

twirling with the stars

TEXAS, LOUISIANA, OKLAHOMA, & MISSISSIPPI
STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 25 - 26, 2026

Entry Deadline: March 31, 2026

Lee College
550 Lee Dr
Baytown, TX 77520

Hosted by:



Sanctioned by:



State Championship INDIVIDUAL ENTRY

USTA # _____ Contestant Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Age (08-31-2026): _____ DOB: ____/____/____

Phone: _____ List all instructors – Primary 1st: _____

State Representing: Texas Louisiana Mississippi Oklahoma

FOUNDATION EVENTS

***Denotes Non-Sanctioned Events**

- \$12 - Modeling* Rating* Open*
- \$12 - Basic Strut Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv
- \$12 - Military Strut Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv
- \$12 - Parade March Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv
- \$12 - Presentation Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv

EVALUATIVE EVENTS

- \$15 - Compulsories C A
 B AA
 BI AAA
 BII Elite
- \$15 - Movement/Technique C A
 B AA
 BI AAA
 BII Elite

\$20 - Short Program _____

- \$25 - Freestyle A AA AAA Elite
- \$25 - Freestyle Pairs AA AAA Elite

\$25 - *Rhythmic Twirl

Partner Name: _____

USTA ID# _____

\$25 - Collegiate _____

Name of University: _____

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

***Denotes Non-Sanctioned Events**

- \$15 - Solo Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv Elite*
- \$15 - Artistic Twirl Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv Elite*
- \$15 - USTA Strut Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv Elite*
- \$15 - 2 Baton Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv Elite*
- \$15 - 3 Baton Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv Elite*
- \$30/pr - Duet Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv Elite*

Partner Name: _____

USTA ID# _____

\$30/pr - Artistic Pair Rating* Nov Beg Int Adv

Partner Name: _____

USTA ID# _____

\$15 - X-Strut* Rating* Open*

\$15 - Show Twirl* Rating* Open*

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

- \$25 - STATE SOLO
- \$25 - STATE ARTISTIC TWIRL
- \$25 - STATE USTA STRUT
- \$25 - STATE 2 BATON
- \$25 - STATE 3 BATON
- \$50 per pair - STATE DUET

Partner Name: _____

USTA ID# _____

\$50 per pair - ARTISTIC PAIRS

Partner Name: _____

USTA ID# _____

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TOTAL DUE:

Event Subtotal	_____
T-Shirt	_____
Program Ad	_____
Facility Fee	<u> \$10.00 </u>
Total Due	_____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Entry Deadline: March 31st, 2026

www.paypal.com/paypalme/USTAtxstatetwirling

Online registration link:

<https://form.jotform.com/253084431662152>

State Championship **GROUP ENTRY**

Team Name: _____

Team Director's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ (confirmation to be sent via email ONLY)

Phone: _____ List all instructors – Primary 1st: _____

State Representing: Texas Louisiana Mississippi Oklahoma

Entry MUST include a list of all members age, date of birth, and USTA ID#

Division Teams:	Team Size:	Corps & Group Size:
Tiny Tot – 0-7 (no member over the age of 7)	Small: 4-8 members	10 or more twirling members
Primary – average age 9.99	Large: 9 or more members	
Juvenile – average age 10.0-13.99		
Junior – average age 14.0-17.99		
Senior – average age 18.0+		

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP - \$15 per member

Group Name: _____ Total Avg. Age (08/31/2024) _____ # of Athletes: _____ # of Alternates: _____

Title(s) of Musical Selection(s): _____

__ STATE TRIO	PRIM. __ JUV. __ JR. __ SR. __		
__ STATE DANCE TWIRL	JUV. __	__ AAA	__ SMALL __ LARGE
	JR. __	__ AAA __ ELITE	__ SMALL __ LARGE
	SR. __	__ AAA __ ELITE	__ SMALL __ LARGE
__ STATE TWIRL TEAM	JR. __	__ AAA __ ELITE	__ SMALL __ LARGE
	Sr. __	__ AAA __ ELITE	__ SMALL __ LARGE
__ STATE SHOW TEAM	PRIM. __ JUV. __ JR. __ SR. __		__ SMALL __ LARGE
__ STATE ENTERTAINMENT CORP	YOUTH (avg age <13.9) __	JUNIOR (avg age 14.0-16.9) __	SENIOR (avg age 17.0+) __
__ STATE PARADE CORP	YOUTH (avg age <13.9) __	JUNIOR (avg age 14.0-16.9) __	SENIOR (avg age 17.0+) __
__ STATE ARTISTIC GROUP			

OPEN & RATING COMPETITION GROUP

Group Name: _____ Total Avg. Age (08/31/2024) _____ # of Athletes: _____ # of Alternates: _____

Title(s) of Musical Selection(s): _____

Competitive: \$12.00 per member **Rating: \$10.00 per member**

__ TRIO	PRIM. __ JUV. __ JR. __ SR. __	BEG __ INT. __ ADV __	RATING* __
__ TINY TOT DANCE TWIRL	NOVICE __ A __ AA __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ PRIMARY DANCE TWIRL	NOVICE __ A __ AA __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ JUVENILE DANCE TWIRL	NOVICE __ A __ AA __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ JUNIOR DANCE TWIRL	NOVICE __ A __ AA __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ SENIOR DANCE TWIRL	NOVICE __ A __ AA __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ PRIMARY TWIRL TEAM	NOVICE __ A __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ JUVENILE TWIRL TEAM	NOVICE __ A __ AA __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ JUNIOR TWIRL TEAM	NOVICE __ A __ AA __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ SENIOR TWIRL TEAM	NOVICE __ A __ AA __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ SHOW TWIRL TEAM	PRIM. __ JUV. __ JR. __ SR. __		RATING* __ __ SMALL __ LARGE
__ ENTERTAINMENT CORPS	YOUTH (avg age <13.9) __	JUNIOR (avg age 14.0-16.9) __	SENIOR (avg age 17.0+) __ RATING* __
__ PARADE CORPS	YOUTH (avg age <13.9) __	JUNIOR (avg age 14.0-16.9) __	SENIOR (avg age 17.0+) __ RATING* __
__ ARTISTIC GROUP (ONE DIVISION)	OPEN __		RATING* __

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Event Subtotal	\$ _____
Program AD	\$ _____
Facility Fee (per team)	\$ <u>10.00</u>
Total Due	\$ _____

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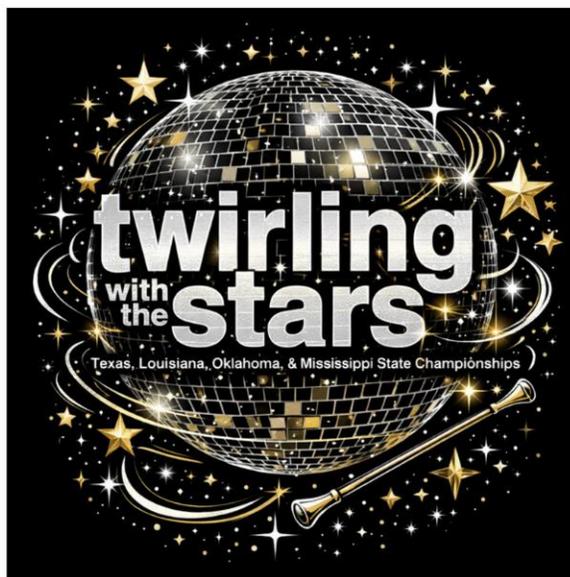
RULES & REGULATIONS

- This is a USTA sanctioned contest with USTA rules, regulations, judges and music.
- Only baton events are sanctioned by the United States Twirling Association.
- Non-sanctioned events will be noted with an asterisk on the entry form.
- No refunds for any reason (other than cancellation of the entire event). Postponement due to weather is NOT a cancellation.
- Neither contest directors or contest facilities will be responsible for accidents, injuries or loss of property.
- Program will be emailed to coaches only to check for errors.
- Contestants will compete at the age they are as of August 31st of contest year.
- Set system will be utilized. See program, note set, and lane for each event entered.
- Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated.
- Rule changes made by USTA Board of Directors will automatically go into effect at proper time and take priority over those stated.
- Entering more than one level: Effective September 1, 2019, athletes may only enter one level up from their current level in a particular event. For example, a Beginner athlete may enter Intermediate, not Advanced, since that would be two levels up.
- Group/Freestyle comments will be provided via digital recording and emailed to coaches (or scoresheets).
- Music for groups/freestyles must be emailed to texasstatetwirlingcouncil@gmail.com prior to competition.
- Team/corp age division is determined by averaging age of members. You may enter older division if at least one member is in that division.
- Athlete may be a member of more than one team/corp, but team must be in separate categories. Athlete cannot compete against self.
- If team/corp member cannot perform on contest day and it changes category entered, team may perform for Evaluation only.
- SMOKING PROHIBITED anywhere on school property and at USTA competitions.
- A 1st place win is a "win" with more than one athlete in each category.
- Novice – contestant/group who has won less than 3 competitive first place awards in that event.
- Beginner – contestant/group who has won less than 5 competitive first place awards in that event.
- Intermediate – contestant/group who has won less than 10 competitive first place awards in that event.
- Advanced – contestant/group who has won 10 or more competitive first place awards in that event.
- USTA recognizes all other twirling organizations 1st place wins, except USTA Strut.
- The main goal of USTA is the development and promotion of *Good Sportsmanship*. Therefore, athlete/group may enter one level above current classification.
- Critique events – comments will be provided via digital recording and emailed (or scoresheets).
- Contest director has the right to combine/divide age groups as entries warrant.
- In the event of a discrepancy, the judge's master is final.
- Age groups and awards may vary slightly at the discretion of the Contest Director.
- \$35.00 NSF fee for returned checks.
- You may evaluate no more than 2 levels of Compulsories or Movement Technique at any event.
- \$25.00 Late fee for any entries received after the deadline.

State Championship
MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Group/Coach: _____



Youth Small _____

Adult Small _____

Youth Medium _____

Adult Medium _____

Youth Large _____

Adult Large _____

Adult XL _____

Adult XXL _____

T-Shirt _____ \$25.00 x _____ quantity

Tank Top _____ \$22.00 x _____ quantity

Sweatshirt _____ \$40.00 x _____ quantity

Sweatpants _____ \$40.00 x _____ quantity

Merchandise Total Due _____

State Championship PROGRAM AD

Show your support to your athletes by taking out an ad in the State Program!

Business Card:	\$10.00
1/4 Page Ad:	\$20.00
1/2 Page Ad:	\$30.00
Full Page Ad:	\$50.00

Name of Purchaser: _____

Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Submit all print quality pictures or art work ready to be photocopied. We can also print your business card as part of your ad. *Show ad on a separate sheet as it should appear.*

Circle one: Business Card Ad 1/4 page Ad 1/2 page Ad Full Page Ad

Amount enclosed with Ad: _____

Ads are DUE with State Entry March 31, 2026

Email ads: texasstatetwirlingcouncil@gmail.com

WAIVER/INDEMNITY OF LIABILITY: I agree to assume the risk of any injury that may happen to me (or my child) as a result of participation in a USTA sanction event. I further agree to indemnify and hold the United States Twirling Association, USTA State Councils, Lee College, and their agents, or employees harmless from any loss sustained as a result of injury to me (or my child) as a result of participation in USTA events. I have read the "Parents/Legal Guardians Responsibilities" in Section 1 of the current edition of the USTA Information, Procedures and Rules manual. As a condition for USTA's acceptance of my (or my child's) entry in a USTA event, I agree to abide by and perform each of the duties set forth in that Section. By participating in a USTA event, I give USTA permission to use photos and video of myself (or my children) taken in conjunction with a USTA event.

Signed (by Parent/Guardian if under 18) _____

Printed Name _____

Date _____

The Catherine Lewis Memorial Essay Competition

Catherine Golden Lewis was a life-long resident of Sulphur, LA. She was fascinated with baton twirling during her younger years and often laughed as she told the story of how she ended up a drummer instead of a twirler because of a silly waist wrap that flew across the gym floor at her one and only audition for high school majorette. By the time she made it back from retrieving her baton from that waist wrap at the beginning of her routine, unfortunately the music was over, and so were her dreams of becoming a majorette. However, she felt blessed to spend all of her adult life around our sport because of her daughter, Lori, who began lessons at 3 years old and is still involved today, and her granddaughter, Emily, whom she cherished and was truly her biggest fan. Catherine was extremely creative and made some beautiful costumes and pageant dresses over the years, and she supported every twirler with love and compassion at every opportunity.



She is dearly missed, but her legacy will live on through our essay competition which is designed to help all twirlers become better communicators and instill the values of sportsmanship and camaraderie that are most important in any activity.

Thank you all for participating and please remember that your twirling teacher and supporters care far more about you than the reach of your twirling success.

The Catherine Lewis Memorial Essay Competition will award \$150 scholarships to one junior athlete (ages 0 - 14) and one senior athlete (ages 15 and over).

Essays are due by April 7th, 2026 to texasstatetwirlingcouncil@gmail.com and will be judged by a panel of 3, including Jeffrey Lewis, son of Catherine.

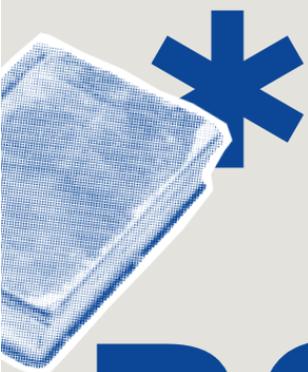
Essays should be no more than one page and can be typed or handwritten.

Junior Prompt:

What do you love most about baton twirling and how it has helped you grow as a person?

Senior Prompt:

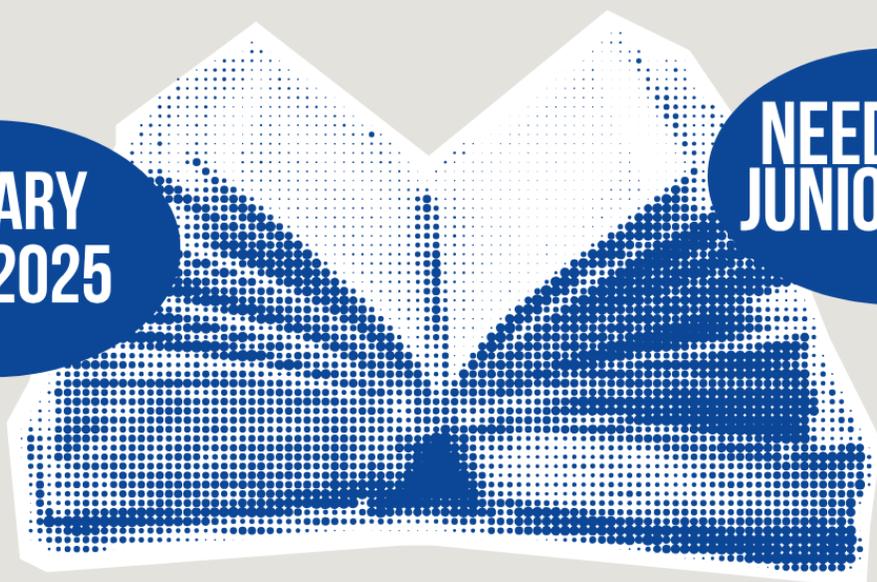
What has baton twirling taught you about teamwork or leadership, and how do you apply those lessons outside of twirling?



BOOK DRIVE

**JANUARY
24TH, 2025**

**NEEDVILLE
JUNIOR HIGH**



TEXAS TWIRLING COUNCIL IS EXCITED TO PARTICIPATE IN
USTA'S HELPING HANDS INITIATIVE.

WE ARE ASKING EVERYONE TO BRING NEW CHILDREN'S
BOOKS TO THE TEXAS TWIRLING COUNCIL CONTEST ON
JANUARY 24TH AND THEY WILL BE DONATED TO A LOCAL
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN HOUSTON, TX

@TEXASTWIRLINGCOUNCIL