Elko New Market TWD Competitions 2024

You are receiving this email because your dancer is in a class that will attend Together We Dance (TWD) Competitions this season. We will compete at two - three competitions this season and an opportunity to compete at the National TWD Competition in Rochester at the end of April 2024.

Competitions are a fun and positive experience for dancers to showcase their hard work and strive to keep improving each time they compete. If competitions are new to you we promise you and your dancer will thoroughly enjoy them. It is the highlight of many of our dancers' season!

Dancers would arrive, ready to compete 1 - 1 ½ hours before their expected performance time. They usually compete against 5-8 teams in their division. After the division(s) they have an awards ceremony. This allows dancers to compete and learn of their placement quickly. Dancers and fans are at the competition for a couple of hours versus all day, or weekend, unless you are competing in multiple styles.

There is a possibility that classes from our Elko New Market program may compete against each other. For example, we have several Wee and Mini level classes that are of similar size so it is likely they will go against each other in their division.

There are entry fees for dancers to compete based on the number of routines they are competing in that day.

2024 Entry Fees

There will be NO ADMISSION charged for spectators to watch at any of the TWD Competitions

\$42.00 for first routine \$20.00 for second routine (additional) \$11.00 for third routine (additional) \$10.00 for each additional performance (additional)

Entry Fees for Rochester Nationals Competition:

\$47.00 for first routine \$21.00 for second routine (additional) \$12.00 for third routine (additional) \$11.00 for each additional performance (additional)



Competitions we are competing at this year are listed below. Dancers will compete on one of the days listed- which will be announced closer to the event. Some competitions may open on Friday evenings (Eastview, Apple Valley) and we may be pulled into those. We wanted to get these dates to you so you can add to your calendars. More detailed information will come as we get closer to competition season.

February 24-25th, 2024- Eastview High School; Apple Valley, MN - **ALL TEAMS** *I have requested to compete Saturday, but also mentioned we could move teams to Friday night if they needed.*

March 2-3rd, 2024- Kennedy High School; Bloomington, MN - ONLY JUNIOR & SENIOR TEAMS

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April 6-7th, 2024- Apple Valley High School; Apple Valley, MN - ALL TEAMS I have requested to compete Saturday.

NATIONALS:

April 24-28th, 2024- Rochester Mayo Civic Center; Rochester, MN - ALL TEAMS I have requested for Junior and Senior level teams to compete Friday, due to New Prauge prom on 4/27. For Wee & Mini level classes I requested to compete Saturday, but they may spread some teams out over the weekend, because it is such a huge event.

Note: Every year we have had strong hard working teams who have qualified to go to Nationals. This year we are taking <u>all</u> teams, but we want to ensure that our team work and team culture are strong like they have been in previous years. If any team is not putting in the hard work and dedication we will consider pulling them from the National competition. It is an honor to be there and we want to be sure we are taking teams that work and deserve to be at that competition level.

NATIONALS HOTEL ROOM BLOCK:

Elko New Market has a hotel room block this year! The Kahler Inn & Suites has a room block for us.The Kahler Inn & Suites is about a 10 minute walk to the Mayo Civic Center by street. If rooms fill up we can look at adding more to our block. Reservations must be received by **Thursday, April 4th** or the remaining rooms will be released and likely at a much higher rate.

Kahler Inn & Suites Reservation Link: <u>Kahler Inn and Suites - Reservations - Room Availability</u> (synxis.com)

CLASSES COMPETING

Junior Kix - Monday Junior Hip Hop - Monday Senior Kix

Wee Combo - Tuesday - Will compete in both kick and hip hop categories Junior Kix - Tuesday Junior Jazz/Lyrical - Will compete in both jazz and lyrical categories Senior Jazz/Lyrical - Will compete in both jazz and lyrical categories

Wee Hip Hop Mini Combo - Wednesday - Will compete in both kick and hip hop categories Mini Jazz/Lyrical - Will compete in both jazz and lyrical categories

Wee Combo - Thursday - Will compete in both kick and hip hop categories Mini Combo - Thursday - Will compete in both kick and hip hop categories Mini Hip Hop Junior Hip Hop - Thursday

