

**1st Annual
“The Takeover” Step Show
February 20, 2010**

Dear Step Master or Advisors:

Your step team has been selected to participate in the 1st Annual step show “The Takeover”. This phenomenal event will take place on Saturday, February 20, 2010 at Lakewood High School Gymnasium in Sumter, South Carolina. We are requesting all participating teams to try and focus there show or a step around the theme **“Story Telling”**. **The theme will not be mandatory, but will help your overall score. Each participating team that performs their show around the theme will receive 5 extra bonus points. *Your show should tell a story.***

We are currently looking for 10 participating teams therefore slots will be held on a first come, first served bases. The 1st through 3rd place winners will receive a trophy along with a cash donation, and each additional team will receive a participation award. (1st place \$250 and 2nd place \$100, 3rd place \$50). A \$30 registration fee is required for this event. The top two teams will advance to the Grand Finale show to be held May 8, 2010 at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center.

Once your organization returns the required paperwork, your advisor will receive a confirmation call from a representative of Dream Helpers within 5 to 7 business days pertaining to; directions, itinerary, arrival time and any other pertinent information. If you should have any detail questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Dream Helpers at (803) 586-4401 or (803) 917-5843 (Please leave your name, school, number and a detailed message) if your unable to reach anyone.

All participating teams are required to arrive no later than 5:30 p.m. day of the event for a walk through of their performance. Each team will have a total of 7 minutes for rehearsal and 10 minutes to change. If by chance your team is unable to make the designated time then you’ll forgo your walk through time. The stepping portion of the show will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. and doors will open for all spectators at 6:15 p.m. The show will last roughly around 2.5 hours. *Deadline for Entry Fee and application must be received 2 weeks prior to the designated event date. **The step show must have a minimal of 4 competing teams, if the show has less then 4 competing teams then each team would receive there entry fee and compete only for the trophies.***

Judging Criteria

Please be advised, if you should have any problems pertaining to judging before or during or after the show, please discuss those issues ONLY with a representative from Dream Helpers.

1. Each team is responsible for providing their own music, props and other necessities needed for performance.
2. Each team has **ONLY 10** minutes allocated for their routine. Any time taken hereafter will result in 2-point deduction for each minute over.
3. The clock starts when the music starts or when you perform your first step.
4. Any vulgarity gestures will result in automatic disqualification from the show (humping, raunchy dancing etc). Judgments made strictly by judges.
5. Criteria:
 - Creativity
 - Introduction
 - Complexity
 - Synchronization
 - Transition
 - Originality
 - Enthusiasm
 - Exit
 - Theme (bonus)



There will be a total of 80 points, 10 will be the max score for each category with 5 additional points awarded for following the theme.

