



HIGH SCHOOL TEAM MATCH EVENT RULES & REGULATIONS 2023-2024

Organized by *Danzinskule Education Foundation* – 501©3

SCHOOL NAME: _____ TEACHER NAME: _____

Listed below are the rules for the High School Ballroom Competition event. These regulations have been established to help safeguard the fidelity of the program and to ensure that the team match event is a positive and enjoyable experience for everyone involved. These rules also emphasize the “Recreational” nature of the team match event. Should any point arise which is not covered in the rules, it will be referred to the Event Coordinator, Cheryll Treu, and the *Danzinskule Education Foundation* board whose decisions will be final.

LIABILITY: Anyone attending a High School Ballroom Team Match event does so at his or her own risk. *Danzinskule Education Foundation*, school districts, or any school involved is NOT liable for students, teachers, or parents attending a team match event. **It is the responsibility of a parent or legal guardian of the student to provide transportation to and from any team match event unless a school bus is provided.**

AWARDS: The High School Competition event will award a perpetual trophy to the school who displays the most **SPiRiT** and to the school that shows the best **SPORTSMANSHIP**. Trophies will be awarded to the First through Third Place team match teams and every team match dancer will receive a ribbon (Bronze, Silver or Gold) associated with the placement of the team score. Single dance Couples will be awarded 1st to 3rd placement with medals and 4th to 6th placement with ribbons. One couple from each school will be recognized with an **EXCELLENCE AWARD**, also referred to as the “Dedicated Dancer” award. The teacher will choose a boy and a girl who is “dedicated to the classroom experience” and present a medal to each student at the event.

RULES AND REGULATION

1. Each participating school must submit a ***High School Ballroom Team Match Rules and Regulations Form*** signed by the teacher and principal to *Danzinskule Education Foundation*. (Sign on back of this page at bottom of this form).
2. Each attending student, parent, teacher and administration must sign a ***Team Match waiver and Media Release Form*** found on the register4comps.com website. This form will be effective for all team matches events and single dance couple events held during the current school year. **This form must be signed before a school’s team registration is accepted and processed.**
3. Each High school team match team may consist of High School age students who must attend the school they represent. **All exception must be approved by the Team Match Events Coordinator.**
4. Students must dress in accordance with the following guidelines listed below in order to participate in the High Team Match event. **Each school will be assigned a specific tie color for the men and leotard color for the ladies to identify dancers on their school team.**
 - Boys** - White long-sleeved, button down, collared shirt, black pants, **black socks**, and **colored tie**.
 - Girls** - Black colored Latin skirt (**even hem-line to the knee**) or Ballroom skirt (**even hem-line to mid-calf or ankle**) with black spankies (or trunks) and a **COLORED** leotard.
5. Shoes for the Team Match events are as follows:
 - Boys** – Dance shoes need to have a thin sole that do not create scuff marks on the dance floor. A ballroom dance shoe is preferred.
 - Girls** – Ballroom shoe highly recommended. **Heel guards are required.**

6. Each team consists of four (4) couples for the Fall High Team Match held in November and also the Winter Team Match held in February. Ballroom Coaches will assign each couple a specific dance to perform.

Fall Team Match Dances include

- American Swing
- International Rumba (Bronze)
- American Foxtrot (Silver)
- International Tango (Level 2)

Fall Single Dance Events

- American Swing (Newcomer)
- American Foxtrot (Silver)
- International Waltz (Bronze)
- International Cha Cha (Level 2)

7. Each couple on the team match team will be scored during their assigned dance and their score will be added to the other team couple marks to create a cumulative team score. The highest team score wins 1st place in the team match competition. Each school ballroom coach is required to register their team match teams through *register4comps.com* website.

8. A team qualifies to participate at any team match by adhering to the most recent curriculum (specific and complete dance steps, with no changes or embellishments) and routines set by the Danzinskule High School Ballroom Coordinator, Elaine Grenko.

9. Teams **NOT** adhering to the specific and complete dance routines will be automatically given a “Bronze” ribbon and asked to meet with the Danzinskule High School Ballroom Coordinator to review the routines.

10. In addition, single dance events for couples will also be offered to allow maximum participation from all the students in the High School ballroom classes. Details of the single couple dance events will be decided in the High School Coaches meeting. Each school ballroom coach is required to register their school couples for single dance events through *register4comps.com* website.

11. Only those students who are enrolled in a ballroom class held at a High School (either part of a public school, private school, or Charter school) are eligible to take part in a High School Team Match event. If students do not participate in a High school ballroom class, then the entire team is subject to disqualification from the team match event.

12. Students who participate at a High School Team Match event must take part in a High School ballroom program during the same school year a team match is offered.

13. The number of teams and couples a school can register to participate will be determined once the team preliminary numbers and couple single dance numbers are submitted to the event organizers. The goal for the event to allow as many students the opportunity to participate, taking into consideration the time frame of the team match event and couple single dance events.

14. Final interpretation of these rules and regulations will be determined by *Danzinskule Education Foundation* board and it’s members. Any concerns or questions regarding the rules or implied rules will be referred to the board and the *Danzinskule* events coordinator.

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School Name	Phone #	
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Ballroom Coach Signature	Phone #	Date
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Principal Signature	Phone #	Date

