



Dance Competition for the Stars

SPARTANBURG, SC - MARCH 12-14, 2021

SPARTANBURG MARRIOTT

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FRIDAY, MARCH 12

5:15 PM DOORS OPEN
6:15 PM MINI AND PETITE SOLOS
7:20 PM AWARDS FOR MINI AND PETITE SOLOS

7:40 PM JUNIOR SOLOS
10:05 PM AWARDS FOR JUNIOR SOLOS

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

7:00 AM DOORS OPEN
8:00 AM SESSION 1
9:30 AM SESSION 2
11:35 AM SESSION 3
2:25 PM SESSION 4
5:45 PM SESSION 5
(ALL DUET/TRIO AND GROUP AWARDS PRESENTED ON SUNDAY)

9:00 PM RECREATIONAL TEEN AND SENIOR SOLOS
10:15 PM AWARDS FOR RECREATIONAL TEEN AND SENIOR SOLOS

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

7:00 AM DOORS OPEN
8:00 AM COMPETITIVE TEEN AND SENIOR SOLOS
12:00 PM AWARDS FOR COMPETITIVE TEEN AND SENIOR SOLOS

12:30 PM SESSION 6

4:30 PM RECREATIONAL DUET/TRIO AND GROUP AWARDS
5:15 PM COMPETITIVE DUET/TRIO AND GROUP AWARDS
6:00 PM ELITE DUET/TRIO AND GROUP AWARDS

6:45 PM ELITE TEEN AND SENIOR SOLOS
7:55 PM AWARDS FOR ELITE TEEN AND SENIOR SOLOS

*Please note this is a **tentative** schedule and is subject to change. A customized schedule with individual performance times for each entry will be emailed to all studios by WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3. The deadline for changes is FRIDAY, MARCH 5 and can be emailed to susan@encoredcs.com.*

Students should be prepared to compete up to 30 minutes ahead of their scheduled performance time. We recommend watching livestream to stay up to date on the pace of the event as awards may sometimes start earlier than planned!

Guidelines and safety protocol are as follows: We are planning 2021 dance competitions with your health and safety in mind and in accordance with local mandates and guidelines from each venue. We strongly encourage a maximum of 2 spectators for every dancer. Because seating will be limited in the venue, we kindly ask that you encourage parents to exit the space when their students are not performing so that others have a chance to watch their children. We invite and encourage family and friends to watch via livestream, especially the elderly, high-risk individuals or those with underlying health conditions.

Duet/Trio and Group Competition has been divided into sessions. Teachers will receive an email stating which session of competition your studio's duet/trios and groups have been assigned. There will be a limited number of studios in each session of the competition and the auditorium will be sectioned off so that each studio will have a separate seating area. Please ask your parents and students to only be in the auditorium during the session in which your studio competes and to sit in the designated seating area reserved for your studio indicated with signs. There will be a 15-minute judges break between group sessions so that the area can be sanitized.

Dressing room space will be assigned and each studio will have a designated area. We ask that only one adult per child is in the dressing room, with no additional siblings or friends. For students that are only competing solos, we highly encourage you to come dressed and ready to perform, as space is limited. If possible, we encourage students over the age of 12 to help each other with quick changes so we can limit the number of people in the dressing room.

For duet/trio and group competition only: If your dressing room is not ready, you will be assigned a "meeting space" to gather for warming up and dressing for one hour prior to your session. You will be able to move to the dressing room after the previous session has ended and we have sanitized the area.

Solo awards will be in person with limited numbers of people in each ceremony. We will have a designated area on stage for each studio. Awards will also be livestreamed for those that prefer to watch virtually!

Studios have the choice of watching duet/trio and group awards virtually OR participating in an in person ceremony on stage. If your studio is participating on stage we kindly ask each studio to select one representative from each routine to represent you on stage. We will have a designated area on stage for each studio. We encourage all other students and parents to watch awards via livestream. If your studio chooses to participate virtually teachers should pick up awards before the end of the competition weekend. Trophies and awards cannot be shipped after the event.

Our mask policy is based on the local government and the venue. At this time, masks are required for all spectators. Students do not have to wear masks when they are performing, but should wear one at all other times. If dancers choose to wear masks on stage there will certainly be no penalty or deduction.

Photos and videos of each routine are provided at no additional cost! Teachers will receive an email with your media password and more information. Media will be available at www.encoredcs.com within five days of the event. We look forward to seeing you soon!