



# IDAHO STATE DANCE & CHEER CHAMPIONSHIPS

*Sponsored by Idaho Coaches of Dance & Cheer*  
*Co-Sponsored by Idaho High School Activities Association*  
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## DANCE

### Qualifying For State 2011

Dance/Drill teams will qualify for State at a designated district/regional qualifying competition in any of the following divisions: Dance, Hip Hop, Kick, Military, Prop.

1. **Regular Qualification:** To qualify for state, teams must place in the top half, or major portion thereof, of the total number of routines by in-district schools of their classification. Exception: n districts with just one team in a classification, that school may enter routines in state without qualifying at the tournament unless otherwise required by that district's board of control.

**Alternates:** Districts may submit *one* alternate in each qualifying division. Alternates will be entered in state only if a team of that division in their own district drops or is unable to attend. If more than one team drops, additional alternates will not be allowed.

2. **Hardship Qualification** After teams in the top half have qualified, the team with the next highest score (cheer) or next lowest ordinal (dance) in each qualifying division may request a hardship qualification for state. The hardship must be in written form and should thoroughly explain the reason for the hardship. The request should include previous competition results from the current year against teams in their areas. The request must be signed by the school principal and superintendent. Requests and supporting documents must be sent to the IHSAA office no later than one week after the conclusion of their district qualifier. Late or incomplete materials will not be accepted. A committee consisting of representatives of the IHSAA, ICDC Board and tournament management will review each application. The school will be notified of the decision within three school days. The decision of the committee is final.
3. **Classifications:** Teams shall qualify in their assigned IHSAA dance classification: 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A. (*In cheer & dance, 2A & 1A are combined into one division*) State qualifying routines must be determined by classification from in-district schools only. However, for the purpose of awards, district qualifying competitions may combine classifications and and/or invite out-of-district schools.

### Divisions of Competition

**Dance** Time limit: 2-3 minutes. Routine emphasis: technique, style, interpretation. Not permitted: creating a storyline, character development, costume changes, hand props, stage props, or backdrops.

**Hip Hop** Time limit: 2-3 minutes. Routine emphasis: synchronization, technique, style, musicality. All aspects of the routine, including music, choreography, costuming and concept must be appropriate for public performance at the high school level. Permitted: hand props. Not permitted: stage props or backdrops.

**Kick** Time limit: 2-3 minutes. Routine emphasis: technique, style, variety of kicks, presentation. Kicks must be performed for at least 50% of routine length. Permitted: hand props. Not permitted: stage props or backdrops.

**Military** Time limit: 2-3 minutes. Routine emphasis: precision, maneuvering, and formations. Costumes must be military style or generic school costumes. Not permitted: storylines, character development, costume changes, hand props, stage props, or backdrops.

**Prop** Time limit: 2-3 minutes. Routine emphasis: staging, skill & creativity in utilization and manipulation of props. Props must be used for at least 80% of routine length. Permitted: stage props used as bases only. Not permitted: creating a storyline, character development or backdrops.

## Dance/Drill District Qualifying Competitions - 2011

Dist I/II	Dist I/II State Qualifier	Feb. 26, Lake City HS	Contact: Katie Ball, Kamiah HS
Dist III	Dist III Dance Comp	Feb. 26, Columbia HS	Contact: Susan Wortman, 870-6111
Dist IV	4 <sup>th</sup> Dist Cheer & Dance	Feb 5, Twin Falls HS	Contact: Cari Libby, Twin Falls HS
Dist V	Dist V Cheer & Dance	Feb. 12, Pocatello HS	Contact: Julie Green, Malad HS
Dist VI	6 <sup>th</sup> Dist Dance Festival	Feb. 19, Bonneville HS	Contact: Krista Briggs, Rigby

## Reporting Qualifiers / Registering for State

1. **District Manager Responsibility:** District Managers must send a report of state qualifiers along with all required team information to the state director *by Monday following* their qualifying tournament.
2. **Individual School Responsibility:** Coaches must register their school's qualifiers within 1 week of their qualifying tournament. Register online at [www.idahodanceandcheer.com](http://www.idahodanceandcheer.com). Online registration is required before a team will be entered in State.

## State Entry Fees

2011 State Championship entry fees, if any, will be determined after the state championship and will depend on whether sufficient attendance revenue is collected to pay tournament expenses.

1. If participation fees are assessed, teams whose coach is an ICDC member as of January 1 will be charged less than teams whose coach is not a member of ICDC.
2. Coaches wishing to become ICDC members will receive the discount only if membership payment (\$25) is received by January 1, 2011.
3. Teams that were 2010 Grand Champion are exempt from paying entry fees.

## Competition Schedule

This year, cheer will compete before dance in all classifications. A tentative schedule of events will be available soon. The start times listed below are approximate and may be adjusted after qualifiers are determined:

1. **3A/2A** Cheer competition begins at 8:00 a.m.; dance competition begins at 10:15. 3A/2A awards for both cheer and dance will follow at approximately 1:30 p.m.
2. **5A/4A** Cheer competition begins at 2:30 p.m.; dance competition begins at 4:45. 5A/4A awards for both cheer and dance will follow at approximately 8:30 p.m.

## Prop & Shoe Inspection

Technical judges will inspect all props and shoes in order to ensure that the Idaho Center floor is protected from damage. Any prop or shoe that does not meet the following criteria will not be allowed on the floor:

1. **Stage Props:** all props that will be pushed on or carried onto the floor must have sufficient protective covering on all surfaces that will or might touch the floor, including bottoms, corners and edges. This requirement includes wheels on large or heavy props and those that will hold a performer.
2. **Hand props:** Any hard or sharp edges, ends or points of a hand prop that will intentionally strike or rest on the floor must have sufficient protective covering.
3. **Shoes:** All shoes must have non-marking soles.

## State Awards

1. **Division Awards:** Trophies will be awarded by classification in each division of competition. Number of trophies awarded will be based on the number of teams competing in that division/classification:
2. **Grand Champions:** A grand champion for each classification will be determined by combining the adjusted (penalties deducted) scores for each team's top three events. Grand champions will receive an IHSAA state championship trophy and UDI state championship banner.