

# SWARM THE FLOOR CHEER & DANCE COMPETITION

February 23, 2020

Hosted by: Defiance College Cheer & Dance

10:30 am	Doors Open
10:30-12:30 am	Team Registrations
TBD (Depends on number of teams)	Warm-ups begin
12:45 am	Head Coaches Meeting
1:15 pm	Competition Begins

The competition is open to school squads, all-star teams and individuals. Schools that have competition squads can also participate if ALL members are current members of the official school squad and must attend the school they represent. Participants can compete in more than one division.

## DIVISIONS • 2019-2020 GRADES

### SCHOOL CHEER & DANCE SQUADS

- Mini – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and under
- Pee Wee – 6<sup>th</sup> grade and under
- Jr. High/Middle School Cheer – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Jr. High/Middle School Dance – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Freshman – 9<sup>th</sup> grade only
- JV – 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade Cheer
- JV – 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade Dance
- Small Varsity – Dance – 10 or less – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Large Varsity – Dance – 11 or more – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Small Varsity – Non-Tumbling – 10 or less – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Large Varsity – Non-Tumbling - 11 or more – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Small Varsity – Tumbling – 10 or less – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Large Varsity – Tumbling - 11 or more – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Small Varsity – Non-Mount – 10 or less – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Large Varsity – Non-Mount - 11 or more – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Small Varsity – Mount – 10 or less – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Large Varsity – Mount - 11 or more – 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Fight Song – 12<sup>th</sup> grade and under



### ALL-STAR CHEER & DANCE SQUADS • Level 1-5.

- Mini All-Stars – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and under
- Youth All Stars – 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under
- Junior All-Stars – 8<sup>th</sup> grade and under
- Senior All-Stars – 12<sup>th</sup> grade and under

\*\*\*Three or less teams in any division may be combined at the discretion of the competition organizers.

### Questions?

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## RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All teams must have at least 3 members. No limit on squad size except Small Varsity, which is 11 members or less. Mascots are allowed to compete; however, they will be counted as a squad member. All participants must be in uniform.
2. Performance time limit is 3 minutes for TEAMS. Performance time limit for FIGHT SONG is 1 minute 30 seconds. Teams may spirit only while being introduced next to the mat. When they take their positions, they will walk quickly onto the mat, place their signs/poms and go to their starting position. **One cheerleader shall raise their arm to signal the announcer that they are ready to be announced.** Time will begin with the first movement or word by a team member, or the first note of music, after the announcer says, "You may now begin your competition". Time will end after the last motion of the routine is held for two seconds. Squads should quickly exit off the mat upon completion of routine. You will be penalized 1 point for each second over the 3-minute time limit for teams and 1:30 fight song.
3. Each team must perform at least one cheer and one dance, in any order.
4. Signs, poms, flags, banners, and megaphones are permitted. **Use of any other prop is prohibited (includes hats, gloves, pieces of material, etc.)**
5. Routine choreography and music selection must be suitable for family viewing. Inappropriate choreography/music will be penalized 10-point deduction per judge.
6. The coach or coach appointed representative will be responsible for running their music during the competition. A sound system with USB CORD or AUXILIARY CORD will be provided. We will not be responsible for technical problems. In the event your routine is interrupted because of failure of our equipment, facilities, etc., or in the case of a serious injury and your routine needs to completely stop, you will be permitted to restart your routine from the beginning or continue from where you stopped-your choice. If an interruption occurs due to your coach or appointed representative, your music, your team/individual must continue with their performance with time running or withdraw from the competition.
7. Each team competitor must be accompanied by a coach or adult 18 years or older. Only two coaches per squad will be admitted into the competition free of charge. Cheerleaders must be in uniform for admittance.
8. **NO GLITTER-Includes spray-on glitter!** Glitter in hair, on uniforms, or on signs is prohibited due to issues with clean-up. Eye glitter is acceptable. Teams using glitter in any other way will be immediately disqualified and asked to leave the event.
9. **NO JEWELRY ALLOWED!** Belly button jewelry must be removed. Tattoos must be covered. 10-point penalty per member will be assessed if not followed.
10. All participants must have a signed **SWARM THE FLOOR FORM** completed and turned in by team registrations prior to or the day of the event. All coaches should have Emergency Information Sheets for all squad members with them the day of the competition in case of accidents or emergencies. NO exceptions.
11. You will receive a confirmation packet by email after the registration deadline, including warm-up time for all teams. Please be sure to include an email address on your registration form. Performance order will be determined by competition hosts.
12. Performance area will be a 54' x 42' Cheer Floor. Tumbling and stunting off the Cheer Floor will result in a 10-point deduction per violation. Picking up props are permissible.

13. The competition will take place in the Defiance College Weaner Community Center Gym. All squads will be issued a warm-up time. If you miss your scheduled time, you will not get mat time. Open tumbling will be held after team warm-ups are completed in the McMaster Gym on mats. The auxiliary gym will be available for practice at any time after all teams have had their second warm-up time. Please be courteous to other teams.
14. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second, and third place teams in each division. The top score of the over-all school competition will determine Grand Champions.
15. No coolers will be permitted. A concession stand will be open during the event.
16. There will be three qualified judges scoring the competition. If entries of teams are high, we will use six judges, where three judges will alternate judging and will judge their respective divisions throughout the competition. All judging and rule interpretations are final.
17. Late registration may be accepted after the deadline of February 1, 2020. Late registration will be subject to a \$25 late fee and team name may not appear on the shirts.
18. Mounting teams must provide their own spotters.
19. You will enter the floor from the east doors of the lobby and exit at the west doors.
20. Deductions: 10 points per judge for inappropriate music/moves, requirement violations, safety, wearing of jewelry, visible tattoo, wearing of glitter (other than face), spirited entrance after being told to begin, tumbling or stunting out of bounds, 1 point for each second over the 3-minute time limit for teams and 1:30 for fight song.
21. In case of a tie, the team/individual with the highest crowd appeal/ showmanship score will be declared the winner.
22. The SWARM THE FLOOR organizers have the right to add, change, delete, or combine divisions.
23. **REFUND POLICY**  
Refunds will ONLY be given when we receive a written notice provided from the head coach stating why you will not be able to attend. There will be NO refunds after February 1, 2020. Refund requests will be reviewed by the COMPETITION administrators. All approved refunds will incur a \$20.00 administration fee which will be deducted from your refund amount.



**Please Return:**      **Team Registration Forms**  
**Registration Form \$75 per team (\$25 fight song, if applicable)**  
**Pre-order t-shirt form • Waiver Form for each team member**

## Swarm the Floor • Cheer & Dance Competition

Hosted by Defiance College Cheer & Dance

**Registration Deadline: Must be POSTMARKED BY FEBRUARY 1, 2020**

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mascot: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach(es): \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Confirmation Packet to:

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone #:

Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Contact E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide an email address as confirmation packets and warm-up times will be sent via e-mail.**

**DIVISIONS: Please Check:** (As of 2019-2020 school year)

### SCHOOL TEAMS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mini Cheer                       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade and under          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pee Wee Cheer                    | 6 <sup>th</sup> grade and under          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. High/Middle School Cheer     | 5 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. High/Middle School Dance     | 5 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> JV Cheer                         | 9 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> grade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> JV Dance                         | 9 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> grade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Varsity Cheer • 10 or less | 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Varsity Dance • 10 or less | 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large Varsity Cheer • 11 or more | 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large Varsity Dance • 11 or more | 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fight Song                       | 12 <sup>th</sup> and below)              |



**Circle: Tumbling / Non-Tumbling • Mounting / Non-Mounting**

### ALL-STAR TEAMS

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|---|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mini All-Stars   | (2 <sup>nd</sup> grade/below)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth All-Stars  | (5 <sup>th</sup> grade/below)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Junior All-Stars | (8 <sup>th</sup> grade/below)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior All-Stars | (12 <sup>th</sup> grade/below) |

**Circle: Tumbling / Non-tumbling • Mounting / Non-Mounting**  
**• Level 1 / Level 2 / Level 3 / Level 4 / Level 5**

# \_\_\_\_\_ Squads competing @ \$75/Squad = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Total)

# \_\_\_\_\_ Fight Song Add On @ \$25/Squad = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Total)

# \_\_\_\_\_ Late Fee @ \$25/Squad (Feb. 1st) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Total)

**TOTAL ENCLOSED**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **(Total Enclosed)**

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Please fill out the name of every athlete, grade and email of the athlete

**TEAM NAME and DIVISION** \_\_\_\_\_

	Athlete's Name	Grade	Athlete's Email
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## Swarm the Floor • Cheer & Dance Competition

Each squad member must complete and turn in the SWARM THE FLOOR Waiver Form  
After the team has registered the parents will be able to complete the form online.

### SWARM THE FLOOR • WAIVER FORM

Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Squad Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, parent/legal guardian (herein after parent) of the above named participant, desires and consents to have my child participate in the **Swarm the Floor • Cheer & Dance Competition, hosted by Defiance College Cheer & Dance**. The parent understands the scope of this activity and agrees all risk of injury resulting to child, whether from participation in the said activity, transportation to and from the activity, and any portion of the activity held on school grounds.

The parent agrees to and shall indemnify and hold harmless and forever discharge competition organizers, Riverdale Local Schools, its Board of Education, the cheerleading department, employees, coaches, and agents from all liability, claims, demands, damages and costs of any kind, including but not limited to attorney's fees incurred in defending against any such claim arising out of the child's participation in the activity, whether caused by the negligence of its organizers, participants, employees or agents, Defiance College, the cheerleading department, or otherwise.

In witness whereof, the parent has executed this indemnity agreement/waiver form this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(day) (month) (year)

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**All participants must have this waiver form signed, completed, and turned in to Event Organizers prior to the competition.**

**Waiver Forms will be accepted the day of the event.**



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**2020 T-SHIRT PRE-ORDER**

**Pre-Order Deadline: Must be POSTMARKED BY FEBRUARY 1, 2020**  
**\$10.00 SS - \$15.00 LS**

(Must include Payment or Shirts will NOT Be Ordered)



Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate # of Sizes Below:

\_\_\_\_\_ Youth Small

\_\_\_\_\_ Youth Medium

\_\_\_\_\_ Youth Large

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult Small

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult Medium

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult Large

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult XL

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult 2XL (\$3.00 Extra)

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult 3XL (\$3.00 Extra)

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

\*\*\*\* I will send out pictures of the shirts in January.



Judge  
# \_\_\_\_\_



# Swarm the Floor Cheer & Dance Competition

Squad Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheerleading Fundamentals	Maximum Points	Points Scored	Comments
<b>Group Techniques</b> Synchronization/Timing and Rhythm	10		
<b>Jumps</b>	10		
<b>Tumbling/ Stunting</b>	10		
<b>Use of Floor/Transitions</b> Formations/ Spacing/Variety	10		
<b>Motions</b> Precision/Unity/Technique	10		
<b>Projection</b> Voice Excitement Level	10		
<b>Routine Execution</b>	<b>Maximum Points</b>	<b>Points Score</b>	
<b>Execution of Routine</b> Originality/ Creativity	10		
<b>Degree of Difficulty</b> Level of Skill/ Pace/Performance	10		
<b>Overall Effect</b> Performance Impression	10		
<b>Crowd Appeal/ Showmanship</b> Eye Contact/Facial Expressions	10		

Team Score (possible 100 points) \_\_\_\_\_

**Penalties/Deductions**

- 10 points per squad for spirited entrance
- 10 points per judge for inappropriate music/moves
- 10 points per squad requirement violation/safety
- 10 points per member wearing of jewelry/glitter, visible tattoo
- 10 points per member tumbling or stunting off the cheer floor
- 1 point per second over time limit (3:00/team and 1:30/fight song)

Penalty Points
- _____

Routine Time: _____
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<b>FINAL SCORE</b>
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Coach's Information:

Head Coach

Name:

School you coach at:

Address of the school:

Best way to contact:

Phone Number:

Email:

Twitter:

Facebook:

Instagram:

Teams/grades you coach:

Assistant Coach

Name:

School you coach at:

Address of the school:

Best way to contact:

Phone Number:

Email:

Twitter:

Facebook:

Instagram:

Teams/grades you coach:

Name:

School you coach at:

Address of the school:

Best way to contact:

Phone Number:

Email:

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