



## **Waikato Regional School Festival Scheduled for Thursday 22 August (Term 3 week 5)**

The top 8 Flyers and Twisters (Novice and Club) from each of the regions School Festivals (ie. Hamilton City, Piako, Te Awamutu, Thames-Coromandel etc.) are invited to compete at the Waikato Regional School Festival as well as the top group performances in all categories and OPEN grades of Competitive athletes.

Open Grades = ALL competitive grades for Artistic Gymnastics, Rhythmic Gymnastics and Trampoline.

We will NOT follow the open junior, junior advanced, senior categories as per handbook and as in previous years.

Instead, competitive athletes will deliver their club routine relevant to their step/level and each step/level will be judged separately.

WAG athletes in Step 1 & 2 will perform Floor, Vault and Beam.

WAG athletes in step 3 + will perform Floor, Vault, Beam and Bar

All MAG athletes will perform Floor, Vault, Parallel Bar and Pommel (excluding Level 1 = no Pommel)

Schools should not practice or coach competitive athletes. These athletes will be mid-way through their competitive season and will be coached at their individual clubs by their designated coaches.

It is recommended that for competitive athletes representing their school that a club coach is present if possible. If a club coach cannot be available, we recommend you only perform elements that do not require spotting or a warm-up spot.

One parent/teacher per school per session must be present. This person is responsible for their school participants during the session/event and taking them around apparatus.

### **Entry Fees (per Gymsport)**

Novice & Competitive Individuals = \$20

Group = \$50

Entry forms for Competitive athletes as well as the top 8 qualifying Flyers and Twisters (+ groups) will be sent to schools on or before Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Entries will close Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

### **Note:**

This festival has been run on 1 day for the past few years but if enrolments increase this year, the festival may need to run over 2 days.