



**UCF Homecoming Rules Packet
2016**

Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Fellow Knights,

On behalf of the 2016 Homecoming Executive Board, I would like to thank you for your interest in participating in arguably the best week of the year at UCF and a tradition that has won national recognition. We are excited for this year's Homecoming theme, "Celebrate the Knight." The inspiration behind this theme is to use our week of events to celebrate our diverse Knight community and all of UCF's accomplishments.

Homecoming at UCF is a remarkable experience and a chance to unite our community of 63,000 strong. Whether you are an RSO looking to bring home the gold, or a group of Knights wanting to get involved and celebrate our exceptional University, UCF Homecoming welcomes and encourages everyone to partake in our week of events:

September 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, and 30th: Concert & Comedy Ticket Distribution

October 9th: Kidz Carnival

October 10th: Comedy Knight

October 11th: Coin Wars and Movie Knight

October 12th: Knights Got Talent

October 13th: Concert Knight

October 14th: Spirit Splash and Fireworks

October 15th: Homecoming Game vs. Temple Owls and Royalty Crowning

Volunteer opportunities will be available for all events, and we encourage you to get involved in making this year's Homecoming the greatest one yet. Make sure you check out the Homecoming website at www.ucfhc.com for more details, updates, and photos from all of the week's events. I encourage all UCF Alumni to check out www.ucfalumni.com for more information regarding Alumni events. For any Homecoming related questions, please feel free to contact me at ucfhc@ucf.edu.

No matter what you're involved in, or whether you are an individual student, Alumni, or RSO member, UCF Homecoming offers something for everyone and a chance for us all to come together as one. On behalf of the 2016 UCF Homecoming Executive Board, welcome to the greatest week of the year and the best Homecoming experience UCF has ever seen!

Go Knights!

Daniel Kleiman
Executive Director
UCF Homecoming 2016

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Schedule of Events

September 26th – 30th

Ticket Distribution

Please Check ucfhc.com – Times & Location vary by date

Thursday, October 6

Aluminum Can Collection

12:00PM – 4:00PM

Lake Claire

Sunday, October 9

Knighthro's Kidz Carnival

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Lake Claire

Monday, October 10

Comedy Knight

9:00 PM

CFE Arena

Tuesday, October 11

Coin Wars

11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Student Union Patio

Movie Knight

8:00 PM

CFE Arena

Wednesday, October 12

Knights Got Talent

8:00 PM

CFE Arena

Thursday, October 13

Rosen Coin Wars

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Rosen College Front Gates

Concert Knight

8:00 PM

CFE Arena

Friday, October 14

Spirit Splash

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Reflection Pond

Fireworks

9:30 PM

Memory Mall

Saturday, October 15

Homecoming Football Game

TBA

Brighthouse Networks Stadium

King & Queen Crowning

Half Time

Brighthouse Networks Stadium

Wednesday, October 19

Homecoming Awards Banquet (Invite Only)

6:00 PM

Student Union Atrium

Times reflect show start. Doors will open one hour prior

Please Note: All times and locations are subject to change.

Check ucfhc.com or [Facebook.com/UCFHC](https://www.facebook.com/UCFHC) for updates.

Important Dates

Monday, August 22

Homecoming Court Applications Available 8:00 AM Knight Connect

Wednesday, August 24

Knights Got Talent Audition Forms Open 12:00PM Knight Connect

Wednesday, August 31

Homecoming Court Applications Due 5:00 PM Knight Connect

Thursday, September 1

First Organizational Team Meeting 7:00 PM The Hub

Friday, September 9

Team Theme Applications Due 5:00 PM Knight Connect

Friday, September 16

Team Roster Submission Due 5:00 PM Knight Connect

Code of Conduct Due 5:00 PM UCFHC Cubicle (Student Union 208)

Thursday, September 22

Knights Got Talent Audition Forms Due 5:00PM Knight Connect

Friday, September 23

Spirit Banner Application Due 5:00 PM Knight Connect

A-Frame Application Due 5:00 PM Knight Connect

Coin Wars Application Due 5:00 PM Knight Connect

Knightro's Kids Carnival Application Due 5:00 PM Knight Connect

Wednesday, September 28

A-Frame Painting 12:00 – 4:00 PM Memory Mall

Friday, September 30

Commercial Due 5:00 PM UCFHC Cubicle (Student Union 208)

Spirit Banner Due 5:00 PM UCFHC Cubicle (Student Union 208)

Thursday, October 6

Second Organizational Team Meeting	7:30 PM	TBD
Knights Helping Knights Pantry Collection	Sign Up For Time (TBD)	Lake Claire
Aluminum Can Collection	12:00PM – 4:00PM	Lake Claire

Saturday, September 24

Knights Got Talent Auditions	TBD	TBD
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Not an RSO and want to participate in the competitions?

HC Board Representative: Brad Kuehler
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GREAT NEWS!! If you want to participate in the Homecoming competitions but are not affiliated with any Registered Student Organizations, you can still compete and win awards!

All you need to do is get a group of your friends together—a minimum of 10 students—and sign up to participate just as any other team would do. You would register by completing the code of conduct form, the team theme application, and submit your team roster as well as attend all organizational team meetings. After that, you may submit applications to any of the competitions you wish to participate in. For example, let's say you only wish to participate only in Coin Wars and A-Frame Painting, all you would have to do is submit the Coin Wars and A-Frame Painting applications before the deadline! You may do this with any and all competitions your team wishes to participate in.

Please note: just as any other team, you will have to abide by all rules set forth by this packet as well as the UCF Golden Rule.

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT OUR COMPETITIONS

SHOWING OFF YOUR UCF PRIDE 😊

Competition Point Breakdown

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The 2016 Homecoming Spirit Cup will be judged on the enthusiasm and support that is displayed by those participating in the UCF Homecoming events. Two Homecoming competition winners will be awarded: one to a large team (1st, 2nd, and 3rd place) and one to a small team (1st, 2nd, and 3rd place).

A large team is defined as a participating team with one hundred twenty five (125) or more members; a small team is defined as a participating team with less than one hundred and twenty five (125) members. Small teams must have a minimum of 10 individuals on their roster. A team participating in Homecoming that is made up of more than one organization cannot have more than four hundred fifty (450) members total. Teams made up of only one organization can have more than four hundred (400) members.

Complete Team Rosters will be due **September 16, 2016 by 5:00 PM via Knight Connect**. Your Team Roster, along with the Code of Conduct, and Team Theme submission will serve as formal intent to participate in the Homecoming 2016 competitions.

Point System:

The following explains how points will be awarded for attendance at UCF Homecoming Events. Additionally, volunteering opportunities for points and specifications on competing for best Spirit Banner will be found on the following page. The page after that will include the point breakdown for every single competition. The point system will be covered once again at the first organizational team meeting. If you have any questions regarding the point system, please do not hesitate to contact me, my email is hcengagement@ucf.edu.

Event Attendance:

Attendance will be taken at two of the Homecoming Events. Knights Got Talent will be an event that attendance is taken. In order for you to find out the other event we will be taking attendance at, you will have to attend the actual event itself. It could be even at Concert Knight! Total possible points available for attendance is 80 Points. ****Please Note: attendance at Kids Carnival is taken for teams with a booth and applies to teams competing at Kids Carnival****

Points will be awarded as follows (based on team rosters sign-ins):

75% + of <u>entire team</u>	= 40 points
50%-74% of <u>entire team</u>	= 30 points
25%-49% of <u>entire team</u>	= 20 points
10%-24% of <u>entire team</u>	= 10 points
0%-9% of <u>entire team</u>	= 0 points

Volunteering Opportunity – Special Projects:

Each team can send five (5) members per event to help to help clean up at designated Homecoming 2016 Events. The events that teams may volunteer at are Movie Knight & Knights Got Talent. Volunteers will help clean up and organize the space after the event. Teams will receive 15 points per event if they have at least 5 volunteers at the event. A maximum of 30 points will be awarded for volunteering at both events. Teams may bring more than five volunteers, however, they will not receive extra points for having more volunteers. Conversely, teams will not receive any points for volunteering if they have 4 or less volunteers present.

Spirit Banner:

Each team that creates a banner in accordance to the theme, team's sub-theme, UCF Spirit and rules can receive up to **30 points**. Banners should be created on a full-sized bed sheet (81" X 96") or on a canvas of the same size of any color. **GLITTER MAY NOT BE USED**. Banners must be submitted dry, neatly folded and **HAVE GROMMETS ON ALL FOUR CORNERS** (grommets are the metal holes on each corner of the banner to properly hold it up).

The banner is due on **Friday, September 30th, 2016 at 5:00 PM in the Homecoming Cubicle** (Located in the Student Union, Office of Student Involvement on the 2nd floor).

NO POINTS WILL BE AWARDED IF SPECIFICATIONS ARE NOT MET

****Please Note:** You must submit a Spirit Banner Application on Knight Connect in order to participate. The Spirit Banner Application is due **Friday, September 23rd at 5:00 PM**.

A-Frame Competition:

- A-Frame Painting will take place at Memory mall on **Wednesday, September 28, from 12:00-4:00 PM**.
- You must paint the A-Frame within the allotted time on that specific day, no exceptions!
- After the 3 hours of painting are finished, all teams **must** stop painting.
- Paint must be waterproof or water-resistant.
- No glitter is allowed, only glitter paint—however it must be waterproof or water-resistant.
- You must provide your own supplies (paint, paint brushes, etc.).
- You must bring your own tarp. If you fail to bring a tarp, you will not be allowed to paint.
- We will provide 1 black A-Frame for you to paint ONE-SIDE.
- A-Frames will be judged by 3, non-student, non-affiliated judges.
- Teams will have a possibility to earn up to 45 points.
- Teams will be judged on (1) Appearance/Neatness, (2) Use of Theme, and (3) Creativity/Originality.
- After the Competition, the decorated A-Frames will be displayed all around campus

****Please Note:** You must submit an A-Frame Application on Knight Connect in order to participate. The A-Frame Application is due **Friday, September 23rd at 5:00 PM**.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ATTENDANCE		40 Possible Points
Representative Attendance	20 Points/Meeting	

PHILANTHROPY- Collections		70 Possible Points
Aluminum Can Collection	50 Points Possible	
Knights Helping Knights Pantry	20 Points Possible	

PHILANTHROPY- Kids Carnival		50 Possible Points
Participation	25 Points	
Volunteer Attendance	10 Points (20 sign-ins)	
1 st Place	15 Points	
2 nd Place	10 Points	
3 rd Place	5 Points	

PHILANTHROPY- Coin Wars		50 Possible Points
Participation	20 Points	
Competition Winner	20 Points	
Best Decoration	10 Points	

MOVIE KNIGHT- Commercial		35 Possible Points
Commercial Submission	10 Points	
Fan Favorite	10 Points	
1 st Place	15 Points	
2 nd Place	10 Points	
3 rd Place	5 Points	

KNIGHTS GOT TALENT		105 Possible Points
Audition	20 Points	
Event Attendance	Up to 40	
1 st Place	20 Points	
2 nd Place	10 Points	
3 rd Place	10 Points	
Fan Favorite	5 Points	

SPIRIT BANNER		30 Possible Points
Appearance/Neatness	10 Points	
Use of Theme	10 Points	
Creativity/Originality	10 Points	

A-Frame		45 Possible Points
Appearance/Neatness	10 Points	
Use of Theme	10 Points	
Creativity/Originality	10 Points	
1 st Place	15 Points	
2 nd Place	10 Points	
3 rd Place	5 Points	

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY		30 Possible Points
Movie Knight	15 Points (5 volunteers)	
Knights Got Talent	15 Points (5 volunteers)	

ATTENDANCE AT HOMECOMING EVENTS		80 Possible Points
Event #1	40 Possible Points	
Event #2	40 Possible Points	

Note: For students of a team who recognize the holiday Yom Kippur have alternative options to earn points during the overlap with Homecoming Week. For more details, please contact the Engagement Director, Brad Kuehler, at hcengagement@ucf.edu

King and Queen

HC Board Representative: Madison Russell
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The UCF King and Queen competition is a standing tradition at UCF open to all upperclassmen and graduate students to showcase the best and the brightest at the University of Central Florida.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Meet all UCF Golden Rule requirements
- Must embody the UCF Creed
- Be of junior standing or above, including graduate students at the beginning of the Fall 2016 semester; a minimum of 60 credit hours constitutes a junior standing
- Have a UCF GPA of at least a 3.00
- Be currently enrolled as a student at the University of Central Florida
- Not be a former UCF Homecoming King, Queen or court member
- Not Currently or formerly Miss/Mr. UCF
- Not currently a member of the Homecoming Executive Board
- Not currently a Graduate Assistant for the Office of Student Involvement (OSI)
- The nominating club/organization/team must have their advisor, president, or coach sign the application to validate the endorsement of the candidate
- Organizations may only nominate one candidate. The advisor/president/coach must also submit a letter of good standing to be turned in with the application
- Must be a Registered Student Organization, club, or sports team at the University of Central Florida
- Co-ed organizations may nominate **one** King and **one** Queen; single gender organizations may nominate either a King or Queen depending on the gender of the organization.

Important Dates:

- Court applications will be available on **Monday, August 22** via Knight Connect.
- Completed applications are due by **Wednesday, August 31 at 5:00 PM.**
- Interviews will be held on Saturday, September 10.
- All applicants will be notified whether or not they have been selected for Homecoming Court on **Monday, September 12th by 5:00 PM.**
- A mandatory meeting will be held the week of **Monday, September 12 to Friday, September 16** pending the individual schedules of the court members.
- Voting will begin **Monday, October 10 at 8:00 AM** and conclude **Thursday, October 13 at 4:00 PM** through MyUCF.

Selection Process for Homecoming King and Queen 2016:

- Applications will be based on three factors
 - Application 20%
 - Interview: 30%
 - Student Body Vote: 50%
- All applicants are not guaranteed an interview. The 2016 UCF Homecoming Executive Board will select those to be interviewed by confidential ballot. All applications will remain anonymous to ensure equality in judging.
- A separate panel of judges made up of UCF Faculty, Staff and community members will hold the interviews.
- The King Candidate and Queen Candidate with the highest percentage after the application and interview process will be on the 2016 Homecoming Court.
- The student body will cast their vote until **Thursday, October 13 at 4:00 PM**
- After voting has been closed, the student body vote will then be combined with the percentages from the applicant's application and interview.
- The King Candidate and Queen Candidate with the highest percentage will be crowned Homecoming King and Queen.

King and Queen Candidate Responsibilities:

All king and Queen Candidates must be prepared to accept the responsibilities of being a member of the Homecoming Court including, but not limited to:

- Attending all Homecoming events wearing court sashes.
- Attending all King and Queen informational meetings.
- Participating in the creation of court promotional marketing materials.
- Wearing proper clothing during the week of Homecoming, **from 8:00 AM on Sunday, October 9** until the end of the Homecoming Awards Banquet on **Wednesday, October 19**. During that time, no court member under 21 may drink. If a court member is over 21, they are permitted to drink but may not abuse alcohol. No member of the 2016 Homecoming Court is permitted to consume alcohol prior or during a UCF sponsored event. Being found in violation of these rules will result in disqualification from the court.
- Candidates are not allowed to blatantly campaign or solicit votes. For example, printing t-shirts or handing out flyers or other campaign promotional items.
- Candidates are representatives of homecoming and the University Of Central Florida and are encouraged to support all organizations and teams participating in Homecoming 2016. Therefore, **all candidates are prohibited from wearing clothing that supports their team at any 2016 UCF Homecoming function.**
 - Teams will not receive Homecoming points for their member being voted as the 2016 UCF Homecoming King or Queen.

Philanthropy

HC Board Representative: Cherly Lucien

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Each year, several charitable organizations are given aid through philanthropic support from Homecoming. The University of Central Florida is committed to making an enduring positive impact on the Orlando community and Homecoming is only one small portion of a large effort working towards achieving this goal. This year, the Homecoming Executive Board has chosen The Children's Miracle Network and Knights Helping Knights Pantry to benefit from our philanthropic efforts. There are three different philanthropy events that will take place during Homecoming 2016; Aluminum Can Collection and Food Pantry Collection, Knightro's Kidz Carnival, and Coin Wars. They are described in further detail below.

Knights Helping Knights Food Pantry Bag:

This year, Homecoming has partnered with Knights Helping Knights Pantry to give back to our students. In order for teams to earn full points, the teams must have a full bag containing the specific items below (i.e. there are 6 different lists of food, you must bring the amount of items requested per list. So if the protein list says (2) you must bring two items of that list). The items cannot be expired or perishable. Each complete bag will give the team 20 points.

The food breakdown is as follows:

Protein Item (2)

Canned meats:

- Chicken
- Tuna
- Ham

Dish (1)

- Hamburger Helper
- Tuna Helper
- Pasta
- Rice

Sides (2)

- Macaroni & Cheese
- Mashed Potatoes/Gravy
- Cornbread mix
- Pasta Sauce
- Canned Beans
- Soup

Dessert (1)

- Muffin Mix
- Cookie Mix
- Brownie Mix
- Canned Fruits
- Peanut Butter

Breakfast (2)

- Pancake Mix/Syrup
- Bisquik
- Cereal/Cereal Bars
- Oatmeal Grits
- Coffee

Drink (1)

- Hot Chocolate
- Dry Milk
- Kool Aid Mix
- Gatorade Mix
- Juice Boxes

Aluminum Can Collection:

In order to give back to the community, the Homecoming Executive Board will be collecting aluminum cans and the proceeds will go directly to The Children's Miracle Network. The Homecoming Executive Board will collect cans on one day only.

In order for each team to be awarded points, they must read through and abide by the following:

- ALL GROUPS that will be turning in cans **MUST** sign-up for a drop-off time slot. There will be sign-up sheets on **Thursday, September 30 at 7:30 PM**. 20-minute intervals will be allotted and the group representative at the organizational meeting will sign-up their team.
- On collection day, the groups **MUST** show up during their 20 minute time slot. If a team fails to show up within their 20 minute time window, 50 points will be deducted from their score. They will have to wait until the very end of that collection date to turn in their cans. Groups will be assisted on a first come first serve basis at that time.
- If a group cannot show up during the time they have signed-up for, they will have to send a formal e-mail at least 24-hours in advance to hophilanthropy@ucf.edu in order to change time slots and prevent point loss.
- Crushed cans **CANNOT** be turned in. This is per request of the company that collects and crushes the cans.
- The aluminum drink cans must be clean, dry, and free of excess trash.
- All cans turned in will **HAVE** to be in **CLEAR PLASTIC TRASH BAGS**. If a group brings in cans in anything else, they will have to transfer all of their cans into proper bags.
- **NO** clear plastic bags will be supplied for those who have improper bags.
- Each team is responsible for collecting only aluminum drink cans; no tin or steel will be accepted. If there is any doubt that the can is aluminum, look for the recycle logo on the can or try to indent the can with your thumb.
- A maximum of **50 points** will be awarded to each team for participating in the collection
- For the first 20 pounds each organization will receive 25 points after that they will receive an additional point (1) for each pound until they reach the maximum of 50 points. (A total of 45 pounds will give you the maximum 50 points).
- The points awarded for collection of aluminum cans will go towards the overall winner award and trophies will be awarded at the UCFH Awards Banquet.
- Priority seating for Knights Got Talent will be given to the team that collects the most cans, as determined by weight and wins 1st place carnival booth.

The cans and food pantry items will be collected at Lake Claire Recreational Area Parking Lot on the following date and times: Thursday, October 6, 2016 from 12:00PM - 4:00 PM

There will be no collection during the week of Homecoming. All collections will be completed before the 2016 Homecoming Week.

Philanthropy Day: Knightro's Kidz Carnival:

On Campus Service Day is the kick-off event for Homecoming 2016. Homecoming will be partnering with Knight-Thon to host a kid friendly carnival at Lake Claire by Greek Drive on main campus on October 9 at 11:00 AM. Children from the Boys and Girls Club of Central Florida and local YMCA and elementary schools will be in attendance and teams will be asked to host a booth during the carnival. Each booth should have an activity for the kids to participate in.

In order for each team to be awarded points, they must read through and abide by the following:

- 25 points will be awarded to a team for participating in service day.
- A table will be provided for each participating organization.
- Additional points will be given to the 1st (15 points), 2nd (10 points), and 3rd (5 points) booth winners.
- Booth winners are determined by the amount of tickets the children participating at the carnival give to the booth. The kids will be given 3 tickets each upon arrival to the carnival. They will choose which booth to give the tickets to, as a matter of preference to which booth they like the most. They may give 3 tickets to 3 different booths, or they may give all their tickets to one booth. The booth that has the most tickets at the end of the carnival will have won the competition.
- **TEAMS MAY NOT REQUEST TICKETS TO PARTICIPATE!** If any team requests tickets from children in order to participate, 80 points will be deducted from your overall score.
- Teams may also earn points by having members of their organization sign in. At the check-in desk for booths, there will be team rosters for team members to sign-in and gain points for their team. A total of 10 points will be awarded for any team that has at least 20 people sign-in.
- Each volunteer is asked to wear either a team shirt, or dress to their booth theme.
- More details regarding this project will be given during Homecoming Organizational Meetings.
- 1st place booth winner receives priority seating for Knights Got Talent.
- 50 points will be deducted from teams that fail to clean up and breakdown their booth.
- If you are bringing a tent for your booth, it must have sand bags or weights to weigh it down

****Please Note: You must submit a Knightro's Kids Carnival Application on Knight Connect in order to participate. The Knightro's Kids Carnival Application is due **Friday, September 23rd at 5:00 PM.****

Coin Wars:

Homecoming Teams will participate in Coin Wars to help raise money for the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals in partnership with Knight-Thon. Fundraising will take place October 11th, 2016, in front of the Student Union from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

In order for each team to be awarded points, they must read through and abide by the following:

- Each participating team will be given a jug and a table.
- At least three representatives from each team involved must be present at their table during the entire allotted collection time.
- During the allotted times, team members will be able to simply drop coins into their own container.
- They may fundraise from any passerby as well.
- Teams will also have the opportunity to put U.S. dollar bills of any value into the jugs of opposing teams to hurt their total amount of money.
- Any silver coin (nickels, dimes, and quarters) count in favor of a team. Any U.S. dollar bill of any value counts against the team. Pennies are neutral and do not count. For example: if team "A" receives 8 quarters, that is a total value of 2 dollars. However, if an opposing team, team "B", adds a 1 dollar bill to team "A's" jug, only 4 quarters (1 dollar), count in favor of team "A". The team that raises the most money using the system described wins.
- At the end of the day, Homecoming and Knight-Thon volunteers will count the amount of coins in each container and subtract the dollar bill amount.
- If a team decorates their collection jug there may not be anything blocking the opening of the jug. All decorations must not be permanent because the jugs are reused.
- Decorations on the collection jugs **must be removed at 3:00 PM** to allow all teams to see the contents of your jug.

Coin War points will be awarded to teams based on three criteria:

1. Every participating team will receive 20 points.
2. The team that collects the most coins will receive 20 points.
3. Teams will be asked to decorate their allotted collection space and their collection jug to their individual homecoming theme and will earn 10 points for the best decoration.

Teams can earn up to 50 points!

****Please Note: You must submit a Coin Wars Application on Knight Connect in order to participate and the application is due **Friday, September 23rd at 5:00 PM.****

Movie Knight Commercial

HC Board Representative: Sari Misek
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Movie Knight is a UCF Homecoming tradition that gives students the opportunity to relax and enjoy a popular movie. We will be incorporating a competitive element along with Movie Knight; creating a UCF commercial.

This is your chance to show all of your UCF spirit and have a little fun with it too!

Rules:

- All participants, actors, directors etc. must be current UCF Students (any individual involved in the production of your commercial must be a UCF student)
- The theme of your commercial should include your team's approved theme, your team's organizations name, UCF spirit, and portray UCF in a positive light
- Commercials may be no longer than **one minute in length. Commercials that are over one minute in length will be disqualified.** *There will be no penalty for commercials under one minute in length.*
- Club/Organizations names aside from your own Club/Organization may not be negatively portrayed, or even mentioned during your commercial.
- Music is permitted in your commercial as long as it is appropriate.
- All finals copies are due by **Tuesday September 27th, 2016 at 5:00 PM** via USB submission to the Homecoming cubicle.
- Commercial submission will be explained at the First Organizational Meeting on September 1st, 2016.
- Each commercial submission will receive 10 points
- Judging criteria includes: appearance, creativity and originality, and use of UCF spirit/theme.
- The winning commercials will be decided by a panel of non-student judges. If the winning commercials come from an organization that is participating in the Homecoming competition, the organization will be awarded points for 1st place (15 points), and 2nd place (10 points), 3rd place (5 points).
- Commercials may be shown prior to the movie beginning, or any point throughout the movie at Movie Knight as well other Homecoming events.
- **The Homecoming Executive Board reserves the right to disqualify and overrule any and all commercials deemed inappropriate. Furthermore, any commercial deemed inappropriate will not be shown at Movie Knight and receive 0 points.**
- A fan favorite will also be chosen based on Facebook likes and 10 points will be given.
- Total of **35 points** are possible

Knights Got Talent

HC Board Representative: Eliana Benevento

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Knights Got Talent (KGT) is the newest addition to the UCF Homecoming line up of events. Students will have the opportunity to showcase their talents to their fellow Knights on the stage at the CFE Arena with the same production quality as UCFHC's Concert Knight. Students selected from auditions will perform during Homecoming week for a chance to win prizes and UCFHC swag. Winners will also have the opportunity to perform at our Fireworks event. Please refer to the official Knights Got Talent Guide on Knight Connect under Homecoming's Document Tab.

Rules and Regulations:

- All participants must be activity and service fee paying UCF students.
- Each performance may not exceed **five minutes**. If exceeded, performers will be penalized.
- The list of performers cannot change post-auditions. Anyone who is selected from auditions is final.
- Performers must bring their own music, props, instruments, etc. for both auditions and the actual performance.
- Props **MUST** be approved by an executive board member of UCFHC. If a prop is added to the act post-auditions, it must be approved by the Knights Got Talent Director by **Tuesday, October 11th, 2016**. The Director has the right to remove any props on the event date.
- Performers must dress in full performance attire for the rehearsal on the day of the event. UCFHC reserves the right to ask you to change if necessary.
- Acts requiring more than 12 feet of ceiling height are not allowed.
- Nudity or references to alcohol, tobacco, or drug use is not allowed.
- Pyrotechnics, open flames, or any other dangerous additions are not allowed.
- Performance order will be determined at random by the UCFHC Executive Board.
- A sound and productions technician will be provided at the actual event.
- Please be mindful of your performance content – remember, Homecoming week is focused on what it means to be a UCF Knight, so please be respectful in your content.

Knights Got Talent Auditions:

- Audition applications will open on Knight Connect on August 24, 2016, and remain open until **September 22, 2016**.
- Auditions will be held TBD.
- Performers must bring their own equipment, props, etc. to auditions. A microphone and speakers will be provided. Props may be added to your performance post-auditions but must be approved by **October 11th, 2016**.
- Those who audition must also bring a list of performers. If a member of your group cannot make the audition, they cannot perform in the actual event if your group is chosen.
- Once the audition sign-up has ended, you will be contacted by the KGT Director with a Doodle to sign up for a time slot during auditions that works best for you. Slots are on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- If you cannot make any of the time slots, contact the KGT Director. UCFHC will try its best to

accommodate your schedule.

- At the completion of auditions, you may be asked for a call-back within the next few days. If you do not receive a call-back, this does NOT mean that you have not been selected to perform.
- All who auditioned will be contacted by **September 28th** with their results.

Day-of Event, Wednesday, October 12, 2016:

- If you or your team are selected to perform for Knights Got Talent, you will be required to attend a performers meeting on (date and time to be announced) and an on-stage rehearsal on the day of the event.
- Rehearsals will start at **1:00pm on the event date**. You must be in full performance attire and have ALL equipment and props.
- We will have a few run-throughs of each performance to check sound, content, appearance, attire, and production.

Judging Criteria:

- Performers will be chosen by the UCFHC Executive Board and representatives from the Office of Social Justice and Advocacy, based on their auditions.
- Those who are chosen to perform in KGT will be judged by a panel of 5 judges chosen by the KGT Director, including one theatre professor, one music professor, and three other individuals from the University, including students and others.
- Participants will be judged on:
 - o Overall Performance
 - o Originality/Creativity
 - o Audience Reaction
 - o Stage Appearance
- Additional points will be added to a participant's overall score if the 2016 UCFHC, Celebrate the Knight, or any form of school spirit is incorporated into their performance.
- Points will be subtracted from a participant's overall score if the time limit is exceeded.

Prizes and Placing for ALL Participants:

- Prizes will be given out for:
 - o 1st
 - o 2nd
 - o 3rd
 - o Fan Favorite (chosen at the event).
- Places will be announced on stage at the completion of the event. Performers are required to stay until the end of the event.

Homecoming Teams:

- If you are a part of a Homecoming team, you have a chance to earn points for your team! Here are your opportunities to earn points (see Competition Point Breakdown section for exact number of points rewarded):
 - o Sign-ins from your team members
 - o Audition and perform with a group talent (e.g., dance performance, a capella group, etc.)
 - o Your elected person(s) within your UCFHC team that auditioned and are chosen to perform

with their personal talent, and represent your team, can earn additional points based on what place your team gets **AMONG** other UCFHC teams

- **ALL** performers – whether in the group or solo representative setting – **MUST** be a part of your UCFHC team. A performer cannot belong to more than one UCFHC team
- Teams will have the opportunity to earn points for auditioning, by performing, or by placing in the event. Teams will also have the opportunity to earn points by attending KGT, regardless of whether their team or a representative is performing in the show.

*** You are NOT required to be a part of a UCFHC team in order to participate in KGT.***

VIOLATION OF ANY RULES MAY RESULT IN POINT DEDUCTION, DISQUALIFICATION FROM KNIGHTS GOT TALENT, OR DISQUALIFICATION FROM HOMECOMING AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE HOMECOMING EXECUTIVE BOARD.

**Knights Got Talent
Deductions**

Sets left in Arena after 30 minutes of Knights Got Talent’s Completion	35 Points
Going Over Time (5 Minutes)	35 Points
Going Off Script	25 Points
Dropping of Microphone	25 Points
Not Using Stairs or Jumping Off Stage	15 Points
Arena Rules Violation (See Knights Got Talent Guidelines)	15 Points
Any Item Falling Off Stage	15 Points
Foul Language (Music or Lines)	15 Points

Spirit Splash

HC Board Representative: Patrick Reeves
hcsplash@ucf.edu

The purpose of UCF's Spirit Splash is to demonstrate school pride, team participation, and black-and-gold spirit. But most importantly, it is also about continuing the great traditions of UCF Homecoming.

Safety

Regulations:

In order to provide a fun and safe experience for students, staff, faculty, and alumni, we have implemented the following safety regulations. We ask that everyone participating must review and abide by the regulations below:

- No "piggy-back" or "shoulder riding"
- No running, jumping, or diving into the Reflection Pond
- No "mushing"
- No throwing of objects (i.e. Frisbees, footballs, water balloons, etc.)
- No inflatable items (other than those provided by the Homecoming Executive Board) are allowed in the Reflection Pond
- No food or drinks are permitted in the Reflection Pond
- **No pets are allowed at this event**
- No books, backpacks, or electronics are allowed in the Reflection Pond

*Please Note: the Homecoming Executive Board is **NOT** responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items. Please leave jewelry, valuables, and other personal items at home.)

Anyone that violates these regulations or engages in any other potentially disruptive, dangerous, or inappropriate behavior may be asked to leave the event at any time. In addition, all students are highly encouraged to wear non-skid water shoes while in the fountain to prevent injury.

Homecoming 2016

Applications

All applications are due via Knight Connect, with the exception of the Code of Conduct and the Knights Got Talent Media Form. We will not accept any other forms by email or in person. Pay close attention to the due dates of each form—due dates are written on the forms themselves in the following pages.

**If you have any questions, please email
hcengagement@ucf.edu**

Team Theme Application

HC Board Representative: Brad Kuehler
hcengagement@ucf.edu

Each competing team is asked to submit their top three choices for a sub-theme that relates to the overall Homecoming theme of “Celebrate the Knight.” The themes will be taken and assigned in the order they are received via Knight Connect. If the top choice of a submitted application has already been assigned, the second or third choice will be assigned. The contact person will be notified as soon as the theme has been approved for each team.

The theme applications will be due
Friday, September 9th at 8:00 AM via Knight Connect

Team Name:

Contact Person:

Cellphone Number:

Email Address:

Theme Choices:

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Code of Conduct

HC Board Representative: Brad Kuehler
hcengagement@ucf.edu

All student teams shall be expected to follow all rules as stated in The Golden Rule—available online at www.goldenrule.sdes.ucf.edu. Any team whose members are deemed by the Homecoming Executive Board to be acting in an unprofessional manner, including but not limited to: disorderly conduct, vandalism, theft, unauthorized entry, verbal or physical threats; will automatically be disqualified from all Homecoming 2016 activities. Additionally, the UCF Homecoming Executive Board may recommend to the Director of the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities that said organization be suspended, which may include disqualification from future campus events (Homecoming 2016, awards ceremonies, Greek Week, etc.) and possible removal of the University’s official recognition.

Any and all issues regarding a team’s eligibility and/or disciplinary actions are ultimately up to the discretion of the 2016 Homecoming Executive Board.

Any teams that receives a disciplinary action will be required to write a letter of apology to the UCF Homecoming Executive Board, Student Government, and the UCF administration. It is the obligation of each team to read this rules packet and voice any questions or concerns you have before the form is due on **September 16th at 5:00 PM**. This form must be turned in with a signature from both the organization’s Homecoming Representative as well as the President of the organization. If your team consists of multiple organizations, all organizations within the team must fill out this form. We encourage the Homecoming Representative(s) to stress the severity of adhering to the Code of Conduct to your team. Please represent your University with dignity and respect.

We, the undersigned have thoroughly read the 2016 UCF Homecoming Rules Packet and agree to adhere to all the Rules and Regulations pertaining to and set forth by the 2016 UCF Homecoming Rules Packet. Furthermore, we also agree to abide by the UCF Golden Rule and understand that any questionable behavior, whether enumerated within this Rules Packet or not, is subject to disciplinary action by and left to the discretion of the 2016 UCF Homecoming Executive Board and the Office of Student Involvement.

Team Name: _____

Organization Name: _____

President’s Name: _____

President’s Signature: _____

Homecoming Representative’s Name: _____

Homecoming Representative’s Signature: _____

Date: _____

Spirit Banner Application

HC Board Representative: Brad Kuehler
hcengagement@ucf.edu

Each team that creates a banner in accordance to the theme, team's sub-theme, UCF Spirit and rules can receive up to **30 points**. Banners should be created on a full-sized bedsheet (81" X 96") or on a canvas of the same size of any color. **GLITTER MAY NOT BE USED**. Banners must be submitted dry, neatly folded and **HAVE GROMMETS ON ALL FOUR CORNERS** (grommets are the metal holes on each corner of the banner to properly hold it up).

The banner is due on **Friday, September 30th, 2016 at 5:00 PM in the Homecoming Cubicle** (In the Student Union, Office of Student Involvement on the 2nd floor).

Spirit Banner applications will be due
Friday, September 23rd at 5:00 PM via Knight
Connect

Submission of this application also requires a sketch of the banner to be included. If the sketch is not approved by the 2016 UCF Homecoming Executive Board for appropriateness, the banner will not be received and your team will not get points.

Team Name:

Contact Person:

Cellphone Number:

Email Address:

By submitting this form you agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Spirit Banner competition as set forth by the 2016 Homecoming Rules Packet.

A-Frame Application

HC Board Representative: Brad Kuehler
hcengagement@ucf.edu

Each team must paint an A-Frame within the allotted 3 hours. The only thing the Homecoming Executive Board will provide will be the one-sided black A-Frame. You are to provide everything else. Please remember, you must bring your own tarp—without it you will not be allowed to paint. **GLITTER MAY NOT BE USED.** Glitter paint may be used, but it must be waterproof or water-resistant—same applies to any other type of paint. For all rules pertaining to A-Frame Painting, please refer to the Competition Point Breakdown section of the 2016 Homecoming Rules Packet.

A-Frame applications will be due
Friday, September 23rd at 5:00 PM via Knight
Connect

Submission of this application also requires a sketch of the A-Frame to be included. If the sketch is not approved by the 2016 UCF Homecoming Executive Board for appropriateness, you will not be allowed to paint an A-Frame and your team will not get points.

Team Name:

Contact Person:

Cellphone Number:

Email Address:

By submitting this form you agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the A-Frame Painting competition as set forth by the 2016 Homecoming Rules Packet.

Coin Wars Application

HC Board Representative: Cherly Lucien
hcphilanthropy@ucf.edu

By submitting this form you agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Coin Wars competition as set forth by the 2016 Homecoming Rules Packet.

Coin Wars applications will be due
Friday, September 23rd at 5:00 PM via Knight
Connect

Team Name:

Contact Person:

Cellphone Number:

Email Address:

Knightro's Kidz Carnival Application

HC Board Representative: Cherly Lucien
hcphilanthropy@ucf.edu

Each team will receive 25 points for hosting a booth at the Knightro's Kidz Carnival. Please list below your top 3 ideas for a carnival both, these will be selected for a first come, first serve basis. The booth idea must also be approved by the Philanthropy Director for appropriateness, and she has the final decision on if your carnival booth idea will be accepted. Please keep in mind that all ideas should be age appropriate as this is a carnival for kids.

Knightro's Kidz Carnival applications will be due
Friday, September 23rd at 5:00 PM via Knight
Connect

Team Name:

Contact Person:

Cellphone Number:

Email Address:

Carnival Booth Ideas with Description:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

By submitting this form you agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Knightro's Kids Carnival competition as set forth by the 2016 Homecoming Rules Packet.

Knights Got Talent Media Form

HC Board Representative: Eliana Benevento
hcskit@ucf.edu

Knights Got Talent Media Form will
be due at KGT Auditions –
Saturday, September 24th

I authorize the UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, and any agents, officers, employees, or students of the University of Central Florida, specifically including by not limited to the UCF Student Government Association, to record and photograph my image and/or voice for use by the University of Central Florida or its assignees for purposes that include, but are not limited to, the creation of training materials and/or scientific research, quality assurance, recruiting and advertising, and education and teaching, at the University of Central Florida's sole discretion. I understand and agree that these audio, video, film and/or print images may be edited, duplicated, distributed, reproduced, broadcast and/or reformatted in any form and manner without payment of fees, forever. I release the University of Central Florida, and any agents, officers, employees, servants or students of the University of Central Florida, from any and all liability relating to the taking, reproduction, and/or use of such photographs, video images, and/or sound recordings. I further acknowledge that my participation in the above is voluntary.

Every person who will be on stage during your team's Knights Got Talent Performance must sign this form. Please have each individual print and sign their name on the lines below and include the date. Prior to stepping on stage this roster will be verified. Anyone who has not signed will not be allowed to perform.

Print Name	Signature	Date