



2026 Women's Gasparilla Classic March 6-8, 2026



Dear Coaches,

The 38th Annual Gasparilla Classic is just a few weeks away. Please read the following information regarding the meet.

Schedule: The schedule is posted on our website. You may need to refresh your browser to make sure that you have the most updated schedule.

Rosters: USA Gymnastics competition – your Meet Reservation is your roster. Please make sure to check gymnasts' level, birthdays and names. Remember that level changes do not update if you change your roster on the database. Birthday or name corrections are made through USA Gymnastics. Whatever is on your roster is what will be imported into ProScore. AAU Gymnastics competition can request a roster and we will send it once gymnasts are entered into Pro Score.

Scratches: Please make any scratches as soon as possible so we can balance out squads on the rotation sheets. This will also help expedite the coaches meeting. To scratch a gymnast, cancel their USA Gymnastics Meet Reservation or AAU teams can email lcgymmeets@aol.com. We will send out tentative rotation sheets a few weeks before the competition.

Location: Tampa Convention Center – 333 S Franklin St, Tampa, FL 33602

Parking: Parking is managed by the City of Tampa Parking Department. Please keep in mind, parking rates change when there are events at Benchmark Arena or heavy event activity downtown. These rates for the lots & garages are determined by Parking and rates differ based on activity. There are many lots and garages near the TCC.

Location of Lots and Garages:

<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/12288a4774a9436b91953388b6770ff7>

Rates: <https://www.tampa.gov/parking/info/parking-hourly-and-daily-rates>

Pay by Mobile App: <https://www.tampa.gov/parking/programs/pay-by-phone-parking>

There is also a machine located at the garages to pay. Attendees must pay before leaving the parking garage.

Please note that Disney on Ice has shows at Benchmark International Arena causing additional traffic and changes in parking rates. Make sure to plan accordingly.

3/6 3p-5p & 7p-9p

3/7 11a-1p & 7p-9p

3/8 11a-1p & 3p-5p

Ride Share: There is a rideshare/Uber/Lyft/taxi drop-off spot just beyond the entrance to Front Drive at 333 S. Franklin St., across from Water Street. This is the best location to drop-off persons with disabilities.

Hotels: Host hotels are listed on our website. Book now as cut-off dates are approaching.



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Water Bottles: We recommend bringing a water bottle with you. There are bottle filling stations throughout the facility.

Coach's Check In/Credentials: All USA Gymnastics coaches must be on the Meet Reservation. To help expedite the check-in process, please make sure all USA Gymnastics Coaches are on the Meet Reservation (Check the Meet Reservation. Some coaches may have fallen off if their Safe Sport expired in December). If you need to add a coach, email Janine at lcgymmeets@aol.com. Please cancel any coaches that will not be attending. AAU coaches, please email lcgymmeets@aol.com your coaching list if you did not include it with your entry forms. All coaches will be required to show credentials to enter the competition area. Please make sure to bring your credentials each day.

Coach Hospitality: We will not be able to have a coach hospitality area. There will be concession stands onsite. (There is no bag check, just remember to be discreet.)

Changes: Substitutions (same level) are only allowed at this time. Please email these to lcgymmeets@aol.com. Level changes only if space is available.

There are no refunds at this time for any reason.

Graduating Seniors: We have a few surprises for our Graduating Seniors. If you have gymnasts who will be graduating this year, please email your athletes' name and level. They will receive some goodies at athlete check in.

Awards:

Individual and Team awards will be given after each session. Individual awards will be given 50% + 1 for all sessions. All gymnasts who compete at least one event will receive a custom special 38th Annual All-Around medal. Additionally, the top three All Around Gymnasts will also receive a trophy.

Team Divisions – Women: Small 3-6 gymnasts; Large 7+gymnasts Top 3 scores Count

Team Divisions are final on February 3rd.

Team Trophies- We are giving more Team Trophies than ever this year. Please make sure you pick up your Team Trophies and take them home with you. Team trophies are given after each session. We do not ship Team Trophies that are not picked up. Trophies not picked up will be donated to a local youth sports program.

Contacting Us: The best way to contact us is by email. Please make sure that you include your gym name and gymnast levels if applicable.



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Additional Info:

- There is no open workout available. We recommend calling a club in the Tampa area.
- All equipment is American Athletic (AAI).
- All gyms will use a Modified Capital Cup format.
- Results will be posted on the website www.lightningcity.com. Live scoring will be available on meetscoresonline.com (internet connection permitting).
- If your team competes in different gyms, please make sure you have multiple devices (which are fully charged) with your music as sessions may overlap. Please remember to grab your devices after your session. We are not responsible for lost or missing devices.
- There will not be a trainer on site for taping. Ice will be available by the scoring table in each gym.
- Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 8. Clocks spring forward.

Please make sure to share all the important information with all your coaches and gymnasts' families. Things will run smoothly. Our website will have all the up-to-date information. We are also on Facebook and Instagram. Be sure to tag us in your pictures or use #2026gasparillaclassic.

We look forward to seeing all of you.

Sincerely,

Tim Keckler Janine Olasso
Meet Director Meet Manager
and the Gasparilla Classic Krewe



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The Tampa Bay Sports Commission has created a site for the event with a Visitor's Guide, Maps and Deals and Discounts.

https://www.tampabaysports.org/Explorer/2026/March/Lightning_City_Gymnastics_Gasparilla_Classic



Check our website www.lightningcity.com, Like us on Facebook or follow us on Instagram and Twitter for any announcements. Thank you for joining us for the 2026 Gasparilla Classic. We look forward to seeing you soon!

~The Gasparilla Classic Krewe



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Spectator Admission – Cash Adults \$25 per day Children (5-17) \$20 per day

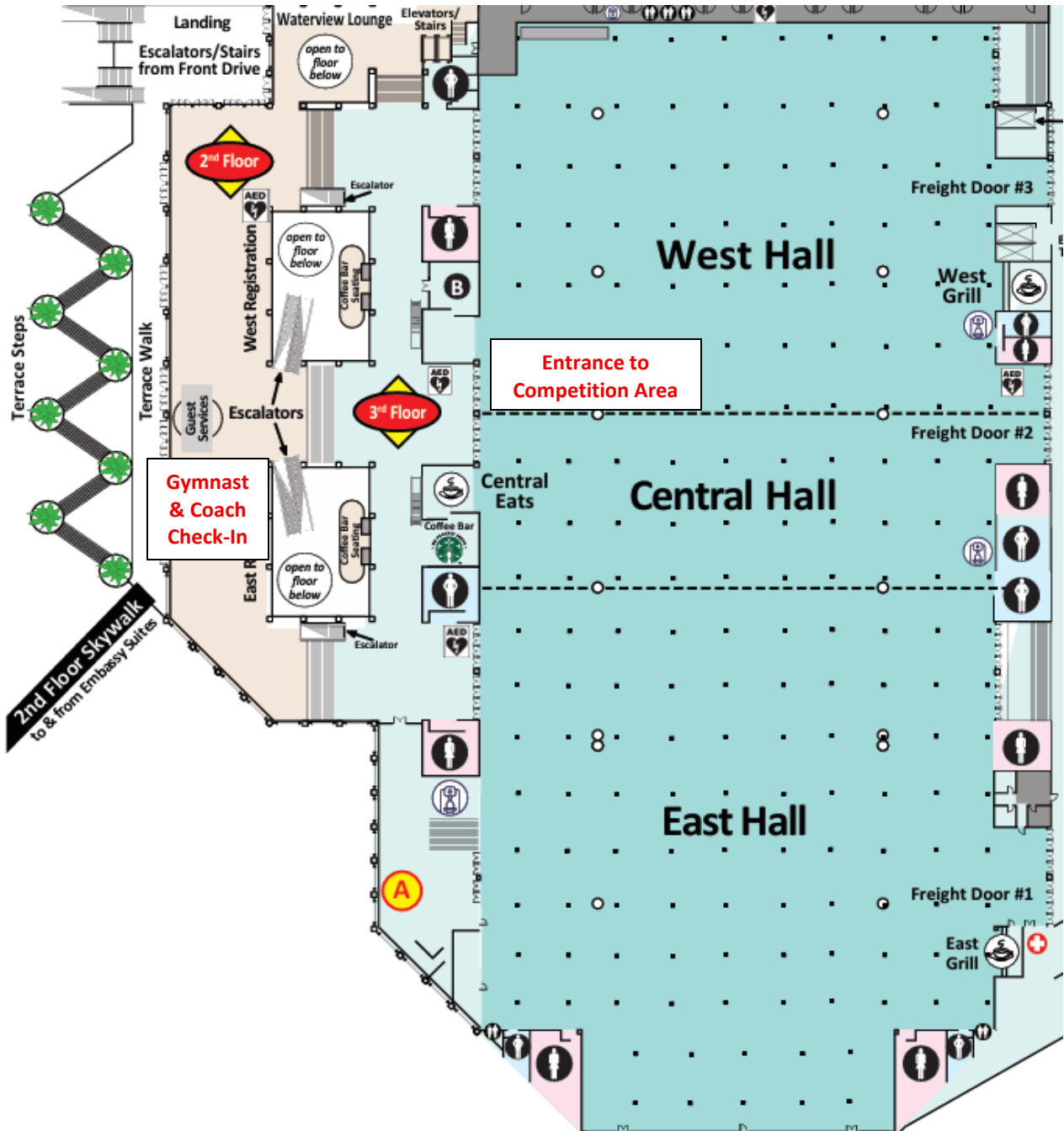
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The Women's Gasparilla competition will take place in the East, Central and West Halls of the Tampa Convention Center. The registration area will be on the 2nd Floor near the Guest Services booth. Entrance into the competition area will be by the West and Central Hall (near the Coffee Bar). Admission tickets will be available for purchase right by the entrance to the competition area.



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