

2023-2024 Rules and Policies

Level 3 Placement Only

Number of Meets

- A minimum of three District Meets will be offered.
- One District Championship
- One North or One South State Championship (Culminating Meet)
- Carol Hillenburg Memorial Texas State Invitational

Entry Fees/Guidelines

- **\$75.00 District Meets & District Championship Entry Fee**
- **\$110.00 State Championship Entry Fee**
 - **\$5.00 per entry must be sent to the RACC (Kim Lauderdale) for the Regional Apparel Fund**
 - **\$2.00 per entry must be sent to the State Chair (Debbie Williams) for the Head Tax Fee**
 - **\$25.00 Leotard Fee (Meet Director must send monies to State Chair)**
 - **\$85.00 Championship Entry fee if not ordering the leotard**
 - **\$85.00 Hillenburg Entry Fee**

It is mandatory, per USA Gymnastics to enter all USAG Sanctioned Competitions on the USA Gymnastics Reservation System. This is not in lieu of a paper entry; payment and paper entries must be received in the hands of the meet director by the entry deadline.

Entry fees must be received by the date posted on the Competition Deadline Chart (may be found on the TXUSAG.com website under Meet Director or Meet Info)

- Entries received after the deadline may be accepted by the meet director on space availability, with the approval of the competition committee. A late fee of 30% of the total entry fee will be assessed, as well as possible additional penalties according to the circumstances that surround the late entry.
- Entry Fee refunds may be given prior to the Entry Deadline. Fees are non-refundable after the deadline. Please see the official competition deadline chart for specific dates. (May be found on the Txusag.com website under Meet Director or Meet Info)

Gate Fees

- **Districts & District Championships**
 - Adults \$15 per day
 - Children 12 & under/ Seniors 60+ \$10per day
- **State**
 - Adults \$15 per day
 - Children 12 & under/ Seniors 60+ \$10 per day

Judges

- Judges must hold a Level 4/5 or above rating.
- District Qualifiers & District Championships- 2 judges per panel.
- North & South State Championships – 2 judges per panel, plus a separate meet referee.
- Texas NAWGJ will assign judges for District Qualifying competitions and District Championships.
- The State Administrative Assignment Committee will determine the final selection of officials for the State Championships.
- The final score of each athlete will be flashed on all individual events.

Event Awards

- Official USAG State Championship Medals are required at the State Championships. Order the Official USA Gymnastics State Championship medals through the State Chair.
- Events: 50% of the athletes entered in each Age Group must be recognized with Medals on each of the four (4) individual events.
- 100% of the athletes must be recognized in the All Around with medals.
- The Meet director is financially responsible for the state medals.
- The medals must be 2" in size and must be made of metal.

Team Competition

- Large Team: Clubs entering Team Competition with 11 or more athletes will be placed into Large Team competition. 7 scores will count for Large Team Competition.
- Medium Team: Clubs entering Team Competition with 6-10 athletes will be placed into Medium Team competition. 5 scores will count for Medium Team competition.
- Small Team: Clubs entering Team Competition with 3-5 athletes will be placed into Small Team competition. 3 scores will count for Small Team competition.
- TEAM SIZE MAY NOT CHANGE AFTER THE MEET DEADLINE.
- Team Entry is \$35 per team.
- 50% of the clubs entering will receive a banner. If 4 clubs or less, award 1st-3rd Place.
- State Championships: Team Competition will be allowed at the Texas State Championships.
- **At State Championships (banners must be used): Teams will be awarded 1st – 3rd. ***No charge for team competition. All clubs will be entered in team competition based on the number of athletes registered. *****
- Carol Hillenburg Memorial Texas State Invitational
 - See TXUSAG.com for specific information on this meet.
- Official banners are required at all District Qualifiers and District Championships.
- The official Banner supplier company is recommended for ALL State Program competitions, but is not required, as long as the banner supplier chosen meets state size, weight and quality requirements of the banner. (Approval by the SACC)

Qualifying Procedures

- Athletes may NOT compete outside of their home district for any District Qualifier or District Championship.
- Compulsory Invitational Competitions are not recognized for Qualification to District Championships, North or South State Championships.
- District Meets: No score needed to enter. All registered USAG athletes training at a club within the district may enter the competition. Gymnast may compete as a Level 3 Placement and move to Level 3 Achievement at the discretion of the coach.
- District Championships: 20.00 AA achieved as a Level 3A or 3P at a District Qualifier needed to enter.
- An athlete may obtain her 20.00 AA as a Level 3 Achievement and enter District Championships as a Level 3 Placement athlete, at the discretion of her coach.
- North/South State Championships
 - Qualification will occur at District Championships.
 - 360 total athletes from Districts 1, 2, 3 & 4 District Championships will advance to the USAG Texas State Championships held in North Texas based on a % of a % from each age group.
 - 360 total athletes from Districts 5, 6 & 7 District Championships will advance to the USAG Texas State Championships held in South Texas based on a % of a % from each age group.

- An additional 60 athletes will advance to North or South State Championships “AT LARGE” based on All Around score; 30 of the 60 At large will advance from North State and 30 of the 60 At large will advance from South State regardless of age group or geographical location.
- Carol Hillenburg Memorial Invitational: No score needed to enter – All compulsory athletes are allowed to enter.

Special Rules

- Gymnast must have reached her 6th birthday to compete Level 3 (she may compete on her 6th birthday).
- Gymnast may *drop back one level 1 week prior* to entry deadline for District Championships.
- The ultimate goal is to have approximately 15 athletes per age group.
- Athletes will not necessarily remain in the same Age Group from meet to meet based on the rule of redistribution of Age Groups (determined by all entries and divided into equal Age Groups based on D.O.B.).
- Age Groups for Level 3 District Meet will be as follows: Jr. A, Jr. B, Jr. C, Sr. A, Sr. B, Sr. C.
- For District Qualifiers & District Championships competitive order may be by team or by age group. At North/South, draw **MUST** be by Age Group (per USAG Rules & Policies). Contact Competition Chairs for assistance).
- Compulsory Invitationals *may not* be used to qualify to District Championships, North or South State Championships.
- Mobility to Level 4 is a 32.00 All Around, as a Level 3 athlete.
- Athletes may move to Level 3 Achievement prior to the District Championships.
- **North & South State Championships**
 - Age Groups for Level 3 North and South State Championships will be as follows: Jr. A, Jr. B, Jr. C, Sr. A, Sr. B, Sr. C. with 3 sub-divisions per age group; Example Jr. A1, Jr. A2, Jr. A3. This will total
 - In the event entry numbers are low, the number of age groups may be reduced with the approval of a competition chairperson.
 - The ultimate goal is to have approximately 15 athletes per age group.
 - The schedule for State Meet is determined by the SAC and will consist of approximately 60 athletes. The order of the sessions will be Sr. C to Jr. A.

Event Specialist

- There are no event specialist for Level 3.