

COACHES Information: Registration is open from 7:00am through 10 minutes prior to the last practice time. Teams need to register before their scheduled practice time. All information pertaining to the event is given to the coaches at their convenience. Coaches are encouraged to ask any B.I.O. representative questions that you may have.

TIME AND Fees: Doors open at 7:00am. Competition begins at 8:00am.

Spectator Pricing

Adults - \$10 - ages 13 and up

Children - \$5 - ages 6-12

Children 5 and under are FREE

Pre-Sale tickets are \$5 for Adults and will be available up to two weeks before the event.

PRACTICE AND PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE: The practice schedule will be posted on the website the Monday prior to the event. Please check back often for changes and updated times. If you have a scheduling conflict, B.I.O. will do it's best to accommodate all teams as best as we can. Please let us know immediately by emailing us. Practice times are strictly enforced. Teams that do not arrive at the scheduled time will forfeit their practice.

COMPETITION WAIVERS: Each participant must have a completed waiver in order to participate in a B.I.O. event. Any person that does not have a completed waiver prior to their practice time will be unable to perform. Waivers are available on our website along with the registration form and code of ethics.

CHEER GEAR: Best In Ohio Championship has competition specific t-shirts available as well as other Cheer Clothing such as shorts, sweatshirts, sweat pants, and t-shirts. Competition shirts are \$15. All other cheer clothing ranges from \$10 - \$50.

PHOTOS: A Photography will take team photos during the event. Pictures can be purchased at the event or online.

MUSIC: Please bring two high quality copies of your music. CD's only please. One representative of your group will be responsible for playing the music during the competition. This person must stay at the sound area throughout the entire routine. In the event that the routine is delayed due to

the responsible party's error, the timing of your routine will continue and penalties will be in place if necessary.

SCORE SHEETS: All score sheets will be available after the award ceremony at the Registration Table. Please send one coach to retrieve your team's scores.

SPOTTERS: B.I.O. believes in providing a safe environment for all participants and because of this we allow teams to provide their own spotters for their organization.

Spotters must wear appropriate shoes and clothing. Spotters are to be dressed differently from the performing team so that they are not mistaken as team members.

Spotters may only be used for stunts, pyramids, and basket tosses. Spotters are there to catch any falls and are not there to assist or save stunts, pyramids,

or basket tosses. Spotters are there for safety reasons only and are not to verbally coach the team during

the performance and must not engage in inappropriate behavior before, during, or

after the performance. Spotters must exit immediately following the routine.

Spotters that do not adhere to the above rules will receive a 5-point deduction per infraction for the routine.

CODE OF CONDUCT: Best In Ohio asks that the following code of conduct be followed during all B.I.O events, to ensure a positive experience for all teams and individuals involved. Any questions or concerns that affect a team's performance must be expressed by one coach/advisor to the appropriate B.I.O. official before the team's performance. Any unruly behavior by the coaches/advisors, participants or team's spectators will result in removal from the event with **NO REFUNDS**. There will be no contact with the judges from any participant, coach/advisor, or spectator during the competition. The judge's decisions are final concerning deductions, specific rulings, and final placement. We expect all teams, coaches/advisors, and spectators to represent themselves and their community in a positive and respectful manner. Each team must sign and date a Code of Conduct in order to compete at any B.I.O. event. This form is available on website under the registration form and waivers.

CANCELLATION POLICY: B.I.O. will not cancel any event regardless of weather conditions. Please make the necessary arrangements so you will not have any problems arriving to the competition site on time. No refunds will be given to teams that choose not to attend. Host venues may force us to cancel due to unseen circumstances in which case a back up date will be provided.

SCORE PROTEST: Any coach that feels a mistake has been made may file a protest with the B.I.O. competition coordinator. At this particular time the scores will be reviewed and discussed and adjustments may be made. Only legitimate protests will be reviewed. All protests must be placed within 30 minutes after the award ceremony. No changes will be made after that time and all judges' decision will be final. Any coach/advisor that approaches a judge will not be given the opportunity for their complaint to be heard.