

**NEVADA INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
SANCTIONING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SPIRIT SQUADS
(Cheer, Dance, Pom, Drill)**

This sanctioning process pertains to competitions / events for Nevada high school spirit squads.

NIAA SANCTION IS REQUIRED FOR:

1. Any in-state competition/event that is sponsored or co-sponsored by an organization other than an NIAA member school.
2. Any in-state competition/event that is sponsored by a member school and includes schools from other states.
3. Any in-state competition/event that is sponsored by a member school and does not include schools from other states.
4. Any out-of-state competition/event attended by an NIAA member school that is sponsored or co-sponsored by an organization other than a member school of that state's high school association.
5. Any out-of-state competition/event that is attended by an NIAA member school that is sponsored or co-sponsored by a member school of that state's high school association.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. All events sanctioned by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association must be conducted in compliance with all National Federation and host state/school rules and regulations.
2. No member school or organization may use the wording "State Competition" when referring to competitions sanctioned in Nevada.
3. A list of invited schools (including states) and/or non-sponsored school groups (ie: all stars, cheer gyms, etc.) must be submitted with your application for sanction.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. Sanction forms are available from the NIAA office.
2. Applicant for event must submit the completed form to the NIAA office no later than 30 days prior to the event. If a late request is approved, the applicant will be assessed a fine of \$100.00.
3. The NIAA office will notify the applicant in writing regarding approval.
4. The sanctioning form will be reviewed by the NIAA Executive Director and the State Spirit Director.
5. The results of the ruling on the sanction will be forwarded to all member schools.
6. The following must be provided with your completed sanctioning form:
 - a. Copy of event/competition rules and regulations
 - b. Proof of liability
 - c. List of squads to be invited

REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION

1. Member schools will check the NIAA web site (www.nevada.ihigh.com) to confirm a sanctioned competition/event. A copy of the completed sanctioning form should be forwarded to your building principal.
2. Schools will be fined \$500.00 for attending a non-sanctioned event.
3. Member schools or students may not compete against outside school groups (ie: all stars, cheer gyms, etc.).
4. Final authorization for participation will be given by the school's building Principal.
5. It is suggested that schools not be allowed to participate in more than three competitions each season. Competitions are not mandatory or suggested.
6. It is the coaches' responsibility to assure that his/her squad adheres to all the NIAA and National Federation Spirit Rules and Regulations.



Please date and sign this form and return it to the NIAA office. Keep a copy for your files.

(NAME OF SCHOOL)

I HAVE READ THE ATTACHED SANCTIONING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SPIRIT SQUADS AND AGREE TO ADHERE TO THE GUIDELINES AS PRESENTED.

Athletic Director

Date

Head Cheer Coach

Date

Pom/Dance/Drill Coach

Date