



West Houston Spin Show



Contest Guidelines

CATEGORIES

Solo Performance: One performer incorporating any or all of the following: flag, rifle, sabre, dance, props.

Ensemble Performance: 2-7 performers incorporating any or all of the following: flag, rifle, sabre, dance, props.

CLASSIFICATIONS

Cadet: Performer(s) attend a Junior High school

Beginner: Performer(s) have 0-1 year of experience

Intermediate: Performer(s) have 1-2 years of experience

Advanced: Performer(s) have 3+ years of experience

ROUTINE GUIDELINES

- **ALL ROUTINES MUST BE STUDENT-CHOREOGRAPHED.** This includes staging, design, and choreography. *Please respect this rule in order to maintain fairness among the student performers.*
- Solos may be anywhere from 2-4 minutes in duration, and ensembles may be 3-5 minutes in duration. There will be a 1 point penalty for every 10 seconds over or under these time limits.
- All performers will have 1 minute to set up prior to the start of the performance, and 1 minute to exit following the performance. There will be a 1 point penalty for every 10 seconds if the performer(s) go over this time.
- If you choose to use a CD for your music, it must be turned in at check-in with your name and performer number clearly labeled on it. **PLEASE CHECK YOUR CD ON MULTIPLE DEVICES TO MAKE SURE IT WORKS!!!** If you choose to use a phone or tablet, please make sure you do not need the internet to access your music, as we cannot guarantee that the internet service will be of good quality at the time of your performance. Please also make sure that your phone or tablet will not fall asleep or stop playing your music during your performance. This cannot be monitored by our sound person. Lastly, if you choose to use a USB, please make sure there are no other tracks on it and that it works on multiple devices. It is ALWAYS recommended that you have your music on a back-up device on case something goes wrong.
- All props and equipment must fit through a standard gym door and be taped and padded to prevent scratching the floor.

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Two judges will provide written critique in the areas of equipment movement

- The critique sheets will be given out at the awards ceremony.
- Overall ratings for each performance will be based on the following point scale:
 - 81-100 Points will earn a Division I Rating- "Superior"
 - 61-80 Points will earn a Division II Rating- "Excellent"
 - 41-60 Points will earn a Division III Rating- "Good"
 - 21-40 Points will earn a Division IV Rating- "Fair"
 - 00-20 Points will earn a Division V Rating- "Poor"

RETREAT

- All performers will receive a certificate for participating in the event, and all performers earning a "Superior" or "Excellent" rating will also receive a medal.
- The highest scoring Solo and Ensemble in the Cadet, Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced classes will also receive a trophy.
- The judges will also select one "Judges Choice" Solo award and "Judges Choice" Ensemble award to their favorites of the day!
- Performers will be given their judging sheets as their names are called during retreat.

COMPETITION APPLICATIONS AND FEES

- Each solo entry is \$30.00
- Each ensemble entry is \$50.00
- All registrations must be made online at katyhsband.org/color-guard-program.html
- All fees must be made to "KHSBBA" and mailed to:
 - Katy High School Color Guard
 - Michelle Jordan
 - 6331 Hwy Blvd
 - Katy, TX 77494
- The performer(s) will only be secured a spot once the payment has been received.
- The registration deadline is **April 21, 2019!**
- All performers and their directors will be notified once their registration and payment has been received. A full performance schedule, maps, directions, and extra information will be sent out the week before the contest.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The address to Katy High School is 6331 Highway Blvd. Katy, TX 77494
- Tickets for spectators will be \$7.00 at the door. All performers are allowed to watch for free before/after performing. Children under the age of 5 and school color guard directors will get in free.
- Please bring cash to purchase concession stand items, as well as merchandise from our vendors! We will also be selling a "West Houston Spin Show 2019" event t-shirt.
- If there are any questions, please contact Michelle Jordan (Katy HS Color Guard Director) at 936-615-5268 or michellejordan717@yahoo.com