

STATE 2023 - Coach & Team Information

COMPETITION DAY REGISTRATION: located in Hy-Vee Hall – opens at 6:00 a.m. and will remain open until the last team/soloist checks in.

- **When should we arrive?** We advise arriving at a minimum of 1 hour to 1.5 hours prior to your performance to check in, get settled into the dressing room area, and have ample time to warm up.
- **Can a coach check in at registration before their performance day?** Yes. Coaches are welcome to check in and receive their wristband packets, pre-order merchandise and academic achievement awards (if applicable) prior to their performance day. This is NOT required; however, an option for coaches close to Des Moines.
- **When do teams go to the warmup area?** 3 teams are allowed at a time; reference the performance schedule to determine what time you need to be there. Watch your time, allow for walking from Hy-Vee Hall to the arena as we run on schedule!
- **Bring Water Bottles!** There are filling stations throughout the venues; highly encourage having them with you in the warm up areas; there will be a table designated to use!

PICK UP AT REGISTRATION:

- **Tan Wristbands** for each performer, non-performer (alternates/manager), and coaches registered. Please wear on the right wrist. These provide access to all areas of competition and are to be worn at all times, even during performance. Judges are aware of the wristbands and do not deduct from appearance.
- **Participation Certificates** for team and solos based on your registration numbers.
- **Academic Achievement** (*if applicable*): certificates and recognition plaque. Top academic winners will be announced during the awards ceremonies.
- **ISDTA Cares Certificates and Appreciation Gift** for teams who participated this year.

Pre-Order Merchandise Pick-Up: located in Hy-Vee Hall next to registration. Items not picked up will be shipped at the school's expense.

Pass Doors – NW Entrance of Wells Fargo Arena: If you registered for the following passes, please communicate with your bus driver(s), administrators, and team helpers of this pick-up location! Additional wristbands can be purchased at the coach registration table, not at the pass door.

- **Red Team Helper wristbands:** allows access to the Full-Out Warm Up area and performance floor to help with props and backdrops. It does not give access to the dressing room area.
- **Purple Bus Driver wristbands:** this is admission only; no special access.
- **Yellow Administrator wristbands:** this is admission only; no special access.
- College Recruitment Table Passes (college only)
- Media Passes (be sure to invite and have them confirm!) Due November 18 | [Local Media Invitation](#)

First Aid + Athlete Assistance: We have a Nurse, Kim Jenkins in Wells Fargo Arena all three days; available 7:00 a.m. – end of performances each day. First Aid is also available in Hy-Vee Hall across from the registration table.

Parking: Utilize the far North Lot of the Iowa Events Center accessible off 3rd and 5th Streets. Credit Cards are accepted for payment; \$10/car and \$40/bus. Vehicles that leave the parking lot and return must pay the parking fee again.

Large Props & Backdrops:

-All props and backdrops should be removed from the venue soon after the performance is complete.

-People dropping off items at loading docks do not need a red Team Helper wristband; only if they are helping carry them on and off the floor for performance.

- **Hy-Vee Hall:** Loading dock is off 5th Street and Center. Reference the Hy-Vee Hall diagram to locate where props and backdrops are to be stored. If soloists have a prop, they may bring it in with them and store it in the location designated on the Hy-Vee Hall diagram.
- **Wells Fargo Arena:** Northeast Doors off 2nd Street. Reference the Wells Fargo Arena diagram to locate where props and backdrops are to be stored based on the direction your team faces for performance.

Dressing Room Guidelines – Hy-Vee Hall Lower Level: *see diagrams for details*

-ISDTA Board Members will be monitoring to ensure guidelines are being followed.

-Coaches' break room will be available in this area for you to have a little quiet time some water/pop.

- Bring personal mirrors to not crowd bathrooms. Performers should not use public restrooms on the main level of HVH and in WFA for getting ready.
- A room for boys is designated; however, they will need to use restrooms on the main level of HVH as we will designate the restrooms on the lower level as all female.
- No undressing in the open, No music, No full out rehearsal
- Overflow for QUIET team stretching and restrooms is in Hy-Vee Hall B and C. See diagrams.

Full-Out Practice/Warm Up Area – Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center: *see diagrams for details*

- New location for teams to do full out practicing/warm up
- Music is allowed
- This is a shared space to use when you can; be cognizant of how long you are there
- Only for teams competing that day
- This area is carpeted

WFA Warm Up Areas/Check In – 3 teams will be allowed in each warmup area; coaches check in with the ISDTA official. No music or loud counting. Color Guard teams need to practice tossing in between routines.

HVH Warm Up Areas/Check In – soloists should check in with the ISDTA official 3-5 performances before theirs and have a large amount of space to warm up; this is also only for team routines being performed in HVH. No music or loud counting. Color Guard soloists need to practice tossing in between routines.

ISDTA Practice Mats – will be available in every team and solo warm up area for headsprings and aerials.

Entrances and Exits for Performers – See diagrams for entrance and exit locations. Soloists will enter and exit from the same direction in their venue as well as teams in HVH B.

Team/Solo Photos–Tim McConnell Photography is located on the performance floor level in Wells Fargo Arena; make a plan for when your team/soloists will get pictures (some do it before they perform for example).

Order by November 25 for live team performance images:

<https://www.timmcconnellphotography.com/formpage.php?FormId=57>

Watching Performances: teams are welcome to watch following their performances or on days they do not perform; however, are required to sit in spectator seating. Tan Wristbands may be used for admission.

Food: Concessions will be open all three days; note most only accept credit cards – please have your dancers plan ahead. Outside food cannot be brought in.

Solo Division I Medal Announcements

- ✓ Will take place immediately following the final solo performance of each class in their respective venues.
- ✓ It will be on Live Stream and will be posted on our event website: www.isdtalive.com
- ✓ Competitors are strongly encouraged to be present to receive their medal; however, it is not required due to competition scheduling conflicts with team routines.
- ✓ Medals not received can be picked up in WFA after the evening awards ceremony. Find Andrea Dana at the podium.
- ✓ Solo Placements are announced at the evening award ceremonies in WFA.

Award Ceremonies in Wells Fargo Arena

Reference pages 25-28 in the handbook to understand scoring, placements and special awards.

- ✓ Live Stream (free) found at www.isdtalive.com
- ✓ Awards Ceremonies each night of competition. If a team competes two days, they attend two ceremonies.
- ✓ College Awards are during dinner break each day.
- ✓ High School Solo and Team awards are at the end of each day as noted on the schedule.
- ✓ **NEW:** Team Placement Ribbons will be given with the trophies. Therefore, nothing will need to be picked up after awards by the coaches.
- ✓ 2 locations for teams/coaches to sit:
 - On the basketball court
 - Seats in sections 114 and 119
- ✓ Logistics:
 - At the start of the final category in WFA, teams can begin lining up in the tunnel. Reference the diagrams and video.
 - To maintain order, teams will be announced as they come to the floor/seats.

After Awards Ceremonies-Coaches:

- ✓ **Scoresheets and Audio Critiques** are in your ISDTA account -> Account History -> Registration History -> **Click the green button "competition results"**
- ✓ **Solo Performance Videos** will be emailed during the competition into the weekend to the head coach via WeTransfer, download ASAP! The link expires after one week. Check spam/junk folders if not received.

by December 5:

- ✓ Team and Solo Results will be posted on www.isdta.net.
- ✓ Coaches to send Thank You Notes to ISDTA Sponsors. Information will be emailed.

ISDTA State 2023 - SPECTATOR INFORMATION

EVENT WEBSITE www.isdtalive.com

- **In-Person Admission** – purchase general admission tickets in advance and avoid lines. \$15/day
- **Live Stream Access** – purchase daily live stream access. \$15/day or \$40 for all 3-days
- **Digital File Purchase** – purchase professional recordings of your routines and receive them digitally on December 10! *These are being provided in lieu of DVDs.*
- **State Merchandise** – can be ordered here to be shipped at a later date.
- **Digital Program** - \$5.00 (will be available for purchased week of Nov 14)
- **Live Action Photos** – pre-order your live action photography of your team routines by Tim McConnell, our competition photographer.
- **Team Group Photos** – Tim McConnell, will be on-site for team photos; ordering information is found here.

At Wells Fargo Arena & Hy-Vee Hall:

- **Doors Open for Spectators at 7:00 a.m.**
- **Parking:** Utilize the far North Lot of the Iowa Events Center accessible off 3rd and 5th Streets. Credit Cards are accepted for payment; \$10/car and \$40/bus. Vehicles that leave the parking lot and return must pay the parking fee again.
- **Admission:** tickets can be purchased when you arrive. All seats are general admission. \$15/day
- **State Merchandise** will be sold on-site each day in Wells Fargo Arena on the main concourse.
- **State Program** will be sold on-site each day in Wells Fargo Arena and Hy-Vee Hall.
- **Concessions** will be open all three days; most only accept credit card.

Wells Fargo Arena Sections for Seating:

- East Side-
 - 100 Level: 114-118
 - 200 Level: 216-219
 - 300 Level: 318-322
- West Side- (*side we have historically faced*)
 - 100 Level: 102-106
 - 200 Level: 202-206
 - 300 Level: 302-306

Media Pass – invite your local media or school newspaper/yearbook to attend the in-person competition.

<https://isdta.formdash.org/features-and-public-relations/local-media-invitation/>

Press Release – *coming soon!*