

Homecoming Competition Packet 2024
Minnesota State University, Mankato
"Mavericks: Endgame"



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Goosechase App

Powered by Goosechase

What: In this virtual scavenger hunt app, you will have the opportunity to complete challenges in the document below. Each team will have four people to enter the challenges. Note you still register on Mav Central.

How: Download the goosechase app



[Apple Store](#)



[Google Store](#)

Captains ONLY: To play:

1. Download the free GooseChase app
2. Enter Game Code: **6XE7KB**
3. Captains will get the join password after registration.
4. Name your team as the team you registered as.
5. Start completing challenges and earning points

Two Type of Challenges:

- Photo – Take a photo at the event
- Text – Enter in the of candidate or participants

Perks

- Once registered manage all of our competitions from one stop
- Live leaderboard
- See submissions from other teams.
- Bonus points will be given to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

[How to Use Goosechase](#)

Hello Super Mavericks!

Homecoming week is going to be here before you know it! Homecoming week 2024 begins September 30th, and I am excited to inform you the theme is "Mavericks Endgame." This year's theme focuses on incorporating the Marvel and DC superheroes with Stomper throughout the week. Let our inner heroes shine!

All information regarding Homecoming 2024 can be found in this packet or MAV Central. This year's activities will include; Homecoming Royalty, Homecoming Kick-off, Cookie Decorating Contest, Volleyball and Soccer Tournament, Family Feud (Royalties Edn.) and Parade. Please be sure to register online at <https://cglink.me/2uE/s275>. We would greatly appreciate the use of online registration. Participation in other events such as Photos with Stomper, Bonfire & Concert, and more do not require registration, but student attendance is greatly encouraged!

We are continuing Homecoming Royalty to show support and recognize all students at Minnesota State University Mankato. Homecoming candidates are chosen based on their leadership, involvement on campus, academics, and their ability to portray a positive image of Minnesota State. Two royales will be crowned on Friday night to allow our Homecoming Royalty to be involved in the various activities throughout the rest of Homecoming week.

Homecoming week is filled with high-intensity events such as soccer and volleyball games, a Lip-sync competition, and cookie-decorating competition. This week will take the cookie! So why not take your Maverick pride to the next level and become part of a Homecoming competition team? You can join an established team or get a group of friends together to create a new team! You can also come to watch the action unfold and support your friends. This year, there will be a competition featuring two divisions Gold and Purple. Each team will compete for first, second, and third place in their own division based on the size of their team. All teams compete for the same All-spirit Awards across all divisions.

If you have any questions concerning the rules for the week or any other portion of the packet, please feel free to contact me, a member of the Student Events Team, or head on over to our office. Make sure to show off your Maverick hero pride and participate in all the fun-filled events to make Homecoming Week 2024 unforgettable!

Best,

Bethel Gebregiorgis

Homecoming Competition Chair

Student Events Team

Homecoming 2024 Schedule of Events

Day	Event	Time and Location
Pre-Homecoming Week Events		
Monday, September 23 rd 2024	Homecoming Royalty Applications Due	4 pm MAVCentral, Online
Tuesday , September 24 th 2024	The Following Items are Due: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Applications • Soccer Tournament Registration 	4 p.m. MAVCentral, Online
Thursday, September 26 th 2024	Soccer Tournament Semi Finals	5:15-7:15p.m., Dome
Friday, September 27 th 2024	Mandatory Homecoming Court Meeting	12 p.m., Zoom
Friday, September 27 th 2024	Mandatory Competition Team Meeting	1 p.m., Zoom
Homecoming Week 2024: September 30th – October 5th		
Monday, September 30 th 2024	Homecoming Royalty Voting Begins	8 a.m. www.mnsu.edu/royalty
Monday, September 30 th 2024	Homecoming Kick-Off & Live Music	11:00 a.m. – 1:00pm – CSU Mall
Tuesday, October 1 st 2024	Cookie Decorating Contest and Royalty Feud	12p.m. – CSU Hearth Lounge
Tuesday, October 1 st 2024	Volleyball Tournament Soccer Tournament – Championship Game	7 p.m. - Myers Fieldhouse 7 p.m. – Sports Dome
Wednesday, October 2 nd 2024	Mavathon Blood Drive	9am to 5pm - Ballroom
Wednesday, October 2 nd 2024	Spirit Booth: Photos with Stomper	12p.m. – 1p.m. – CSU MavAve
Thursday, October 3 rd 2024	Office Decorating Contest Judging	1 p.m. to 4 p.m. CSU
Thursday, October 3 rd 2024	Homecoming Concert	7:00 p.m. Myers Fieldhouse
Friday, October 4 th 2024	Royalty Dinner & Student Events Team Alumni Reception Lip Sync & Coronation	5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., JAR 7 p.m., Bresnan Arena
Friday, October 4 th 2024	Homecoming Bonfire & Fireworks	9:00pm – Blakeslee Stadium
Friday, October 4 th 2024	Homecoming Royalty Voting Ends	7:30 p.m., online
Saturday, October 5 th 2024	Homecoming Parade	10:30 a.m., Warren Street and Stadium Road
Saturday, October 5 th 2024	MAVS on the Mall	11am to 1:30pm – MSU Mall
Saturday, October 5 th 2024	Homecoming Football Game VS. University of Sioux Falls	2:00 p.m., Blakeslee Stadium
Saturday, October 5 th 2024	RHA Event: Silent Disco with Boba and Crafts	8:00 PM – CSU Ballroom

2024 Competition Divisions "Mavericks Endgame"

The two divisions that students may participate in are:

* Please note the different divisions are based on the number of students from your organization/group that will participate in the homecoming competition.

GOLD DIVISION

The Gold Division will consist of teams of under 50 students. Note: 10 members are the minimum for the competition teams. Prizes will be awarded to the top three winners in this category:

1st Place: \$250 & traveling trophy

2nd Place: \$175

3rd Place: \$100

PURPLE DIVISION

The Purple Division will consist of teams of 50+ students. Prizes will be awarded to the top three winners in this category:

1st Place: \$250 & traveling trophy

2nd Place: \$175

3rd Place: \$100

ALL-SPIRIT AWARDS

Two All-Spirit Awards will be awarded: **one** to the team with the highest overall point total and **one** to the team voted by the Homecoming Committee to have the most spirit throughout the week this team will receive a traveling trophy. Each Team awarded will be rewarded an **additional \$150**.

- Your group must have a 901 account (on-campus account). Prize money will be transferred to your 901 account and can only be used for travel, programming on campus, or convention fees. For more details contact Student Event Team Advisor, Bill Tourville, by email at William.Tourville@mnsu.edu
- All applications and contacts involving Homecoming activities must be turned in by **Thursday September 24th 2024** to the Student Activities Office, CSU 173, online or emailed to bethel.gebregiorgis@mnsu.edu

Applications turned in after 4 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24th will not be accepted.

Point System for the 2024 Homecoming Competition

Take a photo at a Homecoming Kick-Off (Max 50 points)

Each team that enters a photo of the Homecoming Kick-Off will receive **50 points**.



Volleyball Tournament (Max 100 points)

Tues. October 1st 7pm – Myers Fieldhouse

Each team will receive **55 points** for entering a team of six (6) people. Only one (1) team will be allowed to participate per competition team.* Points will be given to the top three finishers in each division and tournament:

- First Place **45 points**
- Second Place **35 points**
- Third Place **20 points**

* More than one team per residence hall can participate, but only one will represent the competition team.

Rules: This will be a single elimination competition with only one set per match; the final match will be an exception and have three sets (**one set is 25 points with a two-point advantage**). Players may be swapped out between matches and sets. Each team will be emailed a guide on how to play volleyball and are expected to understand the rules before the game begins. Fighting, swearing, gesturing at or excessive arguing with the referee and/or players will result in disqualification.

https://mnsu-my.sharepoint.com/:w/g/personal/ch3455pe_minnstate_edu/EPwyezR-ORNscAtEzAC4ZABAEmljIWitksun01nk8Y98Q?e=j05fDO



Soccer Tournament (Max 150 points)

Finale - Tues. October 1st 7pm – Myers Fieldhouse

Each team will receive **55** points for entering a team of seven (7) people. Only one (1) team will be allowed to participate per competition team. Fighting, swearing, gesturing at or excessive arguing with the referee and/or players will result in disqualification.

Semi-Finals – Sept 26 5:15 to 7:15pm – Sports Dome
Quarter and championship– October 1 7:00pm– Sports Dome

https://mnsu-my.sharepoint.com/:w/g/personal/ch3455pe_minnstate.edu/EeWbHHxxWJ9LhHzHrjSXT54B9WHC1fEGc09oZfnl15iroA?e=VoQEQi

Points will be given to the top three finishers in each division and tournament:

- First Place **45 points**
- Second Place **35 points**
- Third Place **20 points**

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Cookie Decorating Contest (Max

225 points)

Tues. October 1st 12pm – CSU Hearth lounge

Each team that enters will receive **25 points** for each participant (max two participants). Points will be awarded to the top three finishers:

- First Place- **100 points**
- Second place – **75 points**
- Third Place – **50 points**

Rules: There will be three rounds consisting of two heats, and then the final round. Three winners from each heat will compete in final championship. The contestants/members with the closest replica of the standard will get placed first, second and third. One judge will determine the winner of each round. Two judges will monitor for interactions. **Judges' decisions are final.**



Mavathon Blood Drive (Max 50 points)

Wed. October 2nd 9am to 5pm – CSU Ballroom

Each team that has a member attempts to donate blood will receive **50 points**

Register online:

https://mavcentral.mnsu.edu/mavathon/rsvp_boot?id=376827

If you team is unable to donated blood, contact Mavathon to volunteer at the blood drive. Victoria.volberg@mnsu.edu



Sitting with Stomper Photo Contest

(Max 150 points)

Wed. October 2nd 10pm – Deadline - Goosechase

Each team that enters a photo with the Sitting with Stomper into the contest will receive **50 points**. A photo both will be set-up Wed. October 2nd from 11am to 1pm at Stomper. Points will be awarded to the top three finishers at Lip Sync:

- First Place- **100 points**
- Second place – **75 points**
- Third Place – **50 points**

Judging Criteria:

- Originality – 25%
- Correlation to theme – 50%
- Use of Props – 25%

Judges' decisions are final.

Wed. October 2nd 10pm – Deadline – Submit on Goosechase



Take a photo at a decorated office

(Max 150 points)

Each team that enters a photo at one of the offices decorated for Homecoming will receive **50 points**.

List of Locations: <https://www.mnsu.edu/university-life/activities-and-organizations/Homecoming/homecoming-events-and-traditions/office-decorating-contest/>

Submissions must be made by 10pm on Friday, October 4th.



Rules:

- *All routines must be performed on the space provided in Bresnan Arena.*
- *By Tuesday October 1st 2024 **by 4 p.m.**, you must submit a copy of your music to the competition chair. Email, CD, or Flashdrive.*
- *Each routine must be between four (4) minutes and eight (8) minutes long.*
- *No obscene actions are permitted.*
- *No alcohol, drug, or sexual connotations are allowed.*
- *At all times, someone from your team must be lip syncing to the music or points will be deducted.*
- ***All teams must have at least one reference from Marvel or DC, such as songs, scenes or characters.***
- *All items must be removed from the performance area following the performance. Items left on the stage will result in a point reduction.*
- *Must sign a waiver in order to participate.*
- **Teams will not be able to rehearse in the arena before the event.**
- **Captains must come to the arena at 6:00pm for orientation.**
- **Failure to follow these rules will lead to disqualification.**



Homecoming Royalty Points (Max 300 points)

Royalty Candidate Sponsorship

All Royalty applicants will need to submit an application and an interview video. A group of judges will narrow down the applicants to a maximum of 10 candidates regardless of gender. Candidates must be sponsored by a competition team.

Points

- Teams will receive **40** points per candidate nominated. Maximum of two nominations.
- Teams will receive **70** for each candidate chosen for the homecoming court (max 2 candidates).
 - Each team may enter only two (2) candidates' gender doesn't matter.

A team will receive **80** points (additional) if one or both are crowned as Homecoming Royalty.

Homecoming Royalty Requirements

- Candidates must have completed a minimum of **30** credits at Minnesota State University, Mankato.
- Candidates must have at least a **3.00** cumulative GPA and be in good standing with the University.
- Candidates must be currently enrolled in **at least six (6) credit hours** at Minnesota State University, Mankato.
- All candidates must fully complete the Royalty Application and turn it in Sunday, September 23rd, 2024.
- To verify the candidate's GPA with the Registrar's office, all candidates must sign the grade release form attached to the Homecoming packet and turn it in with the royalty application.

All Royalty Court candidates must attend Homecoming Kickoff, Cookie Decorating Contest, Family Feud, Lip Sync and the tournaments. Family and friends are invited!

Rules for Royalty Campaigns

- No chalking of the buildings is allowed. To sidewalk chalk you must confirm with the scheduling office located in 220 Centennial Student Union.
- Defacing, covering, or taking down other candidates' posters/flyers will result in disqualification.
- Posters/flyers hung in academic buildings or residence halls must follow guidelines set by Building Services. Please read the Residence Hall posting policy in the next section before hanging flyers in the halls. Candidates will be disqualified for hanging materials in improper spaces.
- The exchange of a vote toward any specific candidate for any good, material, or service is prohibited. Bribery will **not** be tolerated.
- The Student Events Team and Homecoming Committee will not be held responsible for any rules (as stated by Building Services, Residence Halls, and the CSU) violated by any team participating in Homecoming.
- Any costs related to damages are the sole responsibility of the sponsoring team.

Rules for hanging materials in the CSU

- Posters may be hung in the restrooms.
- Building signs must remain completely untouched.
- Artwork and gallery spaces are not to be used.
- Campaign materials must not interfere with building traffic.
- Posters cannot be hung on the doors
- Only Blue Painters Tape can be used to hang materials.





PARADE ENTRY (Max 300 points)

The parade is **Saturday, October 5th, 2024, at 10:30 am**. Lineup starts at 9:30 a.m. RSOs are highly encouraged to participate!

Registration

University Float Decorating Contest:

All university departments, student organizations, and residence halls are eligible for decorations voting. All university floats will be judged on the following criteria. The top three units will be awarded prize money to their university accounts.

1st - \$250

2nd - \$150

3rd - \$100

Floating Judging Criteria:

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| • Originality | 25% |
| • Interactivity | 25% |
| • Decoration Quality | 25% |
| • Representation and correlation to the homecoming theme
(includes costume and props) | 25% |

Competition Points

Earning Points As stated above, each team will earn **100 points** for entering a float, car, or marching/walking unit. Judges will inspect each float and grade them based on the criteria below. Teams can earn additional points based the following:

- Correlation to Homecoming Theme **30 points**
- Originality and Creativity **40 points**
- Quality of Work **30 points**

Additional points will be given to the top three teams:

- First place entry **100 points**
- Second place entry **75 points**
- Third place entry **50 points**

Take a photo at a Bonfire/Fireworks (Max 50 points)

Friday, October 4th 9pm – Blakeslee Stadium

Each team that enters a photo at one of the bonfire and fireworks will receive **50 points**



Take a photo at a MAVS on the Mall (Max 50 points)

Saturday, October 5th 11am to 1:30pm – MSU Mall

Each team that enters a photo at one of the MAVS on the Mall will receive **50 points**



Take a photo at a Football Game

(Max 50 points)

Saturday, October 5th 2pm – Blakeslee

Each team that enters a photo at one of the Football Game will receive **50 points**



Take a photo at a Silent Disco and boba night

(Max 50 points)

Each team that enters a photo at one of the RHA Event will receive **50 points**.



Additional Notes:

1. Any infractions of the rules or regulations outlined in this packet will result in the loss of points or disqualification from the Homecoming competition. In the event of an infraction, the Student Events Team and Homecoming Committee reserve the right to determine the point loss or disqualification.
2. Student Activities reserves the right to address any improper behavior including, but not limited to, deducting points.
3. In the event of a tie, the Student Events Team shall decide the winner based on contribution to Homecoming in the areas of enthusiasm, effort, and participation. **The Student Events Team's decision will be final.**
4. Please refer to the official Homecoming website at www.mnsu.edu/homecoming for more information regarding rules and event details.

All Homecoming events are held in wheelchair accessible facilities. Anyone needing special assistance should contact the Student Activities office at 507-389-6076 at least 48 hours prior to the event. MN Relay: 1-800-657-3789 (MRS/TTY).

Points:

- Total point possible **2225 points**

The following is available at: https://mavcentral.mnsu.edu/student_community?club_id=35713

- Packet
- Schedule
- Rules
- Registration