

**2010 GENERAL COMPETITION GUIDELINES**

**NO REFUNDS FOR NO-SHOWS AT COMPETITION** . Requests for refunds must be made in writing prior to October 18. All teams and individual competitors must have a signed waiver form in order to compete. No exceptions. You must be a member of the squad/team the entire season to be eligible to compete with the squad/team. Coaches must bring signed forms to registration.

**SPECTATOR FEE:** All spectators will need a ticket to enter the fairgrounds. Competition fees include fair admittance for squad members and 2 coaches/advisors. Advance tickets may be purchased for \$6.00 through the NPF office. Regular admission is \$7.00 and may be paid at the South Gate on the day of the event. Coaches should register upon arrival and receive scheduled warm-up and performance times. Teams will be allowed 4 minutes warm-up prior to competing. An 18'x24' warm-up area is provided. Please have your squad "on deck" and ready at the warm-up area 10 minutes prior to your scheduled time.

**COMPETITION FLOOR:** The competition will be held in the Ameris Arena at the South Gate of the National Peanut Festival fairgrounds. The competition floor area is 42'x42' matted area with approximately 18 feet overhead clearance at the outer edges of the pavilion and extending to 53 feet high in the center.

**MUSIC:** Music is allowed for the entire routine or for only a portion of the routine. There will be a 10 points deduction for exceeding the time limit of 2 ½ minutes for squad performances and 1-½ minutes for individual competitions. Timing begins with the first word, movement or music. You may bring CD or cassette. Please bring an extra copy. Some burnt CDs do not play, so come prepared. **Each squad will need a sponsor/advisor to start/stop their music.** It is solely the coach's decision to stop the music due to technical difficulties or injury. If this occurs, the routine will be judged up to the point the coach stopped the routine and perform from that point on and judging will resume at that point. If the coach chooses NOT to stop the routine, the team will not have the option to perform again. Music must be appropriate for all ages since this is a family event. There shall be no vulgar words or movements.

**ROUTINES:** Routines should include any combination of jumps, tumbling, cheer, dance and pyramids. Music is allowed for the entire routine or for only a portion of the routine. Squad routines should not exceed 2 ½ minutes. Individual routines should not exceed 1-½ minutes.

**AWARDS:** Trophies will be awarded for all divisions. Number of trophies presented depends on number of squads entered.

**ALL JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL.** A panel of qualified judges will determine winners. Competition rules will be according to the National Federation of State high School Associations. You may call 1-800-776-3462 or 816-464-5400 to obtain their rules. Cheerleaders may use flags, signs, megaphones and pom-poms. All entries should be received by October 18. Late fee: \$50 per squad.

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place trophies will be awarded to divisions of 5 or more teams  
**Cash Prize & Individual Awards for the NPF Grand Champions!**

National Peanut Festival  
Cheerleading Championship  
t-shirts available

Event will be held in Ameris Arena. Enter through the **South Gate** only. Plenty of arena seating available.

- SPECIAL AWARDS
- Cash Prizes to TOP squad
  - Cash Prize to Top Individual Comp. Routine
  - "Fan"tastic FANS Award for most crowd involvement (signs, cheering, chanting...)

**Saturday, October 30, 2010**  
**TENTATIVE EVENT SCHEDULE**  
**Subject to change. Receive warm-up & performance times at registration.**

8:00—SOUTH GATE OPENS  
Registration Individual Competitions  
Jr. High School/High School & All-Star Divisions

9:00—Registration Youth/Elementary Divisions  
9:00—WELCOME  
Individual Competition Jr/Sr Division Begins

9:30—Jr. Varsity Cheer 1A-2A  
9:35—Jr. Varsity Cheer 3A-4A  
9:45—Jr. Varsity Cheer 5A-6A  
9:50—Varsity Cheer 1A-2A  
10:00—Varsity Cheer 3A-4A  
10:10—Varsity Cheer 5A-6A  
10:20—Co-Ed Cheer Division  
10:30—Christian School/Non-Building Squads  
10:40—All-Star Sr. Division  
10:45--Individual Stamina Jumps, Tumbling Competition  
11:00--Youth/Elementary/Midget League Competition  
12:00--AWARDS "Then enjoy the NPF Fair & Do-da Parade!"  
**NPF Grand Champions** will be selected from TOP High School score!  
**"Best of Show"** will be selected from TOP Elementary School score!

Concessions available

**PARENT WAIVER FORM (Make a copy for each participant. Must bring signed to registration.)**

Participant: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School/Gym: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home or emergency Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We give permission to administer first aid immediately to my/our child named above, should he/she become sick or injured during the competition on October 30, 2010 and to do so without having to wait until I/We are contacted.

Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_ Group#: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Insured: \_\_\_\_\_ Family Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that the above named child has permission to participate in the competition, and I/We agree to hold harmless and to indemnify the National Peanut Festival, Ashford High School, and all of their respective officers, directors, administrators, staff, members, employees, and volunteers from any and all liability, claims of liability, suits, actions, judgements, damages, costs and expenses arising from or as the result of any injury sustained by the participant or others as a result of my child's participation at any time during the competition, even if such injury is caused in whole or in part by the negligence of any party released and indemnified hereunder. I/We agree that this Release, Waiver and indemnification Agreement will be enforceable against me, my heirs, personal representatives and assigns, to the fullest extent of the law. I/We hereby consent and authorize the National Peanut Festival, Ashford High School, its successors, legal representatives and assignees, to reproduce from said performance or performances, my picture and/or voice for any and all advertising purposes of every kind or nature, and hereby release all claims on said performance or performances or any reproductions thereof.

**I/WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES. CERTIFIED AUDITORS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO AUDIT SCORES.**

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_