

CHEER INFINITY ALLSTARS

2019 - 2020

INTERNATIONAL TEAM HANDBOOK

Welcome to Cheer Infinity! We are so happy that you have chosen to be a part of our family. Our mission is to build self-confident, self-disciplined, team-oriented and loyal athletes. At Cheer Infinity we value sportsmanship, dedication, integrity, and development of the cheerleader both on and off the mat. In this handbook, you will find information on the tryout process, financial obligations, athlete and parent policies, and important dates. Please read this handbook in its entirety prior to tryouts.

Tryout Check List:

- **New Customers: register online prior to Tryouts from the Cheer Infinity Allstars website.**
- **Returning Members: Login into your Client Portal to update policies from the Cheer Infinity website prior to Tryouts.**

Items to be turned into the front desk:

- Copy of Birth Certificate for new athletes
- \$40 Registration Fee for New Cheer Infinity Members. Should an athlete tryout and decide they do not want to be a part of Cheer Infinity they forfeit the \$40 Registration Fee as we have made decisions based on their commitment to tryout.
- Single Competitor Price List
- Buyout contract signed and dated
- Cheer Infinity Terms and Conditions checklist completed, signed and dated
- Handbook completed
- Evaluation Page with just the top filled out

Placement:

Cheer Infinity follows the guidelines and rules set by USASF. There may be athletes on any given team that tumble at a different level than the rest of their teammates. We try to match up the athletes by level as best we can, but please remember that stunting, pyramids, jumps, dance, motions, age, mentality, dedication, attitude and work ethic are huge factors as well. Some will be stronger tumblers than others. Some will contribute more with stunts than others. We chose our team based on the positions that we need to fill (Bases, flyers, tumblers, etc.) Every athlete is on the team for a reason - Please trust the staff. Our decisions are made on what is best for the ENTIRE program as well as the athlete.

Program Cost Overview

Registration	\$30 USASF credentialing fee for ALL members
Monthly Tuition	\$20 This includes one 3 Hour PRACTICE EACH WEEK.
Choreography Fee	\$45
Practice Wear	International Team will not be required to buy specific practice wear
Uniform / Bow	TBD
Competition Fees	Made in installments. May change based on bid acceptance.

PROGRAM POLICIES

1. PAYMENT:

A schedule of payments is listed in this Handbook. All monthly fees will be drafted on the 1st of each month. Cheer accounts must keep a current credit card or bank account on file at all times. Accounts must remain current. No exceptions. If an account is not paid by the 30th of the month, that athlete will have to sit out of practice until the account is current. If an account falls more than 60 days behind, the athlete will be dismissed from team.

BUYOUT CONTRACT: If an athlete leaves the Allstar program prior to completion of the season, payments are non-refundable and a charge of \$300 will incur. If an athlete quits, is removed, or becomes injured, no refunds will be given. Competition fees paid will be applied to a replacement. The Buyout Contract would apply.

2. ABSENCES:

Attendance is crucial to a team's success. If an athlete is going to be absent, notification must be made at the FRONT DESK and not the coach. All absences are documented. Please give advance notices whenever possible for scheduling purposes and approval. Coaches will be notified of the absence from the Front Desk. No unexcused absences the week of any competition is permitted.

ALLOWED absences:

1 excused personal absences

1 unexcused absences (non-noted)

2 unexpected absences (death in family, family emergency, etc.)

Any absences after that will result in dismissal. No refund will be issued and Buyout Contract would apply.

Vacations are not permitted during competition season. Choreography camps are MANDATORY and cannot be missed. If you cannot come to Choreography camp, you cannot be on team. Please try to plan your vacations during our closing dates. (See "Important Dates" in this Handbook)

Competitive Cheerleading is a team sport and practice cannot be taken away from the athlete as a consequence for bad behavior at home or school. Please find a punishment that does not also punish the coaches and teammates or this action is grounds for dismissal from team.

3. COMMUNICATION:

Each team will have a private group Facebook page, which will be used to communicate

with the team. Email will also be a part of our communication from the coach, team mom and gym. Team moms will use your cell number during competitions to keep you informed of any last minute changes. It is the parent's responsibility to stay informed. Please make sure your email and cell numbers are current with the Front Desk. If you have a question or concern about your team or child, please contact the head coach via email at mike@cheerinfinityallstars.com. If it is necessary, the coaching staff will make an appointment to speak with you directly.

4. TRAVELING/COMPETITIONS:

All transportation/accommodations are solely the responsibility of each family.

Competitions are **MANDATORY** for everyone. The competition schedule is included in this Handbook. Please make sure you have no conflicts. If a competition is missed, it will result in an immediate dismissal from the program. No refund will be given and Buyout Contract will apply.

Athletes are required to wear the appropriate hair, makeup, and clothing required. It is the responsibility of the families to bring their uniform, bow, cheer shoes, and additional items listed on the itinerary to competitions.

When attending any event with Cheer Infinity, all rules apply. You are going as a representative of our program. We encourage our parents to sit together and support all CIA teams. Show respect for the coaching staff, other teams and hosting organizations with good sportsmanship conduct. If possible, parents are encouraged to show support by wearing Cheer Infinity Allstars clothing.

5. UNIFORM/WARMUP:

It is the responsibility of the athlete to keep in good condition all their uniforms. Lost, misplaced or damaged clothing will be replaced at your expense. During practice, all clothing and belongings must be stored in the cubbies and not thrown on the floor. Please LABEL you child's practice wear and warm-ups! Everyone wears the same clothing and similar sizing.

6. TEAM PRACTICES:

Athletes are expected to be punctual and ready (Hair up, shoes on, etc) to go out on the floor on time wearing scheduled practice wear. If athlete is late or dressed incorrectly, they will have conditioning after practice. This will be implemented every practice. A

calendar will be provided with the scheduled practice wear monthly. A dress code is enforced.

Extra practices can be added throughout the season. This can happen prior to a competition if needed. Remove All Piercings. If you chose to wear stud earrings, you do so at your own risk. We are not responsible for damages incurred to athletes who do not adhere to the NO jewelry policy.

Coaches reserve the right to close practices at their discretion.

7. INJURIES:

If an injury should occur, it is the responsibility of the parent to seek professional help. Each athlete must have his/her own medical insurance. After seeking a physician, please provide Cheer Infinity Allstars with an evaluation of the athlete's injury/status. A release from a doctor is required if a serious injury should occur. If an injury prevents the student from continuing, there will be no refunds. Monies will be used for a replacement and the Buyout Contract would apply.

8. ATTITUDE/BEHAVIOR:

Our goal is to train our athletes not only to be winners on the floor but most importantly to be winners in life. Therefore, we STRICTLY enforce a positive, encouraging atmosphere from all participants and families. GOSSIP, profanity, rude language or negativity will NOT be tolerated. Do not post negative comments either direct or underlying about Cheer Infinity on social media. We need to be an example to our children and understand that a public forum is not the place for this. We reserve the right to remove immediately an athlete/parent from the program if the parent or child is aggressive, states misleading or false information. If you have a concern, we encourage you discuss the issue with management or head coach.

Anyone threatening to quit or to pull his or her child from the program will be dismissed immediately. No refunds and Buyout Contract would apply.

9. TEAM MOMS:

A team mom will be assigned to each team. The team mom will assist in helping with communication between the coaches and the parents. They will keep updated contact information such as phone numbers and emails for their team and send out information to parents/guardians such as itineraries, scheduled practice information, events, team bonding information, meeting time locations at competitions, schedule changes, etc.

Team moms will also help at competitions by making sure athletes return safely to their parents.

Team moms will also work with the Booster Club and help organize at least one fundraising opportunity for their team.

10. BOOSTER CLUB:

The team members elect officers each season to help run the Booster Club. The Booster Club is a separate entity from Cheer Infinity Allstars and a private club. Fundraising events will be available throughout the season. These monies are distributed to those families who participated in the fundraiser and will be applied to those cheerleaders' cheer account. For more information, please contact a Booster Club representative for more details.

11. Nonparticipants (parents/siblings/friends, etc.) are not allowed on the floor unless invited. No yelling out onto the floor or make contact through the viewing room window. You will be asked to leave if you do so. If you need a student, please see the front desk for assistance. Opening the door to the gym disrupts all classes and the safety of all our students.
12. You cannot create or sell your own CIA clothing or CIA items. Our name and Logo is copyrighted. All ideas for apparel must be emailed and approved by Management.
13. Do not bring items of value to the gym. CIA is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
14. Please be respectful of our staff's personal time. DO NOT call or text the staff on their personal phones unless it is an emergency! The staff needs to have their personal time away from work. If you need to speak with them, please email them to setup a meeting time or give the front desk a message to give to them. Thank you in advance for respecting this rule.
15. No animals permitted in Cheer Infinity facility due to allergies of participants.

Buyout Contract

I understand that all payments are nonrefundable. I also understand that, Payments are never prorated or refunded, including cases of illness/injury, sitting out, joining late, or leaving early. I further understand that If my child leaves the Allstar program prior to the completion of the season I forfeit all payments and will be charged a \$300 buyout fee.

Buyout contract commencement is September 15th, 2019. If the athlete leaves the team for any reason or is dismissed from the program for any reason after the commencement date the \$200 buyout contract will be in effect.

Signature _____

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

CHEER INFINITY TERMS & CONDITIONS

Please initial each statement and sign the bottom agreeing to our policies and terms:

_____ I understand that by trying out and completing registration that I am committing to being on a team. If I decide that me/my athlete will not be committing to the team after tryouts that I forfeit any monies paid to Cheer Infinity Allstars prior to departing.

_____ I understand that all monthly tuition fees are due and will be drafted on the 1st of every month. No exceptions.

_____ I understand that if my credit card or bank information changes, I will notify CI immediately with updated information.

_____ I understand that all competition fees are NON-REFUNDABLE.

_____ I understand that if I have an outstanding balance after 30 days, my child will be asked to sit out and a replacement will learn my child's position. I also understand that if I have an outstanding balance after 60 days, my child will be asked to leave the program. The Buyout Contract would apply.

_____ I understand the absence policy and if an athlete exceeds the number of absences, they will be dropped from the team . No refunds and the Buyout Contract would apply.

_____ I understand that Competitive Cheerleading is a team sport and that a practice cannot be taken away from the athlete as a consequence for bad behavior at home or at school. Please find a punishment that does not also punish the coaches and teammates. This action is grounds for dismissal from the team. ATTENDANCE is vital to a team's success. Aim to be at every practice.

_____ I understand that Choreography Camp is MANDATORY.

_____ I understand that the coaching staff have the right to close practices as they deem necessary.

_____ I understand that an athlete CANNOT miss any competitions or will be dismissed from the team.

_____ I understand the importance of being a positive role model for all athletes. GOSSIPING, spreading negativity in or out of our facilities or on social media will not be tolerated and we reserve the right to remove immediately any athlete/parent from the program

violating this policy. Attitude is everything on and off the floor. We require respect and you can expect respect from CI.

_____ I understand that "Good Sportsmanship" will be practiced at ALL times while representing Cheer Infinity. EVERY athlete is expected to be a good ambassador of our program.

_____ I understand if an athlete leaves the Allstar program prior to completion of the season, payments are non-refundable. The Buyout Contract would apply and a charge of \$200 will incur.

_____ I have read the Handbook thoroughly and understand and agree to all policies stated therein.

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

Athlete Name (Print)

NAME OF CHEERLEADER: _____

Championship Prizes

Some competitions give t-shirts, jackets, or hoodies to their champion teams. We will need to have a list ready to bring the competitions. Please keep in mind that your child might grow through the year. We like to tell people to order jacket and hoodie sizes one size bigger than what you wear normally to allow for growing room.

T-Shirt Size (Please circle one size):

YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL AXXL

Jacket Size (Please circle one size):

YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL AXXL

Hoodie Size (Please circle one size):

YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL AXXL

IBUPROFEN AT THE GYM

During the course of the year it is likely that your child may have a headache during practice. Some children experience headaches more than others. We always call the parents to ask for verbal permission to administer medicine to the child. Please check one of the following options:

Please call me to ask my permission to give ibuprofen to my child. I understand that if my child is experiencing a headache and I cannot be reached that Cheer Infinity will not give my child any ibuprofen until my permission is given.

I _____, give my permission for Cheer Infinity Allstars to administer ibuprofen to my child without my verbal consent. I understand that Cheer Infinity Allstars will not give more than one dose of ibuprofen to my child unless otherwise permitted by a parent/guardian. My permitted dosage of ibuprofen to my child is _____mg.

Parent Signature _____

Date: _____

2019-2020 Evaluation Form Tryout Number _____

Athlete's Name _____ Age as of 8-31-19 _____

I AM/AM NOT interested in cross competing on two teams (circle one).

Cross competitors will be responsible for additional competition fees. All members will compete on the team the coaches see fit. Athletes will be chosen to compete on a team as the coaches see fit. Athletes will be chosen to cross compete **ONLY** if the coaches agree on the position. Circling this does not guarantee an athlete will be on two teams. **Please list any dates that you know you will be absent:**

The Section Below Should be Filled Out By Cheer Infinity Allstars Staff ONLY

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Y N Forward Roll	Y N BHS	Y N Standing 3 BHS	Y N Standing Tuck
Y N Cartwheel	Y N Round off BHS	Y N Toe Touch BHS	Y N BHS Tuck
Y N Round-off	Y N BHS Step-out thru to BHS	Y N R/O BHS Tuck	Y N 2 BHS Layout
Y N Back Walkover	Y N F. Walkover thru to BHS	Y N Punch Front	Y N R/O BHS Layout or Layout Step-out
Y N Front Walkover	Y N Back Walkover BHS	Y N Combination thru to Tuck	Y N Whip or Punch front thru to Layout

Tumbling / Stunt (Age Bracket #1 _____ Position _____)

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Y N Prep	Y N Extension	Y N Ground up Lib	Y N 720 from Prep
Y N Straight Cradle	Y N Prep level 1 leg	Y N Full Twist Cradle	Y N Extended 360 from 1 leg
Y N Single Base	Y N Two Men	Y N Full up Elevator	Y N Full up Extension
Y N Extended TB	Y N 1/2 up to 1 leg (P)	Y N 1/2 up to 1 leg (E)	Y N Switch up 1 leg (E)

Flyer Body Position: +/- Heel Stretch +/- Scorpion +/- Scale +/- Arabesque +/- Bow-n-Arrow

Jumps

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Y N Pike/Hurdler/Toe	Y N Pike/Hurdler/Toe Fwd Roll	Y N Pike/Hurdler/Toe 2 BHS	Y N Pike/Hurdler/Toe BHS Tuck

Single Competitor

September 1 st , 2019	\$100
October 1 st , 2019	\$100
November 1 st , 2019	\$100
December 1 st , 2019	\$100
January 1 st , 2020	\$100
February 1 st , 2020	\$100
March 1 st , 2020	\$100
April 1 st , 2020	\$100

Uniform and Bow: TBD

Shoes: Athletes will be required to wear white cheerleading shoes. There is no specific brand for the prep team. Some sites you may want to try are: teamcheer.com, nfinity.com, eBay.com, and amazon.com. You can also try searching Google.

Make-up: TBA

Payment Terms: Payment is due in full at the above dates listed. If Payments are not made before the 1st of the month, the card on file will be drafted the amount of payment owed. Payments remaining unpaid more than fifteen (15) days from required payment shall be subject to late payment charges consistent with applicable law. Cheer Infinity Allstars may suspend students for non-payment of more than 30 days from payment date. At which time payments along with fees must be paid to continue. If an account is behind 30 days Cheer Infinity will begin the process of turning over the account to its contracted collection agent. If any court cost are associated with collection of amounts owed, the customer will be responsible for payment of those court costs.

_____ (Signature of Parent/Guardian) _____ Date

Competition List

Date	Competition	Event Location	Stay To Play
February 1 st 2020		Port City Challenge Wilmington Convention Center 10 Convention Center Dr. Wilmington, NC 28401	NO
February 15 th -16 th		Cheer Sport Nationals Georgia World Congress Center Atlanta, GA 30313	Connections Housing Visit site below to access housing http://ow.ly/1lbe30IKLQu
January 18 th -19 th		Spirit of Hope Charlotte Convention Center 501 South College Street Charlotte, NC 28202	Universal Spirit is a 'Stay Smart' event for the 2020 Spirit of Hope Nationals. housing@universalspirit.com
March 21 st -22 nd		Cheer Ltd Nationals Myrtle Beach Convention Center 2101 N. Oak Street Myrtle Beach, SC 29577	Go to thsweb.com below the login you will see "Select Sport" click the drop down to choose "Cheer/Dance" Also "Select tournament" click the drop down to say "Allstar Challenge- Lonestar Round-Up" Follow the instructions to book your hotel
April 25 th -27 th		The Cheerleading Worlds Orlando, FL	More info will be provided if the team attends

Important Dates

International Choreography Camp	October 13 th 5:00 - 9:00	Dates along with times will be posted when final team rosters are posted.
Gym Closings	November 27 th - 31 st December 22 nd - Jan 3 rd	Thanksgiving Break Christmas Break
Sizing Dates	TBD	**This is for uniform sizing and will be done before and during each athlete's practice time. There will be a signup sheet at the front desk once the date has been set.

Additional Information

Client Portal: If you are already a registered member at Cheer Infinity you can login into your client portal by clicking "Client Portal" on the home screen. Use your email address that we have on file as your login username. Then click "Forgot password or need to get started." We will send you a temporary password that you may change once in the system. Inside the client portal you may change things like your email address, update your registration information, make payments and much more.

