

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 2009 STATE GAMES

Athletes must qualify at the district level in order to compete in **12** of the **78** events that are held at the State Games. Those events are **Bowling Singles, Dance Team, Medal Golf, Advanced Horseshoes, Advanced Shuffleboard, Shuffleboard Doubles, Table Tennis, & five Field Events: Javelin, Discus, Shot Put, Hammer & Weight**. Athletes may compete in all other events without qualifying at a District Game.

There are ten qualifying sites: **Acadiana** in Lafayette, **Bayou-River** in Luling, **Central** in Alexandria, **Greater New Orleans, Northeast** in Monroe, **Northwest** in Bossier/Shreveport, Southeast with **Greater Baton Rouge & St Tammany**, and **Southwest** in Lake Charles. Athletes may qualify at any qualifying site. If an out-of-district athlete/team qualifies at a district game, he/she will not take a qualifying spot away from an in-district athlete/team. The district will qualify the out-of-district qualifiers in addition to the district's athletes that meet the specified qualification requirements for a sport. (NOTE: the out-of-district athlete/team **MUST MEET** the qualification requirements for the individual sports; i.e., finish 1st, 2nd, 3rd, overall or meet the minimum requirements for a sport)

EXEMPTIONS: Athletes in the 80+ age groups (except in Golf they must meet min), if they have previously participated in the event at the State Games, and Gold Medal Winners in an event at the prior year State Games will be exempt from qualifying in those events. If a qualified athlete or team **declares that they are not going** to participate in the State Games, the District may fill the vacancy. The substitutes must have competed in that event in the District Games, and their order of finish will determine the priority for substitution.

BOWLING SINGLES: The top THREE places in each age & sex category in the district event as well as those who meet minimum standards

MEN	50-54(550)	55-59(500)	60-64(490)	65-69(480)	70-74(450)	75-79(400)	80-84(390)	85+(380)
WOMEN	50-54(480)	55-59(460)	60-64(450)	65-69(430)	70-74(400)	75-79(350)	80-84(290)	85+(250)

DANCE TEAM: All participants at a district game qualify for state. Teams can be any combination of age & sex.

DISCUS: The top TWO places in each age & sex category in the district event as well as those who meet minimum standards

MEN	50-54(105')	55-59(100')	60-64(95')	65-69(90')	70-74(80')	75-79(70')	80-84(60')	85+(50')
WOMEN	50-54(49')	55-59(47')	60-64(43')	65-69(41')	70-74(39')	75-79(30')	80-84(25')	85+(20')

GOLF Medal Play: Men & women must meet the minimum standards for their age group

M & W	50-59(95)	60-69(100)	70-79(105)	80-89(110)	90+	must complete 9 holes at sanctioned district games		
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HAMMER: Men & women must have a personal implement and qualify in discus, shot or javelin at a sanctioned district games.

HORSESHOES ADVANCED: The top THREE places in each age & sex category in the district event will qualify for the state games.

JAVELIN: The top TWO places in each age & sex category in the district event as well as those who meet minimum standards

MEN	50-54(110')	55-59(106')	60-64(103')	65-69(90')	70-74(80')	75-79(65')	80-84(55')	85+(34')
WOMEN	50-54(60')	55-59(55')	60-64(45')	65-69(41')	70-74(38')	75-79(25')	80-84(19')	85+(14')

SHOT PUT: The top TWO places in each age & sex category in the district event as well as those who meet minimum standards

MEN	50-54(33')	55-59(31')	60-64(30')	65-69(28')	70-74(27')	75-79(25')	80-84(21')	85+(18')
WOMEN	50-54(24')	55-59(22')	60-64(20')	65-69(18')	70-74(16')	75-79(14')	80-84(11')	85+(7')

SHUFFLEBOARD ADVANCED: The top TWO places in each age & sex category in the district event will qualify for the state games

SHUFFLEBOARD DOUBLES: The top TWO places in each age category in the district event will qualify. If the qualifying site only has a singles tournament the winners may combine into doubles teams for the State Game.

TABLE TENNIS: The top THREE places in each age & sex category in the district tournament will qualify for the state tournament.

WEIGHT: Men & women must have a personal implement and qualify in discus, shot, or javelin at a sanctioned district games.