2007 SDCCA Cheer and Dance Championships Saturday, November 3rd Swiftel Center, Brookings, SD

The SDCCA will be hosting its tenth annual competition and would like to invite you to be a part of the excitement. This year we will again be at the Swiftel Center in Brookings. We feel this is a great facility and we are looking forward to being back there. We will again be alternating between cheer and dance with half of the floor for dance and the other half for cheer (we will use a 54' by 54' performance mat). With competitive cheer and dance in its inaugural season, this would be a great opportunity to compete or just come and see what it is all about. Once again SDCCA is excited about the competition and we hope to see many of you in November!

Club Divisions

Cheer: High School Co-ed High School All Girl 7-9 Club 4-6 Youth

K-3 Youth

Dance: Co-ed High School 7-9 Club 4-6 Youth K-3 Youth

Pom Open Jazz

Club teams may have up to 35 participants. Co-ed teams need at least 2 males. Teams or individuals may move up a level (i.e. 6th grade into 7-9), but they cannot move down a level.

School Divisions Sanctioned and Non Sanctioned

Sanctioned Cheer:

AA Large	AA Small	A Large	A Small	B Large	B Small
Co-ed	Stunting/Tumbling		Stunting/Non-tumbling		Non-stunting
Non-sanctioned Cheer:					
AA Large	AA Small	A Large	A Small	B Large	B Small
Co-ed	Stunting/Tumbling		Stunting/Non-tumbling		Non-stunting
Novice	JV Large	JV Small	MS Large	MS Small	_
Sanctioned Dance:					
AA Large	AA Small	A Large	A Small	B Large	B Small
Co-ed	Pom	Jazz/Kick	Funk/HipHop	_	
Non-sanctioned Dance:					
AA Large	AA Small	A Large	A Small	B Large	B Small
Co-ed	Open	Pom	Jazz/Kick	Funk/HipHop	
JV Open	Middle School Open		Youth Open		

School cheer teams include 4-10 for the small divisions and 11-26 for the large divisions. Co-ed teams need at least 2 males. Novice teams may have up to 20 members. Novice teams may compete in other divisions but they can not use the same routine. Junior Varsity and Middle School dance teams may have up to 20 members while youth teams may go up to 35 members. Teams or individuals may move up a level (i.e. 6th grade into middle school), but they cannot move down a level (i.e. 9th grade to middle school). Divisions must have at least 3 entrants. If less than three, a pre-set score must be earned in order to be awarded a place.

Individual

Best Cheerleader-Youth (K-3), Youth (4-6), Middle School (7 & 8), and High School (9-12). Each will do a tumbling entrance, 3 consecutive jumps, and a cheer. **Best Dancer**-Youth (K-3), Youth (4-6), Middle School (7 & 8), and High School (9-12). Each will do a 1 minute routine to his/her own music. Within this routine, 50 percent needs to be dance and 50 percent can be leaps, jumps, turns, etc. Preliminary rounds for both cheer and dance will be held in the main arena. Cheerleaders will be able to perform on the performance mat.

Routines

Maximum time limit for cheer and dance routines is 2 1/2 minutes. Cheer routines must consist of both a cheer and music section in any order. Sanctioned cheer teams can have a maximum of 1 minute 15 seconds of music. Cheer teams may also perform in the pom category of dance, however, no stunts or cheers will be allowed. On the day of the competition, please bring a labeled copy (CD or tape) of your music-a back up copy of your music is recommended.

Judges

A highly knowledgeable panel of 4 cheer judges and 4 dance judges plus safety judges will be used. Please refer to the *National Federation Spirit Rules Book* and the rules set forth by the SDHSAA to insure your squad will not be penalized for safety and/or rules infractions. Because the National Federation makes no distinction between school and club, club teams will need to follow the same guidelines. SDCCA will reserve the right to disallow club teams to perform who knowingly perform routines that contain illegal stunts, etc.

Awards

Trophies will be awarded to the first and second place teams in each division. In addition, trophies will be awarded to the Grand Champions in both cheer and dance. Individual awards will be given to the best cheerleader and the best dancer in both the high school and youth divisions. In the club divisions, the same team will not be allowed to compete more than once for the Grand Champion.

Registration

The registration fee is \$60 for each routine. The individual competitions have a \$20 fee/entrant. Registrations are due by Wednesday, October 18th. A late fee of \$20 will be charged after October 19th with no more registrations taken after October 25th. If your

squad withdraws from the competition, no refunds will be issued. Registration forms and medical release forms can be downloaded from our Website at www.SDCCA@k12.sd.us. Mail your registration form and check (payable to SDCCA) to: Brittney Eide, P.O. Box 156, Corsica, SD 57328. Bring the completed release forms on the day of the competition. If you have any questions, please call Brittney at (605) 946-5475, 946-5232, or e-mail Brittney.Eide@k12.sd.us.

We're looking forward to an exciting competition once again this year! Brittney Eide, President South Dakota Cheer Coaches Association