

2023 POP WARNER CHEER & DANCE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

EVENT FAQs & HELPFUL HINTS



DRIVING DIRECTIONS

- The event will take place at the Orange County Convention Center, North Hall A&B.
- Address: **Orange County Convention Center, North Hall (9400 Universal Blvd. Orlando, FL 32819)**

PARKING & EVENT TRANSPORTATION

- Attendees are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to take event bus transportation from their hotels to avoid parking fees and receive a more expedited entry into the venue. Buses will run between Delta Hotel Celebration, Renaissance SeaWorld, Doubletree SeaWorld, Westgate Lakes, Wyndham Orlando I-Drive, Holiday Inn Lake Buena Vista to the Orange County Convention Center. All buses will drop off conveniently at the front entrance of North Hall.
- All spectators who have purchased the base package have venue tickets included already via wristband.
- For all other spectators tickets = \$25 single day or \$40 length of event (tax inclusive).
- A wristband will be issued for each length of event ticket upon arrival on your first day of competition – it can be shown daily to expedite admission (once tightened the wristband cannot be removed).
- Wristband must be shown **EVERYDAY** for entry – if lost, damaged, or altered, a new ticket must be purchased
- Buses will run throughout the entirety of the competition and times vary by day. Reference bus stop signage for exact times.
- Spectators taking event transportation must have purchased the Pop Warner Super Bowl and Cheer & Dance Nationals Package and wear wristbands to board buses.
- Parking is \$20 per car, per entry. \$30 parking for oversized vehicles. If a vehicle must leave the parking lot, they must pay an additional parking fee to re-enter.
- Volunteers will park in the North/South Parking lot with parking vouchers.

ATHLETES & COACHES CREDENTIALS/LANYARDS

- All athletes & coaches must register prior to their first activity by signing a participation waiver online.
 - All athletes & coaches must show their lanyard to enter the venue.
 - Access to Athlete/Coach only areas throughout the venue will have signage and be monitored by volunteers.
- **LOST LANYARD** - if lost/misplaced, the coach must purchase a single day ticket to gain access to event and work with Pop Warner staff to get clearance for access to athlete/coach only areas.

SPECTATOR TICKETING

- We **STRONGLY ENCOURAGE** buying entry tickets prior to arrival to avoid long lines and expedite the entry process.
- **ALL SPECTATORS WHO HAVE PURCHASED THE POP WARNER SUPER BOWL AND CHEER & DANCE NATIONALS PACKAGE HAVE VENUE TICKETS INCLUDED ALREADY – DISTRIBUTION OF VENUE ENTRY WRISTBANDS WILL OCCUR AT THE ORANGE COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER.**
- All tickets will be paperless & available via QR code from the website, resort signage & at venue entry.
- Tickets are \$20 for a single day (tax included). Children are free prior to their 2nd birthday.
- Box Office for ticket sales is in the North Hall Concourse, to the right of the main entrance.

LOCATION DETAILS

- **PRACTICE**
 - Practice will take place in North Hall B. Teams checking in for practice should enter through the doorway labeled North Hall B.
 - Teams will only be admitted into the practice area during their scheduled time. No spectators will be permitted in this area.
- **WARM-UP**
 - Warm-up will take place at the rear of North Hall A2. Teams checking in for warm-up should enter through the doorway labeled North Hall B. They will check-in and be escorted by a volunteer to their warm-up area.
 - Teams will only be admitted in the warm-up area during their scheduled warm-up/competition time. No spectators will be permitted in this area.
- **COMPETITION**
 - Competition will take place in North Hall A2. Teams will be escorted to the backstage competition area by a volunteer following their warm-up.

BUSES

- Buses will run during all competition hours – credentials (athletes/coaches) or wristbands (spectators) **MUST** be shown to access buses.

- Buses will be designated with color and number associated with your home resort – please look for these indicators:

ROUTE #1 – DELTA HOTEL CELEBRATION

ROUTE #2 – RENAISSANCE SEA WORLD

ROUTE #3 – DOUBLETREE SEA WORLD

ROUTE #4 – WESTGATE LAKES

ROUTE #5 – WYNDHAM ORLANDO

ROUTE #6 – HOLIDAY INN LAKE BUENA VISTA

RESTROOMS

- Restrooms are available throughout the Orange County Convention Center.

CONCESSIONS/FOOD

- Multiple concession stands will be available to purchase food and beverage during the event in the North Hall Lobby and the competition hall in A2.

PHOTOGRAPHY

- UEP photographers will be photographing action shots during all competitions and awards ceremonies. A team photo will also be taken prior to each team's competition.
- On-site sales kiosks will be in North Hall A2 and A1. Photographs will also be available to purchase online.
- Cameras or video-recording devices with telephoto lenses will not be permitted.

MERCHANDISE

- Pop Warner specific merchandise will be sold in multiple locations within the Convention Center.
- Pre-purchased merchandise can be picked up in Room N210A.

STROLLERS/WHEELCHAIRS

- Personal strollers & wheelchairs are permitted inside the Orange County Convention Center.

PETS

- We welcome guide or assistance dogs utilized by the disabled or visually impaired – all other animals are prohibited.

LOST & FOUND

- For inquiries regarding lost and found, please see a staff member at the ticketing registration desk. If you find a lost item, please turn it in to the nearest staff member or volunteer.

SMOKING POLICY

- Smoking is not allowed inside the Orange County Convention Center. Designated smoking areas outside the building's main entrance area available for those that need them.

WI-FI

- Free Wi-Fi is available at the Orange County Convention Center.

MEDICAL

- Anyone needing medical assistance should alert the nearest staff member or volunteer to be directed to the nearest medical personnel. For life-threatening emergencies, dial 911 and then notify the nearest staff member or volunteer.
- Medical staff and an ambulance will be stationed on the property during all practice and competition hours. Athletic trainers will be located within the practice and warm-up area for athletes.

WATER/ICE

- Ice water coolers will be available in practice and warmups for athletes and coaches.
- We encourage teams/spectators to bring refillable water bottles to take advantage of refilling stations & reduce waste.

SECURITY

- Magnetic screening & bag checks will be enforced upon entry to the halls.
- Clear bag policy in place for spectators - size 14"x14"x6" – plastic, vinyl or PVC are acceptable as well as one-gallon clear plastic freezer bags (Ziploc or similar).
- A designated athlete/coach entrance will be in place to accommodate bags needed specifically for our competitors.
- An exception will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection at a gate designated for this purpose.
- Diapers can be carried in permissible 12"x6"x12" clear bags.
- All bags are subject to search upon entering halls.
- Security personnel will be stationed throughout the venues. An Orlando Police Department officer will also be on-site during all competition hours.
- For an emergency, please seek out any staff member for assistance. For life-threatening emergencies, dial 911 and then notify a staff member.

PROHIBITED ITEMS AND ACTIVITIES:

- Airhorns
- Glass bottles
- Cycles
- Drones
- Firearms/weapons of any kind
- Fireworks
- Illegal drugs
- Laser Pointers
- Costume masks
- Pets (except service animals)
- Poles longer than 12"
- Skates
- Skateboards
- Signs with indecent or derogatory
- comments/images, political statements and commercial references
- Unauthorized solicitation, handbills, giveaways or sampling

NOTE: prohibited items and items determined inappropriate for entry into the stadium will be the responsibility of the ticket holder and cannot be accepted or checked by the Orange County Convention Center or the Orlando Police Department. We urge spectators to secure these items in vehicles.

Scan below for up-to-date information on transportation, ticketing and more!

