

Hello families! Thank you for attending the 2021 USA Invitational! In an effort to keep everyone safe and healthy, we ask that you adhere to all the guidelines outlined below... We ask that everyone practice social distancing in our lobby and balcony area at all times. Please do not clump groups of chairs/tables together.

- 1. **Masks:** All judges, coaches and spectators will be required to wear a mask at all times! Athletes will be required to wear a mask at all times except for during general warm-up/stretch, timed warm-ups and competition.
- 2. **Sessions:** Spectators and athletes will not be able to enter the facility until the current session has completed, everyone has exited the competition area and the facility has been sanitized. Look for signs directing you to the appropriate entrance (Spectator entrance = Main front doors- North side of the building; Athletes/Coaches entrance = Garage door- West side of the building). Temperature will be taken for all spectators before entrance is allowed into the facility. All athletes will have their temperature taken before entrance onto the gym floor is allowed.
- 3. **Parking:** Spectators are welcome to park in any open spaces around the facility. An overflow parking area will be available once all spaces are filled. It is located directly North of the building and can be accessed from inside the general parking lot for the gym.
- 4. Admissions: Each athlete/family will receive 2 spectator tickets (included in the cost of the meet entry fee). Wristbands will be sent to the participating gyms prior to the meet and those gyms are responsible for handing them out to all families prior to the weekend of the event. (Spectator entrance = Main front doors- North side of the building; Athletes/Coaches entrance = Garage door- West side of the building). *We will not be selling any wristbands at the door, the day of the competition.

- 5. **Equipment and Sanitizer:** Hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes will be located throughout the facility. Vault will be Spieth; landing surface will be a hard mat on top of a full resi. Bars will be AAI; landing surface will be a regulation competition landing mat. Beam will be AAI; landing surface will be a regulation competition landing mat at one end, and a hard mat on top of a full resi at the other end. Floor will be Spieth.
- 6. **Chalk:** We will have chalk available to all athletes at our chalk boxes. Anyone not comfortable with that may bring their own.
- 7. **Athlete belongings, water and snacks:** We will have a designated area for each team where they can keep their belongings. We ask that each athlete bring their own water bottle and snacks, to remain in their gym bag for the duration of the competition, with unlimited access.
- 8. Awards: We will be conducting the awards on the competition floor, at the conclusion of each session. There are approximately 8-10 athletes per age group at each division/level. We will be awarding the top 3 places for each age group in each level, except for Levels 3, 4, 5, Xcel Bronze and Xcel Silver, they will get top 3 places for each event, but will go out 100% in the all around. Team awards will be awarded to the 1st place team, or 1st and 2nd place teams depending on the level and number of teams in each level. *Viewing may not be the greatest, and we will be distributing the awards in a quick and safe manner. Photo opportunities may be very limited. However, we will have a photo-op set up outside, with a backdrop and a podium to commemorate your athlete's success at the USA Invitational.

Spectators will be able to purchase food and beverages from our USA Café. We ask that NO food or beverage of any kind be out in the gym area. Please only consume items in the lobby or balcony areas.

We appreciate your patience as we navigate through these uncertain times! We will do our best to accommodate everyone in a friendly and safe manner! See session schedule in separate attachment.

Thank you!