

**Colorado and Kansas Baton Councils present**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Annual CO-KS USTA Open Contest**  
**Saturday, April 9, 2022**

Max Jones Field House, 1206 Arcade, Goodland, KS 67735

**Entry "Received By" Deadline: March 6, 2020**

Doors open at 8:00 a.m. Contest begins at 8:30 a.m.

**Upcoming Events**

Sunday, May 1, 2022 – CO State Championships & Open Contest, Ranum Middle School

**Date, KS State Championships & Open Contest, Location**

June 2022 – Central Region Championships, location TBD

July 11-16, 2022 – US National Baton Twirling Championships, Stockton, CA

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**Goodland Hotel Info**

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

2631 Enterprise

Goodland, KS 67735

785-890-9060

Comfort Inn

2519 Enterprise Road

Goodland, KS 67735

785-899-7181

Motel 6

2420 Commerce Road

Goodland, KS 67735

785-890-5672

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Modeling, Showtwirl and X Strut are not sanctioned by USTA.
- **All entries must be RECEIVED by Mar. 6, 2022.** NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MAR. 6, 2022. Returned check fee is \$25. All entry fees must be paid prior to contest.
- Athletes enter at the age they will be on **8/31/22**. Please double check entry for correct age, events entered and amount paid.
- **Every athlete must be a current member of USTA.** All memberships – except 'Non-Member Fee' – must be paid in advance directly to USTA. Please visit [www.ustawirling.com](http://www.ustawirling.com) to download membership form or apply for membership online. Pay 'Non-Member Fee' with entry fees.
- **No flash photography allowed in the gym.**
- USTA, CBC, KBC and the Max Jones Field House are not responsible for injuries or lost or stolen articles.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS AND LEGAL GUARDIANS TO:

1. Inform themselves of potentially hazardous moves; try to prevent injuries; be aware of supervision responsibilities; inspect conditions in which an athlete can safely practice, train, perform and compete.
2. Inform themselves of equal development of athlete(s) in strength and flexibility, training, physical and mental stamina, proper technique for each move, appropriate moves for age and ability of athlete.
3. Inform themselves of proper duration and frequency of practice on potentially hazardous moves.
4. Recognize that if the athlete is in pain, the guardian must inform the coach, seek medical attention when necessary and if necessary, decrease any and all activity associated directly or indirectly with the pain.
5. Ultimately make the final decision regarding the mental/physical condition of the athlete to participate/compete.
6. Inspect the conditions of the competition, practice and adjacent areas prior to permitting the child/athlete to enter such areas. If not satisfied with the safety of the conditions presented, to 1) suggest that the coach alter the program of the child/athlete if the conditions dictate; 2) insure that the footwear of the child/athlete is suitable for the conditions; 3) prevent the child/athlete from being present where such objectionable conditions exists, when there is no alternative.
7. Supervise the activities of the child/athlete in order to protect the safety of the child/athlete and the safety of others.
8. In the event of injury to the child/athlete, assume all risk and liability for such injury. If the athlete is over 18 years of age, is the duty of the athlete to assume all risk and liability for such injury.
9. If the parent is unwilling to accept these duties, the parent shall not permit the child to be entered into competition.

## EVENT INFORMATION

### **GROUPS**

TRIO	Beg	Adv	Own Music	2-3 minutes	
DANCE TWIRL TEAMS	Beg	Adv	Own Music	2-3 minutes	
ARTISTIC GROUP	One Level		Own Music	3-3.5 minutes	
SHOW TEAMS	One Level		Own Music	2-3 minutes	
ENTERTAINMENT CORPS (formerly Show Corps)		One Level	Own Music		3-5 minutes
PARADE CORPS	One Level		Own Music	2-4 minutes	

Note: New format for Twirl Teams: Own Music 2-3:30 minutes

Twirl Team Novice: An **Open** (FOF) Event for State, Regionals, and Nationals. Open to Prim., Juv., Jr., and Sr.

Twirl Team A: An **Open** (FOF) Event for State, Regionals, and Nationals. Open to Prim., Juv., Jr., and Sr.

Twirl Team AA: A **Championship** Event for State, Regionals, and Nationals. Open to Juv., Jr., and Sr. only. NO PRIMARY.

Twirl Team AAA: A **Championship** Event for State, Regionals, and Nationals. Open to Jr. and Sr. only. NO PRIMARY OR JUVENILE.

Twirl Team Elite: A **Championship** Event for State, Regionals, and Nationals. Open to Jr. and Sr. only. NO PRIMARY OR JUVENILE.

Twirl Team now has content restrictions. See Twirl Team Content Restriction Chart.

### **FOUNDATION EVENTS**

BASIC STRUT	8 count intro, 32 count square, no twirling.	Nov, Beg, Int, Adv
MILITARY STRUT	8 count intro, 32 count L formation, no twirling.	Nov, Beg, Int, Adv
PARADE MARCH	8 count intro, 32 count formation, twirling ok.	Nov, Beg, Int., Adv
PRESENTATION	12 count intro, 32 count open pattern.	Nov, Beg, Int, Adv

### **CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS**

ARTISTIC TWIRL, ARTISTIC TWIRL PAIRS	Official music	
USTA STRUT	Official music	
SOLO	Official music	Nov, Beg, Int (1:30) Adv (1:48)
MEN'S SOLO	Official music	Nov, Beg, Int (1:30) Adv (1:48)
DUET	Official music	Nov, Beg (1:30) Adv (1:48)
2-BATON	Official music	Nov, Beg, Int, Adv (1:30)
3-BATON	Official music	Nov, Beg, Adv (1:30)

### **UNSANCTIONED EVENTS**

MODELING	Open Formation	
SHOWTWIRL	Own Music	(2:30 max.! Overtime penalty of 2 points!)

### **CRITIQUE ONLY EVENTS**

FREESTYLE, FREESTYLE PAIRS	Own Music	Evaluation Only – no awards given
COLLEGIATE EVENT	Own Music	Evaluation Only – no awards given

### **STANDARD AGE DIVISIONS**

Primary 0-9, Juvenile 10-13, Junior 14-17, Senior 18-21, Adult 22+

DUET, ARTISTIC PAIRS, (combined ages) Pri. 0-18, Juv. 19-26, Jr. 27-34, Sr. 35+

### **TEAM AGE DIVISIONS\_ (average ages)**

Tiny Tot - all members MUST be age 7 or younger; Primary - average age of 9.99 or younger; Juvenile - average age of 10-13.99; Junior - average age of 14-17.99; Senior - average age of 18.0 or older

(THE CONTEST DIRECTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE AGE GROUPS AS NECESSARY.)

NOVICE – A contestant who has won less than three (3) competitive first place awards in that event. When the third first place award is won, the contestant may no longer enter Novice in that event.

BEGINNER – A contestant who has won less than five (5) competitive first place awards in that event. When the fifth first place award is won, the contestant may no longer enter Beginner in that event.

INTERMEDIATE – A contestant who has won less than ten (10) competitive first place awards in that event. When the tenth first place award is won, the contestant may no longer enter Intermediate in that event.

ADVANCED – A contestant who has won ten (10) or more competitive first place awards in a particular event.