

## NEW THIS YEAR

# Grand Championships

**Grand Championships** is an additional and separate session/competition from the regular Age Group / Level / Division Individual Awards AND the Level / Division Team Awards. In the Grand Championships, teams can use gymnasts from all divisions to determine the overall Georgia Team State Titles. Being our inaugural year, we are hoping to offer this fun and exciting opportunity to Copper, Bronze, Silver, Gold. Final determination on which levels will be included will be made after all entries are received.

Concluding the final session of each of the participating LEVELS, team scores are totaled using the top 3 scores across ALL DIVISIONS from each event. For example - if your club has 1 gymnast in Novice, 2 in Experienced, and 1 in Advanced, your club will be eligible for the Grand Championships because you have at least 3 in the Level. Each Club must have entered into the Team Competition (which also serves as the Grand Championships qualifying fee) in at least one division within each Level to be eligible to qualify for the Grand Championships. \$65 Team Fees / Grand Championship Qualifying Fees are nonrefundable. Teams that finish in 1st - 8th place\* will have the opportunity to compete again, with scores starting from zero in the Grand Championships.

There will be a coaches meeting immediately following the final session of each of the participating Levels in which a representative from each of the pre-qualifying 1st – 8th teams\* must be present or that team will be disqualified, allowing the 9th place\* team to compete. A Club check (no personal checks) payable to the host team or cash in the amount of \$125.00 will be given to the meet director and a rotation order will be drawn based on the Team scores after the last regular age group session. The next 3 clubs will serve as alternates (in the order of placement) and a representative should be prepared to attend coaches meeting / gymnasts compete just in case one of the top 8 pre-qualifying teams\* does not enter the Grand Championships.

If your Team qualifies to the Grand Championships, you are then able to choose 6 gymnasts to compete on each event. They do not have to be the same for every event. The top 3 scores count per event. No individual awards are given in this competition. It is strictly a Team event to determine the Grand Champions across all divisions.

At the completion of the final regular session the gym will be cleared of all spectators, coaches and gymnasts while the gym is prepared for the Grand Championships. Doors will reopen a minimum of 15 minutes prior to General stretch. All spectators will be required to pay an additional admission fee to the Grand Championship session.

### Competition Format Rules:

- Judging Panels rotate to different events from prior sessions at the direction of the Meet Ref. This change will not be announced until the start of the Grand Championships.
- No Score Inquiries permitted.
- Non-competing gymnasts on the current event may possibly be corraled in a location designated by the meet director due to limited space per event.
- At the completion of the Grand Championships, Team Awards will be presented based on the outcome of the Grand Championships.

Have your Parents ready to Get Loud and Be Proud! Fill those plastic water bottles with team color beads to shake - Make Signs - Dress in Team Colors. Gymnasts - add some Bling to wear during team Introduction. Coaches - Be prepared to add a little Bling to your attire also. Let's make this an event our gymnasts and parents will remember.

\*minimum of 8 teams. Depending on schedule could increase to 12. The next 3 clubs will serve as alternates (in the order of placement) in the event one of the qualifying teams chooses not to enter the GRAND CHAMPIONSHIPS.