Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Fellow Knights,

Thank you for your interest in participating in the best week of the year at UCF. The Homecoming Executive Board is excited to announce this year’s Homecoming theme, “UCF Recharged.” Our inspiration behind this theme is to “recharge” our spirit and pride for our school, recognize the accomplishments we have made through UCF, celebrate our diverse community of 66,000 students, and feel that rush of adrenaline while we remember what it means to be a Knight.

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 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th: Comedy Knight Ticket Distribution
- October 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th: Concert Knight Ticket Distribution
- October 9th: Comedy Knight
- October 10th: Rosen Coin Wars & Movie Knight
- October 11th: Knights Got Talent
- October 12th: Coin Wars, Rosen Splash into the Spirit Pool Party & Concert Knight
- October 13th: Spirit Splash & Fireworks
- October 14th: Homecoming Game vs. East Carolina Pirates & Royalty Crowning

Volunteer opportunities are 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 2017 UCF Homecoming Executive Board, welcome to the greatest week of the year and the best Homecoming experience UCF has ever seen!

Go Knights and Charge On!

Eliana Benevento
Executive Director
UCF Homecoming 2017
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Schedule of Events

September 25th – 29th
Comedy Knight Ticket Distribution
*Please Check ucfhc.com – Times & Location vary by date*

October 2nd – 6th
Concert Knight Ticket Distribution
*Please Check ucfhc.com – Times & Location vary by date*

Monday, October 9
Comedy Knight ft. Adam DeVine 8:00 PM CFE Arena

Tuesday, October 10
Rosen Coin Wars 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM Rosen College Front Gates
Movie Knight 8:00 PM CFE Arena

Wednesday, October 11
Knights Got Talent 8:00 PM CFE Arena

Thursday, October 12
Coin Wars 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM Student Union Patio
Concert Knight 8:00 PM CFE Arena

Friday, October 13
Spirit Splash 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Reflection Pond
Fireworks Festival 7:00 PM Memory Mall

Saturday, October 14
Homecoming Football Game TBA Spectrum Stadium
King & Queen Crowning Half Time Spectrum Stadium

Wednesday, October 18
Homecoming Awards Ceremony (Invite Only) 6:00 PM Live Oak Ballroom

*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 for updates.
## Important Dates

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Second Organizational Team Meeting 7:30 PM TBD

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Not an RSO and want to participate in the competitions?

HC Board Representative: Skye Dasent
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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!

UCF Homecoming is now introducing the Duck Squad! Join fellow students in competing in the Spirit Cup Competition. To register for the Duck Squad you will have to log onto Knight Connect and fill out the form ‘Duck Squad’. You will not be responsible for submitting any other forms, as this will be taken care of by your Duck Squad Coordinator. Just sign-up and get ready to show off your UCF pride!

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.
Comppetition Point Breakdown

HC Board Representative: Skye Dasent
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The 2017 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 8th, 2017 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 2017 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. In order for you to find out which event we will be taking attendance at, you will have to attend the event. It could even be at Concert Knight! Total possible points available for attendance is 80—almost as much as winning Knights Got Talent! **Please Note: attendance at the Fireworks Festival is taken for teams with a booth and applies to teams competing at the Fireworks Festival**

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

75% + of entire team = 40 points
50%-74% of entire team = 30 points
25%-49% of entire team = 20 points
10%-24% of entire team = 10 points
0%-9% of entire team = 0 points
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 **Monday, October 2nd, 2017 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 22nd at 5:00 PM.**

A-Frame Competition:

- A-Frame Painting will take place at Memory mall on **Thursday, 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 22nd at 5:00 PM.**
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Note: For students of a team who recognize the holiday Sukkot have alternative options to earn points during the overlap with Homecoming Week. For more details, please contact the Engagement Director, Skye Dasent, 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 2017 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
- Due to conflict of interest as a funding source SGA is not an eligible nominating organization.
- 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 14th via Knight Connect.
- Completed applications are due by Thursday, September 7th at 5:00 PM.
- Interviews will be held on Sunday, September 17th.
- All applicants will be notified whether or not they have been selected for Homecoming Court on Monday, September 18th by 5:00 PM.
- A mandatory meeting will be held the week of Monday, September 18 to Friday, September 22nd pending the individual schedules of the court members.
- Voting will begin Monday, October 9th at 8:00 AM and conclude Thursday, October 12th at 4:00 PM through MyUCF.
Selection Process for Homecoming King and Queen 2017:

- The decision for King and Queen will be based on three factors
  - Application 20%
  - Interview: 30%
  - Student Body Vote: 50%
- All applicants are not guaranteed an interview.
- A panel of judges made up of UCF Faculty and staff will score applications to decide those students that will receive an interview and then judge the interviews.
- The King Candidate and Queen Candidate with the highest percentage after the application and interview process will be on the 2017 Homecoming Court.
- The student body will cast their vote until Thursday, October 12 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 decision for King and Queen will be based on three factors:
  - Application 20%
  - Interview: 30%
  - Student Body Vote: 50%
- The King Candidate and Queen Candidate with the highest percentage will be crowned Homecoming King and Queen.

King and Queen Candidate Responsibilities:

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

- Attending ALL Homecoming events on time and in appropriate attire.
- 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 Ceremony on Wednesday, October 18. 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 2017 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 and their supporters are not allowed to blatantly campaign or solicit votes. For example, printing t-shirts, handing out flyers or other campaign promotional items, snapchat filters, business cards, walking around campus asking for votes, etc.
- Candidates are representatives of Homecoming and the University Of Central Florida and are encouraged to support all organizations and teams participating in Homecoming 2017. Therefore, all candidates are prohibited from wearing clothing that supports their team at any 2017 UCF Homecoming function.
  - Teams will not receive Homecoming points for their member being voted as the 2017 UCF Homecoming King or Queen.
- All members of the Homecoming Court will sign a contract confirming that they understand the rules and guidelines.
- A breach of this contract could result in a removal from the 2017 Court based on the discretion of the Royalty Director.
Community Outreach

HC Board Representative: Meghan Harper
hcphilanthropy@ucf.edu

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 to benefit from our philanthropic efforts. There is two philanthropic event that will take place during Homecoming 2017, Coin Wars and the Firework Show. They are described in further detail below.

Firework Show:

UCF Homecoming will be bringing family friendly events and games to the Firework Show in 2017. Our hope is to bring more community members out to the Firework Show by providing different games and activities. This year will be our fourth annual Firework Show at UCF, we will be making it better than ever by providing food trucks, promotional items, games, and an amazing view to the Firework Show. UCF Homecoming will also be providing on-stage entertainment leading up to the big show!

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 the Firework Festival.
- A table will be provided for each participating organization.
- Each booth must provide a “game” such as corn hole, tic-tac-toe, ladderball, Frisbee slam, etc. A booth may also choose to provide an “activity” such as facepainting, sand art, etc.
- 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.
- First, Second, and Third Place teams will receive additional points. First, second, and third place award points will be given out to the teams with the most sign-ins at the event.
- 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.
- 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 Firework Show Promotional Application on Knight Connect in order to participate. The Firework Show Promotional Application is due Friday, September 22nd 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 10th, 2017, at Rosen College and on October 12th, 2017, 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 22nd at 5:00 PM.**
UCF Blood Drive:

Each year UCF Homecoming coordinates many philanthropic events which take place throughout the week of Homecoming. In order to reach out to more members of the UCF community, we will be hosting a Blood Drive the week of **October 9th through the 13th, from 11-2 p.m. at Veteran’s Commemorative Site.** The blood drive is open to all members of the community. We encourage you to reach out to all of your friends, acquaintances, coworkers, and family to donate blood if they wish!

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

- Teams will be awarded points based off of the amount of “sign-ins” at the blood drive.
- UCF Blood Drives staff will keep track of the “sign-ins” throughout the week.
- The “sign-ins” do not have to be members of your team; they may be friends, family, acquaintances, coworkers, etc. **They must sign-in and write down your team name to be counted.**
- 1st Place will receive 15 points
- 2nd Place will receive 10 points
- 3rd Place will receive 5 points
Movie Knight Commercial

HC Board Representative: Eddie Ganzy
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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 Friday, September 30th, 2017 at 5:00 PM via USB submission to the Homecoming cubicle.
- Commercial submission will be explained at the First Organizational Meeting on August 28th, 2017.
- Each commercial submission will receive 10 points
- Judging criteria includes: appearance, creativity and originality, and use of UCF spirit/theme.
- The top three student choice commercials will be decided by a voting poll at the event. 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 board 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: Addy Hudson

hctalent@ucf.edu

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.
- The talent performed at auditions **must** be the talent performed on-stage. The performance cannot change after selection from auditions.
- 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 10th, 2017**. 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 23, 2017 at 12AM, and remain open until **September 12th, 2017 at 5PM**.
- Auditions will be held September 24th. Those selected to audition will be notified on how to sign up for an audition slot.
- 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 **Knights Got Talent Director**.
- 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, your application will be reviewed by the UCFHC Executive Board. If selected to audition, 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 29th with their results.

Day-of Event, Wednesday, October 11, 2017:

- 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 based on their auditions.
- Those who are chosen to perform in KGT will be judged by a panel of 4 judges chosen by the KGT Director, including students and UCF faculty or staff.
- Participants will be judged on:
  - Overall Performance
  - Originality/Creativity
  - Audience Reaction
  - Stage Appearance
- Additional points may be added to a participant’s overall score if the 2017 UCFHC, UCF Recharged, or any form of school spirit is incorporated into their performance, dependent on the judges’ discretion.
- 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:
  - 1st
  - 2nd
  - 3rd
  - 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):
- Sign-ins from your team members
- Audition and perform with a group talent (e.g., dance performance, a capella group, etc.)
- Your elected person(s) within your UCFHC team who 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

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Spirit Splash
HC Board Representative: Kayla McCauley
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 “moshing”
- No throwing of objects (i.e. Frisbees, footballs, water balloons, flip-flops, 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
- No nets, poles, etc. of any kind 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-slip water shoes while in the fountain to prevent injury.
Homecoming 2017
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: Skye Dasent
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 “UCF Recharged.” 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 15th 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: Skye Dasent
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 2017 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 2017, 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 2017 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 8th 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 2017 UCF Homecoming Rules Packet and agree to adhere to all the Rules and Regulations pertaining to and set forth by the 2017 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 2017 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: ________________________________

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Spirit Banner Application

HC Board Representative: Skye Dasent
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 bedsheets (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 **Monday, October 2nd, 2017 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 22nd 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 2017 UCF Homecoming Executive Board for appropriateness, the banner will not be received and your team will not get points.**

Team Name:

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Contact Person:

________________________________________

Cellphone Number:

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Email Address:

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By submitting this form you agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Spirit Banner competition as set forth by the 2017 Homecoming Rules Packet.
A-Frame Application

HC Board Representative: Skye Dasent
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 2017 Homecoming Rules Packet.

A-Frame applications will be due
Friday, September 22nd 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 2017 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:

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Contact Person:

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Cellphone Number:

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Email Address:

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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 2017 Homecoming Rules Packet.
Coin Wars Application

HC Board Representative: Meghan Harper
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 2017 Homecoming Rules Packet.

Coin Wars applications will be due
Friday, September 22nd at 5:00 PM via Knight Connect

Team Name:
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Contact Person:
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Cellphone Number:
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Fireworks Festival Application

HC Board Representative: Meghan
Harper hcphilanthropy@ucf.edu

Each team will receive 25 points for hosting a booth at the Fireworks Festival. Please list below your top 3 ideas for a festival booth, these will be selected for a first come, first serve basis. The booth idea must also be approved by the Community Outreach 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 family-friendly festival.

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

Team Name:

________________________________________________________

Contact Person:

________________________________________________________

Cellphone Number:

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Email Address:

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Festival Booth Ideas with Description:

1. ________________________________________________________
2. ________________________________________________________
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By submitting this form you agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Fireworks Festival competition as set forth by the 2017 Homecoming Rules Packet.
Knights Got Talent
Media Form

HC Board Representative: Addy Hudson
hctalent@ucf.edu
Knights Got Talent Media Form will
be due at KGT Auditions – Tuesday,
September 12th

I authorize the UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, and any agents, officers, employees, or students of the University of Central Florida, specifically including but 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.

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