

CAL-STAR ALL-STARS

Season 3 Parent Packet

2023-24 Competition Season Information

Cal- Star All-Star is a competition and performance-based program. Our athletes practice 2-3 times per week and compete at local and travel competitions. While our program is based on competition, we feel that our organization exists to build self-esteem, confidence, work ethic, leadership, healthy lifestyle habits, and friendships that will last a lifetime!

We create teams with competition in mind. Athletes will be placed on teams according to their ability and their age. We consider all aspects of cheerleading and place everyone on specific teams for a reason. Regardless of the team, we are confident that your athlete will shine!

*Rosters will not be considered FINAL until the end of June. This will give our staff time to work with each athlete and ensure that he/she is on the team that best fits with his/her abilities, age and goals.

*We reserve the right to move participants, combine teams, or split teams during the season if it will benefit the program, the team or the athlete.

All competitive/travel sports are expensive ventures. We understand that it takes a great deal of financial sacrifice to be involved in a program that travels and competes on a national level. We do everything possible to ensure a quality program for the lowest cost possible. All of our fees are listed in this packet so you can budget for the entire season. Please see the Fees & Tuition section for more information.

Please have both parent and athlete expectation contracts signed and turned in by May 5th.

You will receive an email Saturday, April 29th for which Team your child is placed on. Practice begins May 1st!

Parent Meeting Night May 7th!

Prep teams- 5:30 pm

Elite teams- 6:15 pm

Competitions

*USASF Membership is required to compete (40\$)

Tiny Novice: 3 Local Competitions

All Level Prep: 5 Local Competitions

All Level Elite: 5 Local Competitions and 1-2 Travel Competitions

Each Competition requires a registration fee around \$80 for one day and \$150 for two-day competitions and billed approx. 90 days before competition. Refunds are not available for any reason.

(crossovers may need to pay an additional fee approx. \$40)

Tuition:

Tinys Novice: 1hr 2x per week (\$195/ month)

Prep: 1hr 30m 2x per week (\$230/ month)

Elite: 2hrs 2x per week (\$280/ month)

Uniform:

(Includes: uniform top, uniform skirt, bow, bag)

Tiny Novice: approx. \$200

All Prep: approx. \$350

All Elite: approx. \$600

Shoes- GK Spotlight (white) \$60

Warm Ups purchase is optional (price TBD)

Music & Choreography:

Music and choreography costs are dependent on the tier of the package selected and number of athletes on the team. Pricing will be discussed further at parent meeting night (May 7th).

Referral Credits- You earn a \$50 statement credit whenever you refer anyone to our program, and they sign up for a cheer class or a full-year all-star team.

Crossover Positions

Crossovers are athletes that compete on more than one team within their program, athletes can only crossover onto 2 teams max (compete with 3 teams) and can only crossover onto teams within their division (prep or elite).

Crossover athletes pay additional tuition, music and choreography fees for the second team they are competing on, and are expected to attend all practices for both teams. Crossover positions are only offered through a coach to athletes who they believe can handle the extra challenge.

Vacation Dates

Cal-Star will be closed for team practices and classes on the following days:

Memorial Day- May 29, 2023

Halloween- October 31, 2023

Thanksgiving- November 23, 2023

Christmas Break- December 23, 2023- January 1, 2024

Easter Sunday- March 31, 2024

Important Events

Choreography Month: September, teams will attend 2 five-hour blocks during this month - Schedule will be released shortly after team placements from the last tryouts date on June 24th. Choreography dates will be arranged on a weekend in September for each team.

Nov/Dec.: Choreography clean-up

Competition schedule will be released in July.

*Choreography dates and competitions are mandatory

Post Season Event

Elite Teams are eligible to qualify for postseason events, such as The Summit, US Finals or The Pinnacle when they do well at scheduled competitions. This information will be listed on the competition schedule when it is released.

Post-season events are not included and will incur additional fees and travel. Details will be given as teams qualify for these events.

If you have any questions about the Cal-Star All-Star Cheer program, please attend our parent meeting night on May 7th or email amber@calstar.info

PARENT EXPECTATIONS 2023-24

We have read the registration packet and understand the commitment we are making to the Cal-Star cheer program, staff and other team members.

I understand the following:

Payment is due on the 1st of each month by automatic withdrawal from a VISA/MC. We will notify you by email if there's a billing issue only once. There is a \$25 service fee following each month after that there is no valid card on file OR if the card comes back declined or expired. A letter is sent once notifying the email we have on file to update your billing information. Cal-Star does not send regular statements but we do email monthly receipts when we run auto-payments.

Parents have 24/7 access to account information and balance on Cal-Star's parent portal. It is the responsibility of the parent or other adult signing the contract to meet all financial requirements. In the event that you wish to split your fees between co-parents, BOTH parents must sign a contract and a meeting will be required to set up a fee schedule. If payment has not been posted by the 10th of the month, a \$25 late fee will be assessed, and the athlete will be removed from practice until payment is made.

Accounts that reach 30 days past due will cause the athlete to be removed from the team, and all balances due until paid in full. Delinquent accounts past 90 days will be sent to an outside collection agency for enforcement.

This is a contract for the 2023-2024 season (May-April.) Families have 30 days from the date the contract is signed before it becomes binding. Contracts canceled within the 30-day window will be refunded minus the registration fee (and any fees that may have been paid on your athlete's behalf.) If, for any reason, a contract is broken after the 30-day window, the member must continue to pay off the contract OR pay a 1-time termination fee of \$500.

****There are no refunds if you leave our program.** We do this to cover the expense of finding someone to fulfill your responsibility to your team or

modify choreography which most of the time requires additional practices for the team.

Practices are not closed to spectators but we highly recommend from experience that you observe for the last 10 minutes of practice.

Parents and non-participating children are not allowed on any gym equipment or performing surfaces.

Transportation and accommodations while traveling to competitions are not included, and are the responsibility of the parents. If parents cannot attend, athletes may travel with the team for an additional fee.

Issues, concerns or complaints should be directed to the coach or program owner. Issues should be discussed with coaches in private, and parents should always show respect for staff in front of athletes.

It is the parent's responsibility to read all announcements, flyers, emails and informational materials to stay up to date on gym events and news.

Participating on a full travel team may require up to 4 missed school days per season. If an athlete participates in multiple activities, parents must ensure that Cal-Star takes priority.

Cal-Star reserves the right to move athletes within a routine or between teams at our sole discretion. Teams may be split or combined at any time if it will benefit the overall program. Athletes do not own, nor are they entitled to any "spot" or position in the routine, and will likely be moved around the routine many times during a season. Our coaches and staff will make changes based on their expertise, scoring system, judges' feedback and overall team needs. Parents are not coaches and will have no grounds to question placement in a routine - these decisions are made with the best interest of the program in mind, please trust our staff.

Athletes may be removed from routines or from the program for failure to follow attendance policy, behavior policy or payment policies. Parents are expected to support the gym when they discipline athletes for these failures to follow rules. Competitions are ALL DAY EVENTS.

Cal-Star requires athletes to stay and support the other teams during their performances, and athletes must be present at their award ceremonies. Please

do not plan anything else on a competition day and do not encourage your athletes to break the rules and leave early.

Parents are expected to ensure that their athletes are in the correct attire, hair and make-up during events. If an athlete breaks these rules, parents are expected to support the gym when they discipline athletes with consequences.

By signing I agree to uphold the policies stated in this contract.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:

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ATHLETE EXPECTATIONS 2023-24

By initialing each item you understand and agree to honor each policy to represent the Cal-Star All- Star Cheer program.

_____ I have read the registration packet and understand the commitment I am making to the Cal-Star Cheer All-Star Team program, staff and other team members.

_____ I will participate for the entire season, and not quit mid-season and hurt my gym and my teammates.

_____ I will maintain a positive attitude and work ethic and will follow all coach's instructions. Be coachable!

_____ I will be at practice, be on time, and give 100% when I'm there.

_____ I agree that if I participate in activities other than Cal-Star cheer, my all-star team comes first.

_____ I will refrain from being negative about the program, coaches, and team members in person and in public forums, such as message boards, Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook, band and any other forms of social media.

_____ I will refrain from posting anything inappropriate while in uniform, at competitions, or at any time that I could be connected to the Cal-Star cheer program.

_____ I understand that I am required to stay and cheer for all other Cal-Star cheer teams. I understand that profanity, inappropriate behavior, bullying or negative discussion are not tolerated and are cause for removal from the team and/or program

_____ I will accept coach decisions regarding team placement, stunt position and choreography, and will put the good of the team ahead of myself.

_____ I understand that I may not be allowed to compete if I miss a practice two weeks prior to a competition.

_____ I understand that breaking the contract rules can result in removal from the program.

Athlete's Printed Name:

Athlete's Signature:

Date:
