

2024 Gasparilla Classic February 23 - 25, 2024



Parents/Spectators and Gymnasts Information

Welcome to Tampa Bay and the 36th Annual Gasparilla Classic. Here is some information regarding the meet:

Location: Tropicana Field, One Tropicana Drive, St Petersburg, FL 33705.

Doors Open: 7:00am each day. There will be no entry into the stadium until this time. Please plan to arrive one hour before if your session is the first of the day. Plan to arrive 45 minutes before for all other sessions. Door fees are daily. There are no weekend passes.

Door Fees: Adults \$25 per day, Children (5-17yrs) \$20 per day
Once tickets are used they cannot be used to re-enter the stadium. ***For SAME DAY re-entry you will need to get a wrist band from one of our staff members.***

Parking: \$20 per day **CREDIT CARD ONLY**. Lot 6A is the main parking lot.

Food & Drink: Outside food or beverage is not permitted, with the exception of one sealed, personal-sized bottle of water. Exceptions can be made for food specifically needed for medical reasons or if in a diaper bag for infants. Please make sure that you and your gymnasts have water. There are no water fountains in the competition area.

Bag Policy: Athletes and coaches will be allowed to carry bags/backpacks. ALL bags will be checked. Please make sure only essentials are in your bags to expedite the screening process. For spectators, backpacks, coolers and bags of any kind exceeding 16" x 8" are not permitted through Tropicana Field security. Personal bags smaller than this size, medical device bags and diaper bags accompanying a young child are permitted. For more information, visit raysbaseball.com/security.

Upon Arrival:

- Enter at Gate 1 – The Rotunda (main entrance). The competition is in a Major League Baseball Stadium. Major League Baseball rules apply. All bags will be checked. We recommend that spectators bring essential items in a small bag to expedite the screening process. Everyone will go through metal detectors or be wanded similar to airport security.
- Athlete registration will be just inside. Athletes will check in by team name and be given their athlete credential and goody bags. Athletes must show their credential to enter the arena.
- Tickets can be purchased to the left of the athlete registration.
- You will enter the stadium at center field. Look for signs directing you to the correct gym.

Additional Info:

- Please make sure your gymnast is dressed and ready to compete. There are no designated changing areas at Tropicana Field.
- If you have any questions about the competition, please ask your coach prior to arriving in Tampa/St. Petersburg. Your coach (and only your coach) can then email us if they cannot answer your questions.
- Host Hotel Information- All host hotels are listed on our website www.lightningcity.com. Ask for Gasparilla Classic/Lightning City Gymnastics rate. Block cut off is January 25.

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

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- Tampa International Airport is located a convenient 15-20 minutes from the competition site. Clearwater/St. Petersburg airport is 10-15 minutes away.
- Please allow extra time to arrive for your competition, especially during peak traffic hours - Friday between 7:00 am and 9:00 am. Parking is nearby, but allow 45-60 minutes to walk to the arena, go through security, register your gymnast and get to the competitive floor.
- Awards will be held on the baseball field.
- There will be a gymnastics' vendor area selling a variety of gymnastics items.
- Concession stands will be open all weekend. They have a large variety of food and drinks.
- Tropicana Field is not heated, please dress appropriately.
- Official results will be posted on our website www.lightningcity.com. Results will be posted the day of competition. Live scoring will be available on meetscoresonline.com (internet connection permitting).

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 World's Largest Gymnastics Meet, the 2024 Gasparilla Classic. There will be close to 7,000 gymnasts competing this weekend. We hope you enjoy your stay in Tampa Bay!



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