

THE --- ONE

Coaches Information Packet

THE ONE: Cheer and Dance Finals currently hosts three championship events: North Finals in Chicago, South Finals in New Orleans, and the East Finals in Virginia Beach. Participating Event Producers have awarded bids to **FIRST-PLACE TEAMS ONLY** at their events to compete at these unique end-of-season events. Both all-star cheer and dance teams are eligible to compete in All-Star Cheer levels 1-6, as well as the Dance styles of Pom, Jazz, Hip Hop, and Open.

THE ONE: Cheer and Dance Finals are **exclusive events**, where only teams that have placed **FIRST** in their division at qualifying events are eligible to attend. **This makes the honor of competing at THE ONE, special for these teams! They are the “Best of the Best” in their respective divisions/levels!!!**

Schedules

The Performance Order will be sent out the Monday before around 6pm! For athletes and parents it will be posted by Tuesday morning on theonefinals.com. If you have any cross overs please email Amber at amber@myteamchampion.com as early as possible. She will do her best to accommodate your needs.

There will **not** be copies of the schedule at the competition venue, so please have your parents plan to print or download a copy of the schedule to your mobile device prior to the event.

Online Coverage

Be sure to tell your friends and family that there will be coverage on Saturday and Sunday of THE ONE Finals on our Facebook and Twitter pages:

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-ONE-Cheer-Dance-Finals/456879344345013>

Twitter: <https://www.twitter.com/theonefinals>

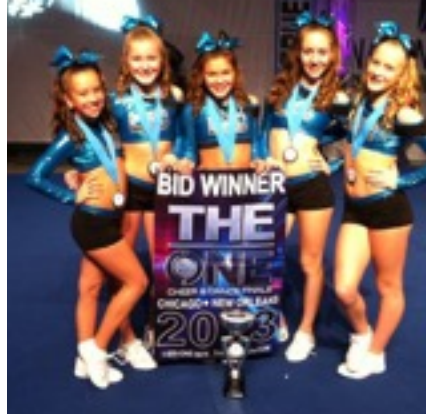
Instant Replay/DVDS

THE ONE: Cheer and Dance Finals offers video instant replay for teams and DVD sales for parents at each event. Visit www.mrvideoonline.com for more information.

Team Photos/Action Photos

THE ONE: Cheer and Dance Finals offers Team and Action shots for sale for parents at each event courtesy of Andrew J Knowles! Follow him on Instagram at **@andrew_knowles!**

* We allow parents to take photos and video tape their children with their phones or small camera as long as they **ARE NOT** in the viewing section in front of the stage. Feel free to take as many photos as you would like!



Crossovers

Crossovers are permitted to compete at The ONE: Cheer and Dance Finals. There is a \$30 discount for crossovers, but athletes are allowed to compete on up to three different teams at the same gym. Crossovers, however, cannot represent two separate gyms at our event.

Scoring

Scoring will be 50/50. All teams will be scored using the judging system of The ONE Finals. All scoring information can be found on our website at www.theonefinals.com/scoring.

Warm-up Information

Please check-in no later than 10 minutes prior to your scheduled practice time. On Saturday please report to Photos at your Report time to have a team picture taken! You will have 5 minutes on each floor!(This is subjected to change due to filming restrictions)

General Competition Guidelines

1. Routine performance time may not exceed two minutes and thirty seconds. Timing will begin with the first movement, voice, or note of music, whichever comes first. If a team exceeds the time limit, a deduction may be assessed. It is recommended that all teams time their music several times prior to attending the competition and leave a cushion of several seconds to be safe.
2. Participants must start in the competition area and teams may line up anywhere inside the competition area. The competition area will consist of a 54' x 42' spring floor for all teams.
3. All organized entrances (tumbling, chants, etc.) are considered part of the routine and are timed as part of the performance. There should not be any organized exits after the official routine ends, as it may continue your total routine time.
4. Any team in violation of the Specific Safety Regulations will be assessed a deduction for each violation.

Interruption of Performance

If, in the opinion of the competition officials, a team's routine is interrupted because of failure of the competition equipment, facilities, or other factors attributable to the competition rather than the team, the team affected or competition officials may stop the routine.

If a routine is interrupted because of failure of the team's own equipment/music, the team must continue the routine.

The only persons that may stop a routine for an injury are:

- Competition Officials
- Gym Owner/Head Coach
- Injured Individual

The degree and effect of the interruption will be determined by the competition officials. The competition officials will determine if the team will be allowed to perform at a later time. If allowed, the team will perform the routine again in its entirety, but will be evaluated only from the point where the interruption occurred. The time at which this second performance occurs will be at the sole discretion of competition officials.

If an athlete has been injured, and wishes to still compete, they will not be allowed to return to the competition floor unless the competition officials receive official clearance from the medical personnel on site, a parent/guardian, and the coach of that team. If the medical personnel do not clear the participant, the athlete may only return to the competition floor with an authorization from a parent or guardian on site. In the event of a suspected concussion, the participant cannot return to the competition floor without clearance from a medical professional, even if they have permission from their parent or legal guardian.

How to handle questions, comments, or concerns

Any questions regarding competition rules or regulations will be handled by one designated representative of the team (i.e. gym owner, program director, head coach) and will be directed only to a competition official. Questions regarding scoring should be addressed on a Scoring Challenge Form. A scoring review team is more than happy to answer any questions you may have about your score sheets. Mr. Video offers a free replay if you would like to review your routine. If you would like to sit down with a review judge there will be a \$50 fee.

Sportsmanship

All participants, coaches, and spectators agree to conduct themselves in a manner displaying good sportsmanship prior to, during, and following the event. The directors and coaches of each team are responsible for ensuring that all parties associated with their program conduct themselves accordingly. Severe cases of unsportsmanlike conduct are grounds for disqualification from this event.

Scores/Rankings

When score sheets will be available to coaches for pick-up you will receive a text message.

Please make sure when you check in on Saturday you leave the BEST number to reach you at. After you pick up your score sheets you have 15 minutes to review your score sheets and ask any questions you may have!

Awards

Each athlete will receive an individual medal regardless of placement. First, Second, and Third Place teams will receive a team plaque. All first place teams will receive trophies at the event and Champion Jackets that will be shipped to your gym locations. Each division-winning team will advance onto the Virtual Finals where they will go head-to-head against the South Finals Champion. Each division champion in the Virtual Finals will receive Champion Rings that will be shipped to you following the Virtual Championship on May 16.

Appearances, Endorsements, and Publicity

All teams participating in The ONE: Cheer and Dance Finals agree that any video footage or photographs can be used for future marketing and advertising purposes by either The ONE Finals, or any vendor or sponsor associated with the event.

