

2021 Region 8 – Level 9 & 10 Championships

Bradenton Area Convention Center - Palmetto, Florida

Dear Club Parents:

As we approach the week of the 2021 Level 9 & 10 Championships, we wanted to provide you with some VERY IMPORTANT information. Our main goal is to make the meet as rewarding for the athletes and parents as possible, while still practicing the recommended protocols for health and safety. To do that, we are going to need your help.

For the health and safety of our gymnasts, coaches, spectators, judges and staff, the following safety measures will be in place:

- Face coverings are required by the BACC and USAG and will have to be worn by all coaches, spectators, judges and staff throughout the competition.
- We will be doing digital (no touch) temperature checks upon entering the arena.
- There is a strong chance that there will be a **200** person MAX in the spectator seating area in the arena. If in fact this does occur, the number of admissions bracelets will be monitored. Because of these strict requirements, we are going to ask that only FOUR spectators per athlete (the 4 MAX includes siblings) come to the event. We will also have to clear the arena after each session for cleaning and to control the seating arrangements. With that said, our admission prices are for one session and one session only! As unfortunate as this is, we must make sure that we have space for our local and out-of-town participants.
- In between sessions, we will have to “hold” spectators for the session in waiting in the common area outside of the arena until it is clear. Please make certain that you are distancing in these areas.
- ALL gymnasts will have to wear face coverings, except during the performance of gymnastics! This is a USAG mandate.
- Gymnasts will need to bring their own personal container with chalk in it, a spray bottle and hand sanitizer. There will be no “community” chalk trays.
- Please maintain appropriate social distancing in the stands, the merchandise area and awards area.
- There will be designated (and marked) gyms for Flight A and Flight B. Please sit on the side that your gymnast will be competing in. Flight A will be the gym closest to the entrance.
- There will be Concessions available but for limited hours. Please be sure to properly distance while in line.

Single Session Admissions Prices – CASH ONLY*:

Adults = \$15.00 (Ages 13 and Up), Children = \$10.00 (Ages 5 - 12), Competitors & Children under 5 = FREE

**There will be NO free admission or discounts for USAG registered athletes not competing in this Invitational.*

Awards Procedures:

We will present the awards **ONE** age group at a time, so we ask that you be very patient, as it may take upwards of an hour to get through all of the groups. The age group that is up will be announced in the hallway and written on a white board leading to the awards room. There will be a TBT representative on hand to help organize athlete seating and to make sure distancing protocols are met. There is a chance we will have to limit the number of people each athlete can have in the awards room. We are hopeful, since we will be presenting awards in very small groups, this will not be necessary.

Once inside the awards room, we will have the gymnasts sit on tape “dots” on the carpeted area in front of the awards stand. This will allow us to distance the kids. Spectators will stand in the rear of the room. There will be **NO CHAIRS!** Please remember to maintain proper distancing while in the awards room. Please be patient with our awards procedures and volunteers as everything that we are doing is for the safety of everyone involved.

If you have any questions, please direct them to one of **YOUR** club representatives. **DO NO CONTACT TBT DIRECTLY!** Thanks!