

# 2021 Florida Baton & Dance Regional Championship

This is a Super Regional Competition. All surrounding states are welcome.  
Open events are offered for Titles, as well as Elementary, Middle, High School, and Collegiate  
Twirling & Dance Teams.



## CONTEST DIRECTORS:

Candice Dowdy (407) 617-9358 and Maria Cortes (407) 704-9977

**CONTEST DATE: Saturday, April 17, 2021**

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Postmarked by **March 23, 2021** (Awards must be ordered)

*Entries received after this date will be charged a late fee of \$5.00 per event, maximum \$20.00*

**CONTEST LOCATION: East River High School  
650 East River Falcons Way, Orlando, FL 32833**

**TIME:** Doors open at 8:00am; Contest will begin promptly at 8:30am

**All events will be your Contest Age  
as of December 31, 2021**

**AAU MEMBERSHIP IS NOT REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN OPEN EVENTS**

# GENERAL CONTEST INFO:

- **AAU BATON & DANCE RULES:** The 2021 AAU Baton Twirling Rulebook and the 2021 Dance Rulebook are available at [www.aaubaton.org](http://www.aaubaton.org) with submission of entry forms. AAU Membership must be obtained **PRIOR** to submitting entry (**NOTE AGES 18+:** Membership is not instant so please allow several days to process).
- **FACILITY FEE:** There will be a one-time \$15 facility fee per athlete. The facility fee will be in place of a door fee.  
**All solo and team participants** must pay this fee with their solo or team entry form.
- **PAYMENT:** Make checks payable to: Candice Dowdy. All fees due with entries by March 23, 2021. \$30 Returned Check Fee.  
  
If you would like to pay through PAYPAL, we can send you an invoice by emailing us at: [candicedowdyaa@gmail.com](mailto:candicedowdyaa@gmail.com). There will be a 3% service fee for all PAYPAL transactions.
- **REFUNDS:**  
\*\*No refunds on entry fees or credits to other competitions will be given.
- **CHANGES TO ENTRIES:** The contest director reserves the right to make any changes deemed necessary. No changes by contestants may be made once an entry is received. ONLY errors made by the contest director will be corrected the day of the contest.  
**NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED THE DAY OF THE CONTEST.**
- **FOOD:** A concession stand will be provided during the day. Outside food or drinks are allowed, but not in the gym.
- **MUSIC:** All team and solo events that require music must email the music director an **MP3 file** to [kemericaaau@gmail.com](mailto:kemericaaau@gmail.com) by the **March 23rd** entry deadline. Music will be played on a laptop through the sound system at the contest. Team directors and Solo Dancers should also bring two forms of back-up copies for your music (i.e. iPod, CD) to the contest.

- **WAIVERS:** Waivers must be signed & submitted with entry form for every participant in the competition (solo and team members). Participants will not be allowed to participate unless the necessary forms have been properly completed and signed by a parent/legal guardian or participant.

## ORDER OF EVENTS

### SATURDAY:

- 8:00am Gym Opens; Contest Starts 8:30am
- All Team Events
- All Solo Events with Music or that require full floor
- All remaining Individual Solo Events
- Team awards announced during afternoon
- Final Awards Presentation at end of day

*AAU Baton & Dance Solo / Team Awards for all events **THAT ARE NOT** championships will be posted as they are available.*

*Individuals can pick up awards after their last event.*

*Team Directors, please pick up team awards at the end of Contest*

## AAU MEMBERSHIP INFO:

- Participants who are **AAU Members**
  - Eligible to win the Academic All-American Award and a scholarship.
  - Eligible to qualify to participate in the 2021 Junior Olympic Games.
- **AAU Membership is not included in the event entry fee.**
- AAU Membership must be obtained **BEFORE** competition day in order to receive member benefits and qualifications.
- Participants are encouraged to visit the AAU Website at [www.aausports.org](http://www.aausports.org) to obtain membership.
- This event is licensed by the Amateur Athletic Union of the U.S., Inc.

## AAU BATON & OPEN EVENTS

**Contest Age:** Age as of 12/31/2021

**Age Divisions, Levels, & Requirements:**  
See 2021 AAU Baton Twirling Rulebook.

### AAU Team Events Offered:

Twirling Team, Dance-Twirl Team, Novelty Twirl Team, Street Parade Team, Show Twirl Team, Auxiliary Majorette Line, College Majorette Line, Auxiliary Pom Line, Auxiliary Dance Line, Auxiliary Drill Team, Auxiliary Guard, Twirling Corps, & Parade Corps.

**Open Team Events:** (These teams do not qualify for AAU Junior Olympics)  
Dance-Twirl Team and Novelty Twirl Team for Elementary, Middle, High School, and Collegiate.

### Team Sizes for Twirling Team, Dance-Twirl Team, Novelty Twirl Team, Auxiliary

**Majorette Line:** Extra-Small (2-3), Small (4-9), Large (10-19), Extra-Large (20+)

**Team Sizes for Corps:** Small (10-14), Large (15-19), Extra Large (20+)

**Team Sizes for All Other Events:** Small (4-9), Large (10-19), Extra-Large (20+)

**Cost:** \$12.50 per person, per routine.

## AAU BATON SOLO EVENTS

**Contest Age:** Age as of 12/31/2021

**Age Divisions, Levels, & Requirements for Baton Solo Events:** See 2021 AAU Baton Twirling Rulebook.

### AAU Baton Solo Events Offered:

Basic Strut, Military Strut, Parade Strut, X-Strut, Straight-Line Strut, One-Baton, Two-Baton, Three-Baton, Multiple Baton, Hoop, Flag, Dance Twirl Solo, Novelty Solo, Collegiate Half-Time, Collegiate Downfield

## SOLO CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

**NOTE:** These Championship Events are NOT qualifying events for the AAU Junior Olympic Games. These are Title Events for the Florida District Only.

### EVENTS & REQUIREMENTS:

- ◆ **Florida Twirling All-Star:** X-Strut, One-Baton Solo and Two-Baton Solo
  - Solo One-Baton determines competition level (One-baton score is used to break tie).
  - Levels offered: Novice, Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced
- ◆ **Florida Parade Majorette:** Perform Basic, Military Strut, and Parade Strut (Basic score is used to break tie).
  - Levels offered: Novice and Beginner only.
- ◆ **Open Elementary, Middle, High, Collegiate Champion:** Perform either a Dance Twirl solo or a Novelty solo.
  - 2020-2021 school year grade determines division.
  - Levels offered:
    - Elementary: Grades 1-5
    - Middle: Grades 6-8
    - High: Grades 9-12
    - Collegiate

*NOTE: Twirlers do not have to twirl for their school line to compete in these divisions.*

## AAU ALL-AROUND BATON CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT

If you wish to enter the AAU All-Around Championship event at the 2021 AAU Junior Olympic Games competition, you must enter **ALL** of the events required for your division (refer to Rulebook for the list of required events).

A bid to compete in the AAU Junior Olympics will be awarded to all who have entered the required categories for their Championship level.

## DANCE TEAM EVENTS

**AGE DIVISIONS:** 0-6 (Tot), 7-9 (Juvenile), 10-13 (Junior), 14 -18 (Senior), 19-22 College (University/College), 23+ (Adult)

**CONTEST AGE:** AGE AS OF 12/31/2021

**TEAM SIZES (All Teams Except Production):** Extra-Small (2-3), Small (4-9), Large (10-19), Extra-Large (20+)

**PRODUCTION TEAM SIZE:** 10+

**LEVELS:** Recreational (no more than 1 ½ hrs in studio per wk), Competitive (more than 1 ½ hrs in studio per week), School Team

**COST:** \$12.50 per person, per routine

**AWARDS:** Each team member receives a medal; results posted; directors pick up team awards.

**TIME LIMITS:** 1 ½-3 min (all teams except production); 6-8 min (production)

**DANCE RULES:** Will follow 2021 AAU Dance Rules.

**DANCE TEAM EVENTS:** Pom, Jazz, Lyrical, Modern/Contemporary, Hip Hop, Kick, Musical Theater/Character, Novelty, Mix, Production

## AWARDS

### All AAU Baton & Dance Events:

- Medals for Individual and Team Events
- Results will be posted for each event
- Awards can be picked up at the end of the day
- Directors pick up team events at the end of the day

### AAU Championship Events:

- Trophy & Championship Prize for 1<sup>st</sup> Place
- Trophy for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Places

### PLACEMENTS & QUALIFICATIONS:

**Solo Events:** Medals for 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place (Top 10 qualify for AAU Junior Olympics)

**Team Events:** Medals for 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place (Top 6 for each event qualify for AAU Junior Olympics)

## FLORIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN AWARD

The application for the 2021 Florida Academic All-American Baton and Dance Award is attached in this entry packet. This award recognizes athletes for their academic achievements. It is open to all athletes that enter either solo or team events. One Award Winner will be selected from each; Elementary, Middle, High School, and College level. The winners will be announced at the contest and will be able to pick up their award. Applications must be mailed with entry. NO ENTRY FEE.

**AAU MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARD.**

## HOTELS IN ORLANDO, FL

- **Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites:** Orlando East UCF Area. 12250 East Colonial Drive, Orlando FL 32826. Tel #: 407-203-8595
- **Comfort Suites:** UCF/Research Park. 12101 Challenger Parkway, Orlando FL 32826. Tel #: 407-737-7303
- **Best Western:** 8750 East Colonial Drive, Orlando FL 32817. Tel #: 407-282-3900



# FLORIDA CHAMPIONSHIP T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

PLEASE MAIL WITH SOLO OR TEAM ENTRY FORM; MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 23, 2021

ATHLETE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_



## ***CUSTOM T-SHIRT***

SHIRT COLOR: MAROON

### CHAMPIONSHIP T-SHIRT ORDERS

Select Size	Size	Cost
	Youth Small 6-8	\$15
	Youth Medium 10-12	\$15
	Youth Large 14-16	\$15
	Adult Small	\$15
	Adult Medium	\$15
	Adult Large	\$15
	Adult X-Large	\$15
	Adult 2XL	\$20
<b>TOTAL QUANTITY:</b>		<b>TOTAL COST:</b>

NOTE: ADD TOTAL AMOUNT OF SHIRT ORDER TO ENTRY FORM  
Be sure to include this form with your entry.

**SHIRTS CAN BE PICKED UP AT THE CHECK-IN TABLE UPON ARRIVAL AT THE COMPETITION.**



# FLORIDA BATON SOLO ENTRY

AAU MEMBERSHIP NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED BELOW

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE AS OF 12-31-2021: \_\_\_\_\_ AAU MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS (City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT GUARDIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ TEXTING: YES NO

COACH: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDIO/TEAM: \_\_\_\_\_ COACH'S PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ COACH'S EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

## A. FLORIDA SOLO EVENTS

<b>Dance Solo Events</b>  <b>\$25 Each</b>	<b>Circle Styles of Dances</b> <div>Jazz/Lyrical</div> <div>Hip Hop</div> <div>Modern/Contemporary</div> <div>Pom</div>		
	<b>Category</b>	<b>Select</b>	<b>Title of Music:</b>
	Jazz/Lyrical		
	Modern/Contemp		
	Hip Hop		
	Pom		

## B. FLORIDA BATON SOLO MUSIC EVENTS

**\$25 EACH**

<b>Novelty Solo</b> (Can use equipment)	Circle Level: Beg Adv Challenger <b>Title of Music:</b>
<b>Dance Twirl Solo</b> (One-Baton Only)	Circle Level: All Challenger <b>Title of Music:</b>
<b>Collegiate Half-Time</b>	Circle Level: All Challenger <b>Title of Music:</b>
<b>Collegiate Downfield</b>	Circle Level: All Challenger <b>Title of Music:</b>

<b>TOTAL OF ENTRY:</b>	
Amount of Section A:	
Amount of Section B:	
Amount of Section C:	
Amount of Section D:	
\$ of T-Shirts Ordered:	
<b>One Time Fee Per Athlete:</b>	<b>\$15</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL DUE:</b>	

## C. FLORIDA BATON CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

<b>\$40 Per Event</b>	<b>Select Level Below</b>			
	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Beg</b>	<b>Int</b>	<b>Adv</b>
<b>Florida Twirling All-Star</b>				
<b>Florida Parade Majorette</b>				
<b>Florida Elem/Middle/High/ Collegiate Champion</b> (Please complete all info to right)	<b>Circle:</b> Elem (Gr. 1-5) Sr. (Gr. 9-12) Jr. (Gr. 6-8) Collegiate <b>Current Grade:</b> _____ <b>Circle Routine:</b> Novelty Solo Dance- Twirl Solo <b>Title of Music:</b> _____			

## D. FLORIDA BATON SOLO EVENTS

<b>\$10 EACH</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Beg</b>	<b>Int</b>	<b>Adv</b>	<b>Elite</b>	<b>Chal.</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Adult</b>
One-Baton								
Two-Baton								
Three-Baton								
Multiple Baton								
X-Strut								
Straight-Line Strut								
Parade Strut								
Basic Strut								
Military Strut								
Hoop								
Flag (Small)								

ENTRY FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY.

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 23, 2021 (NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Candice Dowdy

MAIL TO: Candice Dowdy, 522 Hallowell Circle, Orlando, FL 32828





# FLORIDA BATON TEAM ENTRY

**TEAM ROSTER MUST ACCOMPANY THIS ENTRY FORM. SEE TEAM ROSTER PAGE**

Please complete **ONE** entry and roster **PER TEAM**, not per routine. All team members listed on roster must be participating in all routines listed on this entry page. For each routine that uses **DIFFERENT** performers, complete a different entry form and roster page. (NOTE: All twirl team events will use Standard March Music)

TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NO.OF MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ TEAMS AVERAGE AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

COACH: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ CELLPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ TEXTING: YES NO

STUDIONAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS (City/State/Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

## AVERAGE AGES TO DETERMINE TEAM AGE

BATON TEAMS	# OF MEMBERS	SIZE				AVERAGE AGE	TEAM AGE						LEVEL		TITLE OF MUSIC
		Extra Sm 2-3	Sm 4-9	Lg 10-19	Extra Large 20+		Tot 0-6	Juvenile 7-9	Junior 10-13	Senior 14-18	Collegiate 19-22	Adult 23+	Beg	Adv	
<b>\$12.50 per member/per routine</b>															
Twirling Team															
Dance-Twirl Team															
Novelty Twirl Team															
Street Parade Team													ALL		
Show Twirl Team													ALL		
Auxiliary Majorette Line							Circle: Elem Jr Sr						ALL		
College Majorette Line													ALL		
Auxiliary Pom Line							Circle: Elem Jr Sr Collegiate						ALL		
Auxiliary Dance Line							Circle: Elem Jr Sr Collegiate						ALL		
Auxiliary Drill Team							Circle: Elem Jr Sr Collegiate						ALL		
Auxiliary Guard							Circle: Elem Jr Sr Collegiate						ALL		
Florida State Dance-Twirl Team		ONE SIZE					Circle: Elem Jr Sr Collegiate						ALL		
Florida State Novelty Twirl Team		ONE SIZE					Circle: Elem Jr Sr Collegiate						ALL		

## AVERAGE AGES TO DETERMINE TEAM AGE

BATON CORPS	# OF MEMBERS	SIZE			AVERAGE AGE	TEAM AGE			TITLE OF MUSIC
		Small 10-14	Large 15-19	Extra Large 20+		Juvenile 0-9	Junior 10-13	Senior 14-18	
<b>\$10 per member/per routine</b>									
Twirling Corps									
Parade Corps									

## TOTAL BATON TEAM AMOUNT DUE:

	# of Members	Cost	Amount
ROUTINE #1		x \$12.50 ea	
ROUTINE #2		x \$12.50 ea	
ROUTINE #3		x \$12.50 ea	
ROUTINE #4		x \$12.50 ea	
ONE TIME FACILITY FEE PER ATHLETE REQUIRED		X \$15	
<b>GRAND TOTAL OF ALL ROUTINES FOR THIS TEAM:</b>			

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Candice Dowdy**  
**MAIL TO: Candice Dowdy, 522 Hallowell Circle, Orlando, FL 32828**

ENTRY FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY. ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY:

**MARCH 23, 2021**

(NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED)







# FLORIDA DANCE ENTRY **TEAM ROSTER MUST ACCOMPANY THIS ENTRY FORM... SEE TEAM ROSTER PAGE**

Please complete **ONE** entry and roster **PER TEAM**, not per routine. All team members listed on roster must be participating in all routines listed on this entry page. For each routine that uses **DIFFERENT** performers, complete a different entry form and roster page.

TEAMNAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NO. OF MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ TEAMS AVERAGE AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

COACH: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ TEXTING: YES NO

STUDIO NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS (City/State/Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

## AVERAGE AGES TO DETERMINE TEAM AGE

DANCE TEAMS	# OF MEMBERS	SIZE				AVERAGE AGE	TEAM AGE						TEAM TYPE			TITLE OF MUSIC
		Extra Sm 2-3	Sm 4-9	Lg 10-19	Extra Large 20+		Tot 0-6	Juvenile 7-9	Junior 10-13	Senior 14-18	Collegiate 19-22	Adult 23+	Recreational	Competitive	School Team	
<b>\$12.50 per member/per routine</b>																
Pom																
Jazz																
Lyrical																
Modern/Contemporary																
Hip Hop																
Kick																
Musical Theater/Character																
Novelty																
Mix																
Production		10+ (One Size)											ALL			

## TOTAL DANCE TEAM AMOUNT DUE:

	# of Members	Cost	Amount
ROUTINE #1		x \$12.50 ea	
ROUTINE #2		x \$12.50 ea	
ROUTINE #3		x \$12.50 ea	
ROUTINE #4		x \$12.50 ea	
ONE TIME FACILITY FEE PER ATHLETE		X \$15	
<b>GRAND TOTAL OF ALL ROUTINES FOR THIS TEAM:</b>			

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Candice Dowdy**

**MAIL TO: Candice Dowdy, 522 Hallowell Circle  
Orlando, FL 32828**

*ENTRY FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY. ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY  
**MARCH 23, 2021 (NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED)***

Hello Coaches and Parents

We are excited to have our competition on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. We are aware that COVID-19 causes things to be ever-changing, so we will keep you updated on any changes pertaining to our upcoming competition. We need to follow guidelines to ensure the safety of all our competitors, staff, and guests!! Having said this, we will be limiting the capacity of guests in order to comply with the number of people allowed in the gym and overall facility.

**Here are some general rules....**

- Parents, families, & guests will not be allowed to stay inside the gym. Everyone must station outdoors, in the school courtyard.
- One team will go inside at a time to compete. When going inside to compete, only 1 accompanying guest per twirler will be allowed in the gym (we will let you know if things change to allow 2 guests per twirler). Once the routine is complete, twirler(s) and guest must exit the gym.
- Please feel free to videotape your twirler's routine(s) to share with other friends and family.
- Everyone must wear masks at all times. This includes the warm-up area inside. The twirlers may take their mask off when entering the floor to compete, but they must put them right back on before exiting the gym.
- Twirlers and their accompanying guest enter through the front door and exit through back door of the Gym.
- Temperature checks will be implemented upon initial check in. Once checked in, all guests and twirlers entering the gym will receive a wrist band, signifying their temperature has been checked and approved. Please wear this wrist band for the entirety of the day. Twirlers can wear their wrist bands on their ankle.
- Restrooms are for bathroom use only. There will be no changing inside the locker rooms. Changing tents/areas must be set up outside. Florida weather is hard to predict and there is always a very remote possibility of rain. Although much of the campus is undercover, it is a good idea to bring canopy tents for additional coverage. You can add some curtains/blankets to the sides if you want more closure.
- Teams will have designated areas in the courtyard to remain stationed during the day.
- Our concession stand will consist of pre-packaged, single-serving food and drink items. There will be no food preparation onsite. There are several restaurants near the school and outside food or drinks will be allowed in the courtyard, but not in the gym.
- We will have multiple hand sanitizer stations throughout the gym/surrounding areas and will request that twirlers & guests frequently wash their hands/use hand sanitizer throughout the day.

Coaches must inform all their team parents about the rules prior to the contest. As mentioned before, we will have designated areas outside where each group may set up their pop-up tents, canopies, and chairs. We ask that everyone please wear their masks in the courtyard too, unless their designated area or tents are arranged in such a manner that they are adequately distanced from other groups. When walking through common areas, masks must be worn.

Anyone in non-compliance will be asked to leave for they put us at risk of compromising the entire competition.

We are paying extra for special custodial staff, which will include a deep COVID sanitization prior to and immediately following our competition. They will also be on-campus the day of the event to wipe down frequently touched surfaces and to service the restrooms.

### **Procedures for the Competition:**

#### **Teams**

Teams will run on a set-to-set system. We are encouraging teams/corps to have as few costume changes as possible. If they prefer, they can compete in practice clothes that are unified. The judges are aware this may occur. Competitors will only be allowed in the gym during the team's performance and will be asked to leave upon completion. This is to ensure social distancing in the stands and to limit the number of people in the gym at a time.

For teams, the size/number of team members will determine how many will get to go in the gym at the team's performance time. We are aiming to have two teams in line for warm up while one is on the floor. Only one team will be allowed in the atrium; pre-staging and getting temperature checks. As of right now, only one guest per twirler can go in gym to watch their team's performance. Team Coaches will be allowed in the gym as well. It is especially important for us to follow these guidelines to be able to host this event. Please ensure that all your team members and families know and understand these protocols ahead of time.

#### **Individuals**

The first 5 sets will be allowed in the gym first. After the first 5 sets have been checked in, the next 3 sets will check-in the atrium, where they will wait before going into the gym. Twirlers will be able to check in once they are 3 sets out. One guest will be allowed in the gym per individual twirler, as well as one accompanying coach. A twirler's guest/coach must be present upon check-in and have their temperature taken as well. ALL must wear masks. NO EXCEPTIONS. That's the rule for us to be able to have this contest. When seated in the gym to watch your twirler's event, guests must sit 6 feet apart from other parties. We will be recommending that no costume changes take place for different solo events. We ask that all twirlers arrive in costume. We suggest having a changing tent outside if you desire a costume change.

We also plan to have a monitor-screen outside live-streaming the competition so that people in the courtyard can watch the team/individuals competing in the gym.

The line-ups will be posted on walls outside in several areas and the number performing at a given time will also be posted outside.

#### **Awards**

We are working on a website that will allow us to post all awards and placements as they are calculated. We will be posting Title events as fast as we can and will not be holding back any awards. When the division is complete and ready, we will post it. This will reduce congested areas within the gym.

Team Coaches/Directors, we will have a basket with all Team awards and scoresheets for you to pick up at the end of Teams.

There will not be an award table set-up. All Individual awards will be placed in a bag for the twirler and the parent/coach will be able to pick them up after the twirler's last event is posted.

I will be sending a coach's letter out closer to the day of the event with all of these details and more updates. The deadline is a hard deadline for entries and payment so that we can get everything organized, especially with planning for capacity limitations and transitions. We shouldn't have more than 75 people in the gym at one time.

I know this was a lot of info, but we want to give you have as much information as possible for your planning as well!

Please let me know that you received this email with the entry forms.

Thank you!



# AAU Florida Baton & Dance Participant Waiver

## ASSUMPTION OF RISK / WAIVER OF LIABILITY / INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT:

*In consideration of being allowed to participate on behalf of the  
2021 AAU Florida Baton & Dance Championship event,  
the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates and agrees that...*

1. Participation includes possible exposure to and illness from infectious diseases, including but not limited to MRSA, influenza, and the novel COVID-19 virus. While particular discipline and practices implemented may reduce this risk of infection, the risk of serious illness and death does exist.
2. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AAU Florida Baton & Dance, Candice Dowdy/Director, Brite Star Twirlers, their officers, officials, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, school districts, and if applicable, owners and lessors of the premises used to conduct the event, WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
3. I, the undersigned or parent/guardian, do hereby give permission for the athlete named above to participate in the 2021 FLORIDA AAU Baton and Dance Championship. I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury, and I agree to assume the full risk of injuries, damages or loss that, I or my minor child, may sustain as a result of participating in any activities connected with or associated with this competition.
4. I further release and hold harmless the Contest Director & Staff, AAU Florida Dance/Baton Twirling, East River High School and its officers, agents, servants, employees and representatives, from any claims for injury, illness, or loss that may be sustained.
5. I understand and will be responsible for any medical bills that may be incurred on behalf of my daughter/son/self for physical illness or injury they may sustain during the competition. The competition and its representatives reserve the right to send any participant/ attendee to a hospital for diagnosis and treatment, with the parent/guardian assuming full responsibility and costs.
6. I give permission for images of the athlete/myself to be captured during the competition to be used without further compensation to the athlete or myself. Images and videos may be used in promoting the competition and future events, press releases to local media, and Internet/social media sites pertaining to AAU, AAU Dance, and AAU Florida Baton Twirling.

**I have read this release of liability and assumption of risk agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given substantial rights by signing it, and sign it knowingly, freely, and voluntarily, without any inducement. I, as a legal parent/guardian, have read and explained the rules, expectations, & procedures to my child(ren) and they understand & accept the risks and responsibilities. I, for myself, my child(ren), and accompanying guests, give consent and agree to the terms previously stated for all liabilities related to the presence and participation in this event, even if caused by their negligence, to the fullest extent provided by law.**

**Name of Participant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Participant/Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Participant/Parent/Guardian Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: The signed waiver/release should be kept on file by the sports organizer for a least 7 years and possibly longer if the twirling participant has contracted a serious illness.**

**\*Waivers must be submitted with Entry, by the entry deadline\***

**IMPORTANT MEDICAL INFORMATION:**

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Insurance Company

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Policy Number

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Emergency Phone Number

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Name of Emergency Contact and Relationship

Medications currently being taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_



# **Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to the Novel Coronavirus/Pandemic/COVID-19**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is reported to be extremely contagious. The state of medical knowledge is evolving, but the virus is believed to spread from person-to-person by contact and/or by contact with contaminated surfaces and objects, and possibly in the air. People reportedly can be infected and show no symptoms and, therefore, spread the disease. The exact methods of spread and contraction are unknown. Evidence has shown that COVID-19 can cause serious, potentially life-threatening illness and even death.

Brite Star Twirlers and AAU Florida Baton & Dance cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, participating in Brite Star Twirlers' / AAU programs, activities, events, etc. both inside and outside of the various facilities in which Brite Star Twirlers / AAU FL Baton operates could increase your risk and your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19. By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and the potential consequences of my child(ren) or myself contracting COVID-19. I voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending events conducted by Brite Star Twirlers / AAU FL Baton wherever conducted and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at a Brite Star Twirlers' / AAU FL Baton event may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including but not limited to Brite Star Twirlers owners, AAU Staff, School District staff, officers, employees, sub-contractors, agents, volunteers, facility management and staff, program participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren), accompanying guests, or myself, including but not limited to personal injury, disability, death, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in association with my child(ren)'s attendance or participation in Brite Star Twirlers' / AAU FL Baton Events and programs. On my behalf, and on the behalf of my child(ren), I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the AAU FL Baton & Dance, Candice Dowdy/Director, and Brite Star Twirlers, as well as their officers, employees, sub-contractors, agents, representatives, volunteers, school district, facility management and staff of and from the claims, including all liabilities, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of Brite Star Twirlers, AAU FL Baton, their owners, officers, employees, sub-contractors, agents, representatives, volunteers, school districts, facility management and staff, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any Brite Star Twirlers' / AAU FL Baton program.

In signing this waiver, I knowingly, voluntarily, and willingly AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE STATED AND CUSTOMARY TERMS AND CONDITIONS for participation, with regards to protection from infectious diseases. If, however, I observe any unusual or significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately.

**Signature of Parent / Guardian or Participant (if over age 18)**

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**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name of Participant(s)**

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**Note: The signed waiver/release should be kept on file by the sports organizer for a least 7 years and possibly longer if the twirling participant has contracted a serious illness.**

**\*Waivers must be submitted with Entry, by the entry deadline\***