

DANCE MARATHON'S NEXT TOP MODEL 2010 CONTESTANT PACKET

USF Dance Marathon is the largest, student-run philanthropy event happening on college campuses around the country. Students come together to raise money for Children's Miracle Network hospitals. USF DM raises money specifically for All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg.

General Rules

- The competition is open to all USF students.
- Each contestant must be sponsored by a USF student organization or a Dance Marathon team. Each organization/team can only sponsor one contestant (either male or female).
- Contestants must turn in their application to the folder in the Center for Leadership and Civic Engagement office (on the first floor of the Marshall Student Center, in the Student Life tower) by **Friday, October 16th at 5pm.**
- Contestants must turn in their registration fee of \$25 at the contestant meeting. Registration fee must be paid in the form of a check made payable to All Children's Hospital.
- Contestant or a representative from the sponsoring organization must attend the contestant meeting on Tuesday, October 20th at 9pm in MSC 1306.
- More information and details about each element of the competition will be given at the contestant meeting.
- Each contestant must participate in all competitions and fittings to be eligible for the finale runway competition, and the prizes.
- There will be one male overall winner and one female overall winner.
- Contestants will receive points for each competition. The percentage breakdown for the competitions is:
 - Toy Drive (20%)
 - Loose Change Drive (20%)
 - Photoshoot (20%)
 - Catwalk for Miracles Promotion Contest (15%)
 - Runway Competition (25%)

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Required Events

Contestant Meeting

- **When:** Tuesday, October 20th at 9pm
- **Where:** MSC 1306
- **What:**
 - Contestants, or a representative from the sponsoring organization/team, **MUST** attend this mandatory meeting.
 - It is only necessary to have one representative of the sponsoring organization or the DMNTM at the meeting, however; it would be beneficial to have both if possible.
 - Contestants will meet their coaches and receive all the necessary competition information at this meeting.
 - Contestants must bring their registration fee to this meeting. This is the only time to turn it in.

DMNTM Toy Drive

- **When:** due by Thursday, October 29th at 6pm
- **Where:** The DMNTM bin in the CLCE Office
- **What:**
 - At the contestant meeting each contestant will be given a list of toys that are needed for the patients at All Children's Hospital.
 - Contestant and sponsoring organization can collect items in any way they see fit, as long as you represent Dance Marathon, All Children's Hospital, Children's Miracle Network, and USF in a positive, appropriate, and legal manner.

Photo Shoot

- **When:** November 1st – November 15th (various time slots available)
- **What:**
 - Each contestant will participate in an USF-spirited photo shoot.
 - Photos will be used for promotional uses for the Catwalk for Miracles Charity Fashion Show. The winning photos will be used for promotional posters for the event.

Loose Change Drive

- **When:** Monday, January 11th – Wednesday, January 13th
- **Time:** Money is due by 2pm to the contestant's coach.
- **What:**
 - Each contestant or members of sponsoring organization will collect loose change around campus anytime during these three days.
 - Money can be in the form of change, dollar bills in any amount, and checks made out to All Children's Hospital.
 - Contestant and sponsoring organization can collect money in any way, as long as you represent Dance Marathon, All Children's Hospital, Children's Miracle Network, and USF in a positive, appropriate, and legal manner.

Catwalk for Miracles Charity Fashion Show

- **When:** Wednesday, January 13th
- **Time:** Contestants must be there at 5:30pm. Doors open at 6:30pm, and the event starts at 7pm.
- **Where:** MSC Ballroom
- **What:**
 - Promotional Contest:
 - Each contestant will be given unique flyers to pass out the week of the fashion show.
 - Audience members can turn in their flyers at the door. The contestant with the most flyers turned in, wins.
 - Runway Contest:
 - Contestants will participate in the fashion show as models. They will be modeling USF Bulls merchandise provided by the USF Barnes and Noble Bookstore.
 - Contestants will be judged on their appearance on the runway.
 - The winners of DMNTM will be announced in the runway finale.
 - Contestants must attend a fitting in December, and a show rehearsal. More information will be given about this at the contestant meeting.

DMNTM Contestant Application

Please turn this in by Friday, October 16th at 5pm to the CLCE Office. DO NOT include your registration money with you application. That will only be collected at the contestant meeting.

Contestant Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____ **T-Shirt Size:** _____

Name of Sponsoring Organization: _____

Organization Contact's Name: _____

Email Address: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

By signing this I hereby confirm that I am a representative of the organization or Dance Marathon Team stated above, and that we are in fact sponsoring this contestant as a contestant for Dance Marathon's Next Top Model.

Organization Representative Signature

Date