLESS GROUP OR ORG. MEMBERSHIP

Team/Corps Name: _____ # of Members: _____ # of Alternates: _____

List the name/division of other groups that the members will compete in: _____

#	Name(put * by alternates)	Age	Birthdate	USTA#	#	Name(put * by alternates)	Age	Birthdate	USTA#
1					11				
2					12				
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