

Greetings, Club Directors,

Drilling and Marching is probably my favorite part of the Pathfinder Fair!

This year, the competition will be in the UCA gym, on a smooth, hard floor instead of grass. We might dim the lights and use spotlights, so drill masters might want to be prepared with a headlamp for their notes, just in case.

As in past years, there are three categories:

- Basic
- Advanced
- Freestyle

Clubs are free to enter any or all of the categories, and a club may enter more than one team in a given category, too.

Clubs will not be required to register drill teams until Friday at the fair. Of course, advanced preparation is essential to a quality performance, especially in the Advanced and Freestyle categories.

I encourage your drill master to read the UCC Drill Team Competition document in detail. Everything you need to know about the requirements is in there, including the size of the field to plan for.

I created a couple of YouTube videos to help out too. One is [tips for Drill Masters](#). The other is to [show your Pathfinders](#), if you think it might be helpful.

Please share my contact info with your drill master. I'm happy to answer questions, share tips, advice, etc. A strong performance does a lot to inspire young Pathfinders to feel more confident in themselves.

See you at the fair in May!

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