



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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If you have a question you do not see addressed in this document, please do not hesitate to contact the office at info@BlackCollegeNationals.com. The following questions were part of the 2018 Coaches Q&A Scoring and Registration Teleconference.

1. Categories for registering, are they outlined on the website?

Yes. The website link is as follows: http://blackcollegenationals.com/assets/REV_-_REGISTRATION_INSTRUCTIONS_AND_FORMS.pdf

2. For the SNS category, how long is the routine and music allotment during the entire performance?

Per the attached document, Stomp-n-Shake (SNS) routines have a total performance time limit of 3 minutes with a maximum music allowance of 1 minute and 30 seconds. The routine must include a cheer. For more information, please refer to: http://blackcollegenationals.com/assets/DEC_2017_Revised_-_17-18_GENERAL_RULES_DIVISIONS_GUIDELINES.pdf

3. Is there a solo category for SNS? If so, details.

There is no specific category for SNS Solo Cheer. All solo cheer divisions are combined by age breakdown. However, in the interest of competitiveness, if 3 or more athletes register as SNS Solo per age division, we reserve the right to split the solo cheer to allow for the SNS category.

4. For cheer recreational teams are we required to add a cheer and/or chants to our routine?

No, you are not required to add a cheer or chants in your routine for either traditional or performance recreation cheer. Please also refer to the scoring rubrics as follows:

http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/3/4/1/15973143/assets/SCORING_DOC_-_Update_12-4-2017.pdf

5. Are tumbling and stunting allowed in SNS routines? How will it be scored?

Yes, tumbling, stunting and jumps are allowed in SNS routines. These elements are scored as INCORPORATION OF ADDED SKILLS. NOTE: The added skills ARE NOT scored based on difficulty but rather on how they are incorporated within the content of the routine. For example, an athlete performing a double full will not receive a scoring advantage of an athlete doing a cartwheel. Rather the judges for that category will score on how the double full or cartwheel were part of the routine construction. Another example would be if a team elects to execute a cross mat tumbling pass without any SNS element(s) during that pass segment, it would affect the added skill incorporation score as it would perhaps break the SNS criteria and flow. In addition, any tumbling and building skills must adhere to the safety guidelines outlined for the event.

6. Are you offering the AAU divisions at the event?

No.

7. How much time will teams get for warm up?

There is a 5 minute warm up station rotation schedule. Each team will have 5 minutes each for stretching + stunting / technique prep (dance teams) + tumbling / technique prep (dance teams) + warm up performance mat time for a total of 20 minutes of warm up.

8. How much will admission be for parents and spectators?

Ticket prices will be announced soon. Please visit the website for updates.

9. If I have a legality question about a [skill] what do I need to do?

If you are registered and your fees are paid for the event, send a video to info@BlackCollegeNationals.com, RE: Legality Review with front, sides and back views of the skill. Our certified and trained safety experts will review the footage and we will respond with a ruling.

If you are not registered and/or paid in full for the event, there will be a charge of \$25 for Legality Review. The fee is not refundable or transferrable.

The ruling of your legality submission will be included in your score sheet file for the judging panel at the time of the event.

If you have an official legality ruling from another event that you would like including in your scoring file for the judging panel, please inform us prior to the event.

Request for Legality Review must be received no later than March 15, 2018.

10. I'm having slow payments coming in. Can I make arrangements to pay my registration fee in installments?

Absolutely! Contact the office at Registration@BlackCollegeNationals.com and we'll set up payment arrangements. NOTE: In order to be considered for payment deferments, arrangements will need to be made by the ON TIME deadline date of January 31, 2018. In addition, deposits for arrangements and payment installment amounts are non-refundable and non transferrable.

11. Is there a late registration period?

Yes. Late Registration will begin February 1, 2018 and must include a \$150.00 late fee with the total registration fee due. Late Registration will end February 28, 2018. Final Registration will occur between March 1 – April 1, 2018 and must include a \$250.00 late fee with the total registration due. No payments will be accepted at the event. Late and Final payments must be submitted by the link on the website: <https://form.jotform.com/80305017284146>