

**Georgia High School Association  
Competitive Dance State Championship  
February 22, 2025**



**Akins Arena  
The Classic Center  
300 North Thomas Street  
Athens, Georgia**

**Coaches Information Packet**

## **Immediately**

**If you have not done so already, please email your music to Jeff Hulsey ASAP. His email address is [jeff@jhaudioproductions.com](mailto:jeff@jhaudioproductions.com). He must have them all by Wednesday at noon.**

We are so excited to be in Athens at the brand-new Akins Arena! This facility has only been open for a month or so. Athens is excited to have us and have done a lot to help make this happen. Please read this packet thoroughly.

**Congratulations** on qualifying for state. This is the first year teams have had to qualify so it makes this event even more exciting.

## **Registration fees:**

If you have not already paid your entry fee for state, you may bring it on the day of state and turn it in at Team check in. Please put it in an envelope with Registration & entry fee on the front of the envelope.

## **Competition times:**

There will be 2 sessions.

Session 1: Classes A-3A will begin competition at 10 AM. Team check in will begin at 8:45. All teams should be checked in by 9:30. (The gate for spectators will open at 9:00 AM). Rotations for warm ups will begin around 9:40. Awards will take place immediately after competition.

Session 2: Classes 4A-6A will begin competition at 3:00 PM. Team check in begins at 1:45. Teams must be checked in by 2:30. The gate for spectators will open at 2:00 PM. Rotations for warm ups will begin around 2:40. Awards will take place around 5:45.

## **Registration & Team check-in:**

Team check-in will be located where your buses drop your team off on Foundry Street. Buses should drop off the team and coaches at the Classic Center (see map). Buses will park on the street on Foundry Street.

Up to 24 team members may check in with the team if they are dressed in a school warm up or team uniform/costume. All team members should be on your roster that was submitted by Feb. 1. All other student-athletes on your team will need to be added on the Excess Team entry form (found on the forms page of the GHSA.net website) and the school will be billed for the admittance fee.

2 coaches and 1 music person may enter at team check in. Coaches need to show their Dragonfly pass as they enter with their team. Credentials will be given upon at check in.

Bus drivers should arrive at the Pass Gate and will be allowed entry with the proper credentials.

Teams will be directed where to sit and put their things in the bleachers. The assigned area will determine where the staff will find you to take you to warm ups. Please be ready to go to warm ups when they call/come for you.

Please keep your team together until after all competition for your team is over.

Teams will have access to dressing areas. You will have time for your team to dress in this area and return to their assigned seats. This is available for you to dress but will not be able to have team meetings, leave your things, or apply elaborate make up/hair. All of your items (book bags, etc.) should be placed in the seating area you are assigned in the bleachers.

### **Warm ups:**

A runner will come get teams to take them to warm ups. Please do not make the runner look for you. You will receive an estimation of times for warm ups when you arrive.

The first warm up area will be an area to stretch on carpet. (10 minutes)

Your team will move into the warm up area. You will get a chance to run through your routine and there will be a timer there to let you know when your time is up. You will have 10 minutes in this area, also carpeted.

You will be then be directed to return to the gym for “on deck” area. There is an open space for last minute warm up (this is concrete- just a place to stay warmed up)

Finally, the performance surface is a basketball court. The boundary lines are the lines for in bounds for basketball. We will have a person to guide teams onto the floor and then exit on the opposite side to return to the stands. Water stations will be available on both sides of the arena.

**Athletic Trainer:** An athletic trainer will be on site. They are available for taping before, during, and after competition. Please provide tape and pre-wrap if needed. There will also be water stations at several places after warmups and when your team comes off the floor.

**Spectator Admission:** Admission fee for spectators is \$20. The arena will open at 9:00 for spectators. Tickets will be available online at GoFan. <https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA> There will be no re-entrance. If spectators leave the arena, they will have to purchase another ticket to be allowed to re-enter.

**Pass Gate:** A GHSA pass gate will be available. Coaches should have their Dragonfly passes pulled up **in the app** on their phone. College coaches will be admitted at this gate with their proper ID.

**Parking:** There is a parking deck for Akins Arena and the Classic Center. There is also parking on the streets in Athens which will be walking distance to arena. Buses will be directed on where to park upon arrival.

**Security guidelines:** All bags are subject to be searched. Please bring in no more than what you need. There is a clear bag policy for all spectators. Teams may bring in their bags/backpacks but will be searched.

**Concessions:** There will be ample concession opportunities available in the arena.

**Vendors:** Team IP will be available for event apparel. They will be located near the gate where spectators enter.

**Music Selection:** Please make sure your music selection is free of any explicit language or violent implications. Teams that use music that violate may be disqualified.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Penny Mitchell at 478-957-9775 or [Penny@ghsa.net](mailto:Penny@ghsa.net).

Good luck and have a great week!

## Performance Order Session 1

	Team	Division	Style
10:00			
AM	Fayette Co	2A-3A	Hip hop
	Vidalia	A	Hip hop
	North Murray	2A-3A	Jazz
	Pepperell	A	Pom
	Gilmer	2A-3A	Pom
	Banks Co	A	Pom
	East Jackson	2A-3A	Jazz
	Sav. Chr	A	Pom
	Carver, Columbus	2A-3A	Hip hop
	Fannin	A	Pom
	Jefferson	2A-3A	Pom
	Wash. Co	A	Pom
	Lakeview Ft. Ogle.	2A-3A	Hip hop
	Rainey McCullars	A	Jazz
	Kipp	2A-3A	Pom
	Dublin	A	Hip hop
	Break		
	Whitewater	2A-3A	Jazz
	Coosa	A	Hip hop
	Washington	2A-3A	Hip hop

Bremen	A	Jazz
Murray Co	2A-3A	Pom
Model	A	Jazz
Oconee	2A-3A	Jazz
Barrow Arts	A	Hip hop
Stephens Co	2A-3A	Kick
Thomasville	A	Jazz
Ringgold	2A-3A	Hip hop
Stilwell	A	Jazz
Heritage	2A-3A	Hip hop
Lovett	2A-3A	Hip hop

### Awards

## Performance Order Session 2

	Team	Division	Style
3:00 PM	South Paulding	4A-5A	Hip Hop
	Brookwood	6A	Hip Hop
	Allatoona	4A-5A	High Kick
	Mountain View	6A	Jazz
	Blessed Trinity	4A-5A	Pom
	North Forsyth	6A	High Kick
	New Manchester	4A-5A	Hip Hop
	West Forsyth	6A	Pom
	Woodland	4A-5A	Hip Hop
	East Coweta	6A	Jazz
	Seckinger	4A-5A	Jazz
	Parkview	6A	Hip Hop
	Dutchtown	4A-5A	High Kick
	Lambert	6A	Hip Hop
	Lakeside, Evans	4A-5A	Hip Hop
	Carrollton	6A	Hip Hop
	Break		
	Greenbrier	4A-5A	Hip Hop
	Denmark	6A	Pom
	Jackson Co	4A-5A	Jazz
North Gwinnett	6A	Pom	
Newnan	4A-5A	Pom	
Buford	6A	Jazz	
Tri-Cities	4A-5A	Hip Hop	

Peachtree Ridge	6A	Hip Hop
Creekside	4A-5A	Hip Hop
South Forsyth	6A	Pom
North Oconee	4A-5A	Pom
Westlake	6A	Hip Hop
McIntosh	4A-5A	Pom
Etowah	6A	Pom
Starr's Mill	4A-5A	Jazz
Mill Creek	6A	Jazz

**Awards**