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Team Playbook

2020 Virtual National Season

Ready to Play?

WELCOME

Congratulations on becoming a team for the first ever Catalyst Games Virtual National Season. This multi-event virtual team building competition will challenge your team to earn points in challenges and activities centered around teamwork, community engagement, and fun!

This document will be your source of guidance to assist managing your team and having the best possible experience during the virtual national season!

VIRTUAL NATIONAL SEASON 2020 SCHEDULE

Team Captain Meeting

August 25th | 2:00 PM CT

Volunteer Season

September 8th - September 25th

Virtual Pep Rally

October 1st | 4:00 PM CT

Competition Season - Qualifying Rounds *PRESENTED BY TITO'S HANDMADE VODKA*

October 08th - Round 1 - The Cookie Relay Challenge *SPONSORED BY BENNETT THRASHER, LLP*

October 15th - Round 2 - The Virtual Trivia Challenge *SPONSORED BY TITO'S HANDMADE VODKA*

October 22st - Round 3 - The Virtual Escape Room Challenge *SPONSORED BY BOLD LEGAL, LLC*

Competition Season - National Bracket

October 28th - Top 8 - The Extreme Cookie Challenge

October 29th - Top 4 - The Virtual Escape Room Challenge

October 30th - Top 2 - Mystery Challenge Announced

Championship Final & Awards Party

November 12th | 4:00 PM CT

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COMPETITION SEASON

Welcome to the Competition Season?

During the month of October, teams participate in 3 interactive virtual competitions.. The better a team does in each challenge, the more points they earn. After all 3 virtual competitions are complete, the Top 8 teams with the highest point totals (including bonus points from the Volunteer Season) will move on to a three round, single elimination National Championship bracket. An updated leaderboard will be distributed each week.

The National Championship bracket will include a new relay challenge to help whittle down the competition and identify the Top 4. The second challenge will bring back an even harder virtual escape room as teams battle it out for the Top 2 spots. The Top 2 teams will be tasked with completing a week-long team-building challenge before facing off in a live-streamed National Championship & Award Show.

When are the competition challenges?

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National Bracket

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November 12th - Live-Streamed National Championship & Awards Party

Download the Full Schedule with Your Team's Dates & Times

Download the Rules & Code of Conduct for the Competition Season Challenges

How are points allocated during each Qualifying Round?

The Cookie Relay Challenge and Escape Room Challenge will be timed and the teams with the fastest times earn the most points. The Trivia Challenge will be determined by the teams who correctly answer the most questions. Each competition will award the following point totals:

1st Place - **5 points**

2nd Place - **4 points**

3rd Place - **3 points**

All other participating teams - **2 points**

How many players are eligible to compete in each competition?

While companies are encouraged to recruit and engage as many employees as they like to participate in the Volunteer Season, team-building activities, Pep Rally and Awards Party, companies are limited to recruiting 25 players to compete in the Competition Season. Teams as small as 5 can participate but we recommend at least 10 members.

Teams may utilize any of the 25 players from their official Team Roster to compete in each challenge. Each challenge is limited to a specific number of players:

- The Cookie Relay Challenge - 10 Players (minimum of 5 required)
- The Virtual Trivia Challenge - 8 Players
- The Virtual Escape Room Challenge - 7 Players

Team Captains should use the Team Roster Form to submit the 25 players eligible to compete on behalf of their company. Team Rosters should be submitted by Monday, September 27th.

How do “game days” work - how do players login for a challenge?

Catalyst Games will distribute a weekly newsletter to all teams with instructions for the week's challenge. Joining a challenge will be as simple as clicking a link.

Teams should only send the maximum allotted number of players to “game day” competition.

All events will be hosted via the online cloud-based peer-to-peer video and social platform, ZOOM. All Catalyst Games National Season participants will need a ZOOM account to participate.

Sign up for your free ZOOM account [here](#).

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VIRTUAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP & AWARDS PARTY

What is the National Championship & Awards Party?

The competition is what brought your company together but the fun and opportunities to learn more about one another, giving back, the memories, and a stronger bond is what it's all about. The Awards Party is a fun way to celebrate the season's accomplishments. We encourage all of our companies and their volunteers, players, and employees to join the National Championship live-stream and Awards Party, as our audience will be essential to determining the National Champion between our Top 2 teams, via a live vote!

When is the National Championship & Awards Party?

Thursday, November 12 at 4:00 PM CT

Who Can Attend the National Championship & Awards Party?

The National Championship and Awards Party is open to any employee at any participating company.

What else can teams and players expect at the National Championship and Awards Party?

Tune in early, grab a drink, and dance off your stress away with a DJ live-stream bringing the sounds of Catalyst Games to your home. Catalyst Games & Buffalo Trace will also serve up an official Awards Party cocktail during a live virtual cocktail class!

The National Championship and Awards Party officially kicks off with remarks from our host, Catalyst Games CEO & Executive Director Katrina Tolentino. Other highlights include:

- Catalyst Games Virtual National Season Recap
- Top 2 Teams Compete Live to be crowned National Champions via a live Audience Vote
- Presentation of Funds to Catalyst Games Partner nonprofits
- Presentation of Culture Awards

Do teams and players need to do anything to prepare for the National Championship and Awards Party?

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Catalyst Games National Season Checklist

Be sure you have submitted your [Team Intake Form](#)

- ☐ Aug. 25 Attend Team Captains Meeting on August 25
- ☐ Aug. 31 Set up your companies Point App profile
- ☐ Sep. 04 Share Catalyst Game Virtual National Season with employees
- ☐ Sep. 04 POINT app profiles completed by all participating employees
- ☐ Sep. 08 Volunteer Season Kicks Off
- ☐ Sep. 10 [Attend "Access to Opportunity" Nonprofit Webinar](#)
- ☐ Sep. 15 [Attend Nonprofit Meet & Greet #1](#)
- ☐ Sep. 16 [Attend Nonprofit Meet & Greet #2](#)
- ☐ Sep. 25 Volunteer Season Concludes
- ☐ Sep. 27 [Create & Submit company's' Team Announcement Video](#)
- ☐ Sep. 27 [Submit 25 employees to compete on your Team Roster](#)
- ☐ Oct. 01 [Attend the Virtual Pep Rally](#)
- ☐ Oct. 08 Attend Round 1 - The Cookie Challenge
- ☐ Oct. 15 Attend Round 2 - The Trivia Challenge
- ☐ Oct. 22 Attend Round 3 - Escape Room Challenge
- ☐ Oct. 23 Attend Top 8 Teams Reveal
- ☐ Oct. 28 Top 8 Teams - The Extreme Cookie Challenge
- ☐ Oct. 29 Top 4 Teams - The Escape Room Challenge
- ☐ Oct. 30 Top 2 Teams - Mystery Challenge Reveal - October 30
- ☐ Nov. 12 Attend National Championship & Awards Party

Questions? Need assistance? We're here to help! Don't hesitate to contact our Event Producer, Donald Miller (donald@wearenotley.com) for assistance.