**DANCE SPORT COMPETITION GUIDELINES**

* Each team shall consist of **one (1) pair,** with each pair representing a department.
* Each pair must perform a **maximum of three (3) minutes** for their individual routine and group performance showdown shall also have a maximum time limit of **three (3) minutes.**
* The following Latin dance styles must be showcased: **Rumba,** **Cha-Cha,** and **Jive.**
* Music for both individual performances and the group performance showdown will be provided by the event management ***(No external music submissions will be accepted).***
* Participants are required to **wear appropriate dance sport costumes.** Costumes should reflect the theme and style of the given dances while adhering to decency standards and avoid being overly revealing (e.g., no plunging necklines, excessively low backs, or outfits exposing too much of the body). Props are allowed but must be minimal and used meaningfully within the performance.
* The competition will begin with the individual pair performances, followed by the group performance showdown.
* The decision of the board of judges is final and irrevocable. Participants and teams are expected to respect and uphold the integrity of the judging process.

**REMINDER:** Any failure to comply with these guidelines may result in disqualification or a reduction in scores.

**CRITERIA FOR JUDGING**

* **Technical Skills.….……………………….……………………….……… 40%**

***(****Includes precision, timing, and execution of movements****)***

* **Choreography…………………………………………………………….. 30%**

***(****Creativity, complexity, and overall composition of the routine)*

* **Expression and Connection….……………………….………………….. 20%**

***(****Partner chemistry, emotion, and engagement with the audience)*

* **Costume and Presentation………………………………………………. 10%**

***(****Appropriateness and visual impact of the attire and overall stage presence)*

**TOTAL SCORE:****100%**