

Dear Western Pennsylvania Coaches,

It's time to celebrate!!! Please accept our invitation to the annual 2021 Steel City Invitational. As we contemplated the coming competitive season, Lainy, Katie, and I put our heads together to provide a fun, safe, exciting experience for you and your gymnasts.

With the uncertainty of where things will be in three months, we are giving cash prizes for team awards rather than trophies or banners. The cash prizes for team awards can be used as a donation to a charity or to honor that special hero! You can also choose to use the cash to celebrate back at your gym. The sky is the limit!!!

Help us make our theme of Celebrating our Superheroes meaningful by choosing your own special hero. Go for the Gold!!! You can have a hero for each Level team or pick one for your entire team. You get to decide on your own Superheroes!!! You can recognize Coaches, Parents, Teachers, former gymnasts, Health Care Professionals, Covid Survivors and so on. ... Heaven knows, these days, heroes are everywhere! It's up to you.

We thought this is a good time to be grateful for all we have and for us to celebrate together.

PS If you'd like you can use this opportunity to raise money for your own gym. Go for it!

NOW, REGARDING COVID! Since March we all have been adjusting to the Covid-19 guidelines and the state mandate for our businesses. As of the latest CDC guidelines we are running the meet with the best practices to keep the kids and coaches as safe as possible. In addition to hands sanitizing, social distancing, and masks, we hope to limit contact with large indoor gatherings by planning to run small sessions of 28-32 gymnasts upstairs and down simultaneously. Our goal is to keep the judges, coaches, kids and parents as safe as possible by choosing a format that will only last two or three hours.

These are the guidelines for the Steel City to limit exposure to the Covid-19 virus in the gym.

- Everyone who enters must have a mask while they are in the gym. (Gymnasts may remove their mask when competing.)
- We will take temperatures and have a sanitizer available in the lobby.
- Gymnasts and guests bring their own water bottles. Our fountains can fill water bottles.
- Gymnasts will bring their grips, chalk in a plastic container and grips in a bag where they will put their warm-ups, shoes, socks, etc. No locker room will be available.
- We will not sell tickets at the door. Each registered gymnast will get two passes with their registration. We will send them to you to hand out. We will also give you a link to watch the meet so if a family wants to watch from home, from a mobile device, or send it to friends and family they will get to watch the meet as well.

We are excited to host your team in the new year and to make this a memorable experience for everyone. More details will follow as the meet comes together.

The Jewart Family,
Lainy, Katie and Elaine

