

**Wheaton Park District & Chamber of Commerce
& Glen Ellyn Park District Present:**

U Rock 2010

Wednesday, June 2, 2010 • Memorial Park
Teen Battle of the Bands

Rules & Regs

Performance Criteria:

Bands must consist of at least two members, one of which plays an instrument throughout the majority of the performance. Bands must be unsigned. The entire performance must be live – no prerecorded music is allowed.

Age Requirements:

More than half of the band must be enrolled in high school for the 2009-10 school year. All band members must be between the ages of 12 and 21 as of August 21, 2010.

Application Submission:

Bands must submit the registration form and a demo to Jen at the Wheaton Park District Community Center, 1777 S Blanchard Street, by 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 8. Any mailed entries must be postmarked on or before May 8, 2010. Photos, bios, etc. are welcomed, but not necessary. Materials will not be returned and may be used in event promotions. A panel of individuals with diverse musical backgrounds will review applications and demos to determine performance eligibility. *The bands chosen to perform will be notified of acceptance and designated time slots by May 15, 2010.*

Performance Specifics:

All bands will receive an equal amount of time on stage (30-45 minutes based on the amount of bands accepted). This time includes all set-up, playing and take-down time. Time slots will be assigned randomly with the first time slot beginning at 4:50 p.m. and the final time slot ending by 8:50 p.m. All band members must arrive at the event dressed in clothing free from obscenities, drugs, alcohol, sex or any other subject matter not suitable for a family audience. Band name and lyrics of performance songs must not contain any obscenities. The entire performance must be free of violence and suitable for families. Drugs and alcohol (including tobacco) are not permitted at event. In order to keep everyone safe, bands who encourage moshing or any other potentially dangerous acts may be disqualified. All bands must meet event organizers at the Bandshell at 4:00 p.m. on the night of the event. Organizers will discuss last minute announcements and lead group around performance area. Bands may unload equipment after meeting. Bands must report to the stage again, at least one hour prior to their scheduled performance and remain on-site until the end of their performance. Winners will be announced following the last performance; all bands must be present. Any bands not present during required meeting times may be disqualified.

Scoring:

A panel of judges will score musicians using a point system. Judges will use a point system to award points in the following areas: Stage Presentation, Sound Volume & Clarity, Band Synchronization, Time Management, Song Quality & Originality, Stage Management, Band Enthusiasm & Attitude, and Audience Response. In the case of a tie, the following individual category scores will decide the winner (in order): Stage Presentation, Song Quality & Originality, and Audience Response.

FYI:

All bands agree to have their name, voice, pictures and/or likenesses used in any advertising or broadcasting materials related to this contest without any compensation or rights to royalties for such use. A sound system with mics and sound techs will be provided for the contest. Bands must provide all other musical instruments and equipment necessary for their performance. Bands are responsible for the security of their equipment; the event organizers cannot be held liable for any lost, damaged or stolen equipment. Fires, pyrotechnics, fog machines, etc. are not allowed.

Wheaton and Glen Ellyn Park Districts reserve the rights to make changes to the rules and regulations of the contest, as well as maintain the final word in any disputes that should arise concerning the contest.

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All band members must sign the registration form acknowledging they have read and understand the rules as outlined in this document. All band members under the age of 18 are also required to have a parent or guardian sign the document on their behalf. Failure to comply with any contest rules may result in bands being disqualified.