February 8th - 13th, 2016

Team Competition Packet
Patriot Activities Council

Please return to the Student Involvement office in the HUB, Suite 2300. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Patriot Activities Council at 703-993-2925 or send an email to pac@gmu.edu.
Dear Students,

We are pleased to present to you George Mason University’s Homecoming 2016. Each year, we take pride in creating and programming a variety of fun filled activities celebrating the spirit of George Mason University. Homecoming week begins Monday, February 8th, 2016 and ends on Saturday, February 13th, 2016 with the George Mason’s Men’s Basketball Game against Davidson University.

We invite you to celebrate Homecoming by participating in our 8th annual Team Competition. Throughout the week of Homecoming, there will be different activities for teams to compete. All registered student organizations are invited to participate.

Please use this packet as a reference to ensure these competitions are a success. Also, please make sure everyone on your team is aware of the guidelines and rules set forth in this packet. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at 703-993-2925, pac@gmu.edu, or by stopping by the Student Involvement office located in the HUB, Suite 2300.

The deadline to sign up for participation is Monday, January 25, 2016. All completed forms must be turned into the Student Involvement office located in the HUB, Suite 2300 NO LATER THAN 5:00 pm.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning teams, determined by the amount of points earned in the following increments and will be deposited into the organization’s account:

- Winning team: $350.00
- 2nd place: $250.00
- 3rd Place: $150.00

Thank you for your participation and contributions to making Mason Homecoming 2016 a huge success.

Sincerely,

Patriot Activities Council
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# Points Breakdown

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Homecoming Competition: Rules and Regulation

- Homecoming teams may consist of students who are a part of student organizations.
- Teams must create a Homecoming Team name to be used during the week. Vulgar or discriminating names/terms will not be permitted. The Patriot Activities Council has the right to determine if a team’s name is within the Homecoming guidelines. If your team is a Registered Student Organization, you may use your organization’s name if you so choose.
- Teams must designate a “team captain” to serve as the official liaison to the Patriot Activities Council.
- Each Team Member must be currently enrolled as a Mason student.
- Each George Mason University student may only participate on one team.
- Team point totals will be e-mailed to team captains throughout the week. If you wish to receive your team’s final point breakdown, you may submit a written request to the Homecoming Committee on February 15th, 2016 by 5:00pm.
- Each competing team member must tag Patriot Activities Council on social media to receive “Mason Spirit” points.
- Team rosters must have at least 5 members to compete and no more than 20 people may be on a team.
- Any unsportsmanlike conduct including, but not limited to, visible intoxication, disorderly behavior, or vandalism of any kind during the week of Homecoming will result in immediate disqualification of a team or an individual at the sole discretion of Patriot Activities Council and/or the judge(s) or other officials affiliated with George Mason University.
Banner Competition
Monday, February 8th - Friday, February 13th, 2016

Important Dates:

- Banners must be turned in by **1:00pm on Friday, February 5th** to the Office of Student Involvement in the HUB, Suite 2300.
- All banners will be hung in the Johnson Center Atrium from February 8th-13th, 2016.

Rules and Guidelines:

- Banners must be no larger than a twin size, flat sheet (not fitted)(39in x 75in).
- Profanity or obscenities on the banner will result in disqualification, as determined by Patriot Activities Council. (If you are using the opponent’s logo, please do so in good taste).
- The only mandated design components are:
  1) Name of the organization or team must be clearly seen and spelled out on the banner.
  2) “Homecoming 2016” and “Patriots Brave and Bold” must appear somewhere on the banner at least once.
- The banner must be accompanied by an index card with team name and banner description.
- If your group would like their banner back after Homecoming, please indicate on the index card by writing “WOULD LIKE TO KEEP BANNER”. Banners without a request will be disposed of at the conclusion of Homecoming.
- Banners will be available for pick up in the Office of Student Involvement on **Wednesday, February 17th, 2016**. Please make arrangements to have someone retrieve your banner on this day. If your banner is not retrieved after one week, it will be discarded.

Scoring:

- Judging based upon
  1) Display of school spirit – 30pts
  2) Originality and Design – 30pts
  3) Overall appearance – 40pts
Mason Spirit Challenge!
Monday, February 8th - Friday, February 12th, 2016

Rules and Guidelines:

● To earn two (2) points per day per photo you must post a picture with “Mason Spirit”
● No more than ten (10) group photos may be posted under your organization's name per day
● The only requirement to be considered dressed in “Mason Spirit” is that you are wearing something with the word “Mason” on it or you are wearing green and gold together.
● The photos including but not limited to the following: visible intoxication, disorderly behavior, vandalism of any kind, or discriminating names/terms or objects will not be prohibited.
● Everyone must tag @gmu_pac on Instagram and Twitter and Patriot Activities Council on Facebook
● The organization’s team name must be in the caption
● Points will be calculated into your overall score based on the percentage of team members that participate

Scoring:
Points will be awarded based on the number of photos posted (max 10) that meet the criteria described above to team that participates. Each photo is worth two points for a total of one hundred points that can be earned at the end of the week.

Mason Blood Drive
Tuesday, Feb. 9th, 2016

There will be a blood drive in the Hub Ballroom from 12:00pm-6:00pm. Participating in the blood drive is not mandatory, however, each team can get extra bonus points for participating. Each team can earn a total of 20 points. Each person who gives blood can earn one point for their team.
Mason Food Pantry  
Tuesday, Feb. 9th, 2016

During the Blood Drive there will be a donation space available for the Mason Food Pantry on campus. Each team is encouraged to donate as much as they can to the pantry. If there are too many donations for the Mason Food Pantry we will donate the rest of the items to another charitable organization.

The team with the most donations will be awarded 35 points, second will have 20 points, third will have 15 points and everyone else will receive 10 points for participating.

Here is the list of items needed for donation:

**Non-Perishable Food**

- Cereal cups (small sized to go)
- Rice/Pasta Boxes
- Herbs/Spices
- Applesauce
- Snacks/Granola Bars
- Oatmeal Packets
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Meats/Fish
- Peanut Butter/Jam
- Butter
- Cooking Oil
- Milk Substitutes - Coconut Milk, Soy Milk, etc. (Must be in cartons, no refrigeration needed until opened)

**Toiletries**

- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Hand Soap
- Detergent
- Shaving Cream (Men)
- Women's Hygienic Products
Lip Sync Competition
Friday, February 12th, 2016

Teams will compete to see which group lip-syncs the best to a song or compilation of songs while incorporating dance movements. Points will be awarded for the team competition based on your placing among the other teams.

RULES AND GUIDELINES:
● Groups are responsible for their own props.
● All songs and performances must be in good taste. Rude, lewd, or obscene dance moves will not be permitted. No suggestive acts, props, or attire will be allowed. Stunting is not allowed and all performers must stay safe.
   *Any act deemed inappropriate by the judges and/or committee will not perform.
● Music must be turned in to the Patriot Activities Council by Friday, February 5th, 2016.
● There will be an optional dress rehearsal prior to the performance on Thursday, February 13 at 6:00pm. Please let the Patriot Activities Council know in advance if you plan to attend so all performers who want to rehearse will have a chance.
● Lip-Syncs must be between 2 - 4 minutes in length..

BONUS ROUND:
● A list of songs will be distributed to every team.
● A song will be chosen at random (from the list provided) for your team to lip sync.
● Each team must perform the chosen song to the best of their ability
● If your team wishes not to participate in the bonus round you must indicate so in a letter when the application is submitted

SCORING:
JUDGING BASED UPON
● Lip Syncing Abilities (20 points)
● Originality and Creativity (30 points)
● Appearance, including costumes and props (20 points)
● Crowd response; so bring your friends to cheer you on (20 points)
● Time Restrictions, meaning the group stayed in the required time limit (10 points)
Trivia
Join us for a night of Trivia fun Wednesday starting at 4 Bistro. Rules and regulations will be announced that night. The team with the highest points/number of trivia questions correct will earn 45 points. Second place will earn 20, third 15, and everyone else that participates will receive 10.

Bonus Points

Mason Blood Drive
In order to get bonus points, each team may have a total of 20 participants give blood, each person earning one point max toward their team’s total points.

Lip Sync BONUS ROUND:
Didn’t do so well in Lip Sync? This is your chance to redeem yourself! After the Lip Sync Competition, each team has the opportunity to earn 20 extra points with is bonus round.

- A list of songs will be distributed to every team.
- A song will be chosen at random (from the list provided) for your team to lip sync.
- At any point in time the song will stop and your team is responsible for singing the correct next lyric
- If your team wishes not to participate in the bonus round you must indicate so in a letter when the application is submitted
Official Team Application

The rest of this packet must be turned in to the Patriot Activities Council Office.
All previous pages should be kept for your reference.

To participate in ANY aspect of the team competition each player must be added on the roster sheet. PLEASE be aware that no players will be added to a team roster after this form is submitted. **There will be no substitutions or exceptions.**

All team members must sign the attached roster sheet agreeing to the participation agreement below. Also, **please email a team roster** to pac@gmu.edu by **Friday, January, 29th 2016 by 5:00pm**. Please attach all additional forms to your application as well.

**Participation Agreement**

*By signing, I have read and completely understand the contests of the Homecoming Participation Packet. I understand that I must abide by the Homecoming rules and guidelines for team competitions and must meet all deadlines set by Patriot Activities Council in order to participate. I am fully aware that if I violate the rules and guidelines outlined, my team will automatically be disqualified. I also understand that Patriot Activities Council reserves the right to disqualify any team for misconduct during the week of Homecoming. I also allow the Homecoming committee and Patriot Activities Council to use any photographs and/or videos taken during the performance on their promotional materials and website.*

Team Name: ___________________________________________________________________

Organization Name: (if different than above): _________________________________________

Captain Name: _________________________________________________________________

Captain Signature: ______________________________________________________________

Captain’s Cell Phone Number: ____________________________________________________

Captains Email address: _________________________________________________________

Note: All team members must sign the roster on the following page acknowledging that they are aware of this packet and the information contained within it. Team member names must also be e-mailed to pac@gmu.edu.
# Team Roster

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