



Oregon School Activities Association

Application for Sanction of a Cheerleading Competition

Date _____

On behalf of _____ located at _____
(Sponsoring school or organization) (Street)

_____, I hereby apply for sanction of the following cheerleading competition:
(City) (State) (ZIP)

(Name of event)

on _____, 20____, to be held at _____
(Facility)

The competition shall be directed by: _____ Phone: (Work) _____
(Event Director) (Home) _____
Email: _____

The maximum number of schools which shall compete is: _____

The competitive divisions which shall be offered are: _____

Maximum value of awards is: _____ Entry Fees: _____

Anticipated profits (if any): _____ Profits will be used for: _____

Number of judges needed*: _____ Anticipated starting time: _____

*NOTE: Competitions sanctioned after the Judge Adjudication Workshops are completed will not be guaranteed two panels of judges.

The undersigned certifies that the above listed contest shall satisfy any and all "Required Contest Conditions" specified on the reverse of this application.

Signed: _____ Position: _____

Mail or FAX completed form to: Oregon School Activities Association
25200 SW Parkway Avenue, Suite 1
Wilsonville, OR 97070-9616
FAX: 503-682-0960

Date: _____

I recommend that this competition be (sanctioned) (NOT sanctioned).

Date Notification Letter Mailed: _____

Reason, if not sanctioned: _____

OSAA Asst. Executive Director of Activities

CHEERLEADING SANCTIONING PROCEDURES

- 3.1. Sanctioning.** Any organization wishing to host a cheerleading competition in the state of Oregon must apply for sanction of the competition by the OSAA. Form is available for download from the OSAA website, www.osaa.org, Handbook and Forms section.

NO OSAA MEMBER SCHOOL MAY ATTEND A CHEERLEADING COMPETITION IN OREGON, WHICH HAS NOT RECEIVED OFFICIAL SANCTION BY THE OSAA PRIOR TO THE CONTEST. Schools wishing to confirm sanction of a specific event may consult the "OSAA Sanctioned Cheer Competition Calendar" on the OSAA website, www.osaa.org, on the Cheer homepage.

- 3.1.1. Timeline.** Any school or organization may submit a single Sanction Application for the following school year by June 1 of the preceding school year after which the OSAA shall post a preliminary calendar on the OSAA website with events received prior to June 1 being the only events listed. If more than one sponsor has requested the same date, sanctions shall be granted using the criteria listed below. Following the release of the preliminary calendar, OSAA will consider other requests for sanctioned events to be added to the calendar.

Incomplete sanction applications (missing location, etc.) shall not be accepted.

- 3.1.2. Maximum number of events per date.** The OSAA shall grant a maximum of **TWO** event sanctions for any particular date **with the option of a third competition on a particular date at the discretion of the OSAA and the Advisory OCCA Calendar Subcommittee.**

If more than **two** contest sponsors request sanction for events on the same date, sanctions shall be granted to only **two** contests **except as indicated above** using the following criteria the order of priority listed:

- (a) Priority shall be given to events for which the sponsor has previously hosted a contest on that date. In order to receive priority, the previous host shall be required to apply for an event sanction by June 1 prior to the school year during which the event is to be held.
- (b) To the extent possible, avoid sanctioning more than one contest in the same region of the state on the same date.
- (c) Priority shall be given to sponsors from whom the fewest requests for sanction have been received this season.

- 3.1.3. Advisory OCCA Calendar Subcommittee.** A subcommittee of the Oregon Cheerleading Coaches Association (OCCA) Executive Board shall advise the OSAA in resolving cheerleading date conflicts, but the OSAA shall retain final decision making authority.

- 3.2. Required Contest Conditions.** Organizations applying for OSAA sanction shall agree to the following contest conditions.

- 3.2.1. Safety Rules.** Participating squads must be required to conform to the rules set forth in the current National Federation Spirit Rules Book.

- 3.2.2. Eligibility.** Participating squads must represent high schools registered with the OSAA to compete in cheerleading, and the individual squad members must satisfy the OSAA student eligibility rules for cheerleading. The signature of the school principal on the entry form for the competition shall constitute fulfillment of this requirement.

- 3.2.3. Rules Interpretations.** An OSAA representative or designee shall be named as Technical Judge prior to the competition. That person or a committee formed by that person shall be the only and final interpreter of the safety rules at the competition.

A decision of the Technical Judge is final and is not open to review, debate or appeal.

- 3.2.4. Judges.** Judges for locally sponsored contests (including the Technical Judge) shall be assigned from the "OCCA Judges List" available from the current OCCA Judge / Competition Coordinator.

Scores assigned by the Performance Judges are final and are not open to review, debate or appeal.

- 3.2.5. Spotters.** At least two qualified and experienced spotters shall be provided on the performance floor to help reduce the chance of injury to participants, and shall be assigned from the "OCCA Spotter List" available from the OCCA Spotter Coordinator.

- 3.2.6. Performance Surface.** A wrestling or cheerleading mat is required for all levels of competition.

- 3.2.7. Awards.** Students may only accept awards of a symbolic nature without resale value such as letters, medals, ribbons, certificates, plaques, trophies and other emblems. Awards with monetary or resale value must be presented to the school.

- 3.3. Contest Recommendations.** The following are suggestions which sponsoring organizations may wish to include in their competitions.

- 3.3.1.** Coaches appreciate a short meeting on the morning of the competition to introduce competition personnel, answer last minute questions, etc.

- 3.3.2.** Depending upon the quantity of squads entered, divisions may be subdivided based upon school size, squad size and / or squad gender.

- 3.3.3.** Coaches appreciate having score sheets and specific competition results available to them immediately following the competition.