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Tennessee Hall of Fame & Ozone Gymnast of the Year

The hallmark of every professional organization is the recognition of the contributions of the best of its members. Members to be inducted into the 2025 HOF Class are:

Boo Ellis	GymTek
Mike Tataru	Tataru's Gymnastics
Lisa Garner	TN Gymnastics
Kyndall Gilbert	LIS
Savanah Newsome	LIS
Connie Hsu	LIS
Soraya Hawthorne	GymStars

In cooperation with Ozone Leotards TN Gymnastics will again be presenting the Ozone Gymnast of the Year award at the Optional State meet to the L10 Senior Athlete in the State that best represents what it means to be a TN Gymnast. Previous winners include:

2013 Ashleigh Edlin	CEGC
2014 Jasmine Arnold	EEG
2015 Macy Roberts	GCC
2016 Hailey Garner	GymStars
2017 Gabby Welch	CEGC
2018 Hannah McCrary	LIS
2019 Soraya Hawthorne	GymStars
2020 Connie Hsu	LIS
2021 MacKenzie Wilson	PAK
2022 Brooke Simpson	PAK
2022 Mary McDonough	LIS
2023 Savannah Newsome	LIS
2024 Olivia Ahern	Believe

Tennessee Website

Please continue to check www.tnusag.org on a regular basis for important information on the happenings in the State. All important dates as well as Invitationals, and State / Regional championships

Meet Directors

Tennessee Meet Directors are reminded to follow the guidelines listed below after each sanctioned event.

- 1.** Sanction Report Form – The form must be completed and signed by the meet director and have an accurate count of the number of competitors.
- 2.** Meet Results – Please forward a complete. .ptf or .csv file to Larry@TnUSAG.com following completion of your event.

State High Performance Clinic

TN Gymnastics will be hosting the annual Optional High-Performance Clinic at CEGC's new facility located at 2625 Madison St. Clarksville, Tn 37043 on 11-12 October, 2025. Details and schedules to follow!

Optional State Meet Information

The Optional State Championships (Levels XG-XD & L6-L10) will be held on March 21 – 23, 2025, at the APSU Dunn Center in Clarksville, TN. Entry Fee will remain \$140.00, Team Entry \$60.

FREE ADMISSION

Compulsory State Championships Information

The Compulsory State Championships (Levels XB&XS & L2-L5) will be held on March 28 – 30, 2025, at the APSU Dunn Center in Clarksville, TN. Entry Fee will remain \$140.00, Team Entry \$60.00.

FREE ADMISSION

General Rules for the 2024-2026

Meet Directors

- To add a sanctioned event to the State Calander please email Larry@TnUSAG.com and Taylor@TnUSAG.com
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- Tn does not charge meet directors any fees whatsoever (Head tax / Competition fees etc....)
- It is the meet directors responsibility to forward scores in the form of a .csv or .ptf to Larry@TNUsg.com at the conclusion of your event.
- At a minimum, Tennessee meet directors must give Levels 1- 2 & XB event placement awards of 50% (rounded up) and all-around awards of 100%.
- Level 3 & 4 event and all-around awards must, at a minimum, follow USAG guidelines for Levels 5 and above.

State Championship Admission Fees

ALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ADMISSION IS FREE

Team Divisions for State Championships

- L1 -10 & all Excel - top 3 scores

State Championship Officials

- Contractor for Officials – NAWGJ
- 2 judge panel will be used for Compulsory & Excel State Meet.
- 4 judge panel will be used for the Optional State Meet

Declaration Dates, Qualification Dates and State Championship Entry Dates

- All Declaration Dates will be 4 weeks prior to State Championships
- All Qualification Dates will be 2 weeks prior to the State Championships
- All State Meet Entry Dates will be 4 weeks prior to the State Championships
- (Meet fees due at this time)
- All requests for late entries must be sent to and approved by the SACC. Requests must include a check for the entry fee plus a \$25.00 per gymnast late fee made out to the TN-SACC.
- All gymnasts that fail to qualify for the State Meet are guaranteed a full refund of the State Championship entry fee.

Out of State Meet Scores

- Are the responsibility of the individual coaches and must be submitted to the SACC at Larry@TnUSAG.com.

- Are due to the SACC 4 weeks prior to the State Championships, with the exception of those meets held within 4 weeks of the State Meet.
- Are charged a \$25 late fee per gymnast if the scores are submitted late.

In Gym Requirements

- First year judges must complete a minimum of 6 hours In - Gym experience for levels 3, 4, and 5, and a minimum of 9 hours for levels 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 to be considered for assignment to Tennessee State Championship Meets.
- All other Judges must complete a minimum of 3 hours of In-Gym experience for levels 3, 4 & 5. and a minimum of 6 hours for levels 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 to be considered for assignment to Tennessee Championship Meets.
- These requirements are to be completed each year.

State Championship Qualification Scores

- Levels 1- 4, Excel - Compete All Around in one TN sanctioned meet
- Level 5 - 28.00 AA
- Level 6, 7 & 8 - 30.00 AA
- Level 9 &10 - 32.00 AA

State Championship Entry Fees

- \$98.00 for Compulsory
- \$98.00 for Excel / Optional
- \$60.00 / Level for Team

State Championship Awards %

- Levels 1, 2 & XB: 100% all events & all around.
- Levels 3-10 & XS - XSA: 50% (rounded up) events and 100% all around.

TN Optional Team of the year

- Team of the year is determined by awarding points based on ranked All Around / IES finishes of Level 6-10 (without regard to age group) assigning points and multiplying by the following factors:
- L6=1.00, L7=1.25, L8=1.50, L9=1.75, L10=2.00 (IES earns $\frac{1}{4}$ of ranked point per event)
- Points are totaled and Teams are ranked in order.

TN Compulsory Team of the year

- Team of the year is determined by awarding points based on ranked All Around finishes of Level 2-5 (without regard to age group) assigning points and multiplying by the following factors:
- L2 = 1.00, L3 = 1.25, L4 = 1.50, L5 = 1.75
- Points are totaled and Teams are ranked in order.

TN Xcel Team of the year

- Team of the year is determined by awarding points based on ranked All Around finishes of Level XB-XD (without regard to age group) assigning points and multiplying by the following factors:
- XB=1.00, XS=1.25, XG=1.50, XP=1.75, XD=2.00
- Points are totaled and Teams are ranked in order.

State Administrative Committee make up and nomination / election procedures

The State Administrative Committee shall consist of:

- a. The State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC) • Casts a vote only in the case of a tie or acclamation.
- b. Ten voting State Administrative Committee members representing their respective Geographic zones.

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATIONS All nominees for state Administrative Committee must be:

1. Professional Members of the Women's Program at least 21 years old and in good standing for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years immediately prior to the nomination. A member in good standing is defined as a person who has complied with all aspects of the program as outlined in the Rules and Policies, including having a current (not expired) USA Gymnastics membership. Special circumstances involving residency criteria for any State or Regional Chairman position can be petitioned to the Regional Administrative Committee (RAC), in consultation with the National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC), if necessary.

2. Prior to being placed on the ballot, all nominees must sign a document that verifies that they have read and understand the duties and responsibilities of the office for which they have been nominated and submit their resumes to the appropriate USA Gymnastics officer. Current elected officers seeking re-election must be compliant with all their duties and responsibilities.

STATE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS (SACM) State Administrative Committee members must be:

1. Women's Program Professional Members in good standing.
2. A minimum of 21 years of age.
3. Active in the state's program.

STATE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER (SACM)

The State Administrative Committee Chair (SACC) shall serve the term length of four (4) years.

1. Elected State Administrative Committee members (SACM) shall serve a term length of two (2) years.

2. Additional members may be appointed by the State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC), the State Administrative Committee (SAC), or both. • Appointed State Administrative Committee members (SACM) shall serve a one year term, which may be renewed at the discretion of the State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC), State Administrative Committee (SAC), or both. • Appointed State Administrative Committee members (SACM) have a voice, but no vote.

3. Elections may be held in the same year as the State Administrative Committee Chairman's (SACC) election, or in the opposite year.

4. Term of office begins prior to September 1st in their election year.

5. Election Procedures – Elections for State Administrative Committee members will be conducted online. Exceptions must be approved by the RACC.

a. The State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC) shall solicit nominations from the state Professional Membership through e-mail provided on their membership, the state newsletters, and websites.

b. A call for nominations must be published and/or posted online for a minimum of two

weeks.

- c. Candidate statements will be posted online.
- d. All nominees who are eligible candidates will be placed on the online ballot. The online ballot MUST have a minimum of two forms of identification per voting member.
- e. Voting must be open for two weeks. Latest update October 27, 2020 15
- f. Election results should be directed to the Regional Administrative Committee Chairman and the National Administrative Committee Chairman. The Regional Administrative Committee Chairman will inform the State Administrative Committee Chairman of the election results.
- g. The winner of the election will be the candidate who receives the most votes. If there is a tie, the State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC) will break the tie. If only one nomination for a position is received, the State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC) will cast one vote and the nominee will win by acclamation.
- h. The State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC) will send copy of the verified vote count to candidates in each respective election, upon request of the candidate. A copy of this information shall also be sent to the Regional Administrative Committee Chair.

The Tn State Administrative Committee is comprised of the non-voting State Administrative Committee Chair and ten voting Zone Representatives, (2 from each of the 5 geographical zones that make up the state.)

- The Zones are as follows:
 - Zone 1 Greater Memphis area
 - Zone 2 & 3 Greater Nashville area
 - Zone 4 Greater Knoxville area
 - Zone 5 Greater Chattanooga area
- Zone Representatives serve for a two-year term. Elections are held on EVEN numbered years with nominations called for on May 1st - May 15th and voting conducted from June 1st - June 15th.
- The SACC serves a 4-year term. Elections are held on ODD numbered years with nominations called for in JUNE and Voting conducted from May 1st - May 15th and voting conducted from June 1st - June 15th.