

RISING STARS 2023-2024

INFORMATIONAL PACKET



## Welcome to Season 18!

## RISING STARS PROGRAM

Thank you for your interest in the Cheer Force One Rising Stars program! Rising Stars is a half-season All Star program for those who are interested in All Stars but are not quite ready for the full season commitment. Participants in the Rising Stars program have less time, financial, and travel commitment than the full season program.

All Stars is a unique sport involving tumbling, stunts, jumps, and dance. All Stars is great for youth interested in a performance-based sport and is open to all skill levels. Through hard work and commitment to the team, participants learn valuable life lessons and develop crucial life skills such as time management, responsibility, teamwork, and so much more! Whether your child has dreams of cheering for a full season competitive team, a school team, or is just looking for a team-based activity - Rising Stars is a fit!

Registration is open through Tuesday, August 29th, and the first team practices kick off the first week in September. Rising Stars teams practice once per week for 2 hours (Tiny Teams: 60-minutes).

The 2023–2024 Rising Stars season runs through the final event in March 2024. Weekly practice days/times will be finalized once registration concludes.

#### **REGISTRATION DUE BY: TUESDAY, AUGUST 29TH**

PRACTICES START THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5TH [AFTER LABOR DAY]

CONTACT THE ALL STAR DIRECTOR:

#### **ALL STAR DIRECTOR**

Tara Mansfield tara@cheerforceone.com Gym: 228.219.4444

### What is All Stars?

All Stars is a competitive cheerleading program where teams from gyms perform and compete against teams from other gyms. Each season we form teams to compete locally, regionally, and even nationally. The All Star program trains more than just the individual. By working as a team, individuals learn about teamwork, sportsmanship, leadership, time management, commitment, and many life lessons they will carry with them through school and into future careers and relationships.

All Stars is an opportunity for each child to open up, be themself, and learn in the process. When a child is confronted with an obstacle, whether internally or externally, coaches are there to guide them and help problem solve. The individuals who gain the most from the All Star experience are those whose parents encourage their child to work through situations and discuss concerns with a coach.

## Practices & Competitions

Each Rising Star has **one** weekly team practice. Team practice length varies based on team.

Mini, Youth, Junior Teams: 2-hour practices
Tiny Teams: 1-hour practices

Each Rising Star team will have a choreography clinic scheduled for Saturday, October 7. The speicifc time will be announced closer to the event.

Rising Stars teams perform at two local events during the season. The specific times teams perform is not distributed until the week of the event. Please block off these dates to prevent any scheduling conflicts:

#### COMPETITIONS

- •Saturday, March 2 VIP Nationals Biloxi, MS
- •Saturday, March 16 Deep South Mobile, AL

These dates/location are tentative.



### Commitment

The Rising Stars program is a commitment. Weekly team practices are considered mandatory. There are not "excused" or "unexcused" absences from practice. It is improtant for each family to immediately communicate any foreseen conflicts as soon as they are known. Unlike other sports, All Stars does not have a bench of extra teammates to pull from. Team positions are fluid and can be changed at any time.

Proper attire should be worn at every practice. Please help make sure your child is ready for practice in athletic attire and proper footwear.

### Code of Conduct

Participation in the Rising Stars program is a commitment to the values and expectations set by Cheer Force One. All Star participants are expected to set a positive example inside and outside of the gym. All Stars are expected to be role models within their communities. By being a member of the All Star program, you are a representative of the CF1 brand.

We work to keep open communication with parents with any red flags. The goal is to work together to keep each child headed in the right direction making the best decisions for the future. In the event a proactive plan can not be agreed upon or proves to be unsuccessful, a child may be removed from the program for poor conduct. There have also been occassions where a family has been dismissed from the program due to a parent's conduct. The best interests of the program as a whole are always the priority in these cases.

Cheer Force One has a zero tolerance policy for underage drinking or drug use of any kind. Participants found to be violating this policy are removed from the program.

Sportsmanship plays a major role in the unity of the Cheer Force One program. Speaking or posting online negative comments about a coach, team, team member, decision, result, or event can be considered grounds for dismissal. The support of each participating family is important to keeping a postive, nurturing environment for your child.

### Pricing

The Rising Stars Tuition is a monthly fee similar to tuition for a recreational class. The monthly fee covers participation in the Rising Stars program, weekly team practice, and team events as scheduled (choreography, etc.).

All monthly membership fees are billed and considered due on the 1st of the month. Late fees are applied to any account with a balance as of the 11th each month. Payments can be made at the gym during normal operating hours or through the online Parent Portal at any time. Ask about our autopay feature to avoid late fees.



The Uniform Package consists of the Competition Uniform (top/bottom) and Competition Bow (girls). The Uniform Package fee is billed October 1st and due by October 10th. Uniforms will not be ordered for accounts with a balance.

For the 2023-2024 season, we will be using NEW uniforms and bows for the Rising Stars program!

All Rising Stars are required to wear white cheerleading shoes with their uniform. Families are welcome to purchase any brand - please ask your All Star Director if you need assistance.





#### Registration is a three-step process:

- 1. Complete this registration form and attached commitment forms (4 pages).
- 2. Turn in all completed paperwork to the front office no later than Tuesday, August 29th.
- 3. Use the Parent Portal to enroll in the 2023-2024 Rising Star Event. This is how your registration fee is billed/paid. [New members will need to first register at www.CheerForceOne.com to create an account and have Parent Portal access.]

Please fill out one form per participant. Rising Stars Registration Fee [\$40] billed with your online EVENT Registration. Due to team requirements, the Rising Stars Registration Fee will be refunded if Cheer Force One is unable to place your child on a team for the 2023-2024 season. Participants must be registered members of the gym. [Family Registration Fee - \$35]

Participant's Name:										
Birthdate (MM/DD/YEAR)										
T-Shirt Size (circle	YXS	YS	ΥM	YL	YXL	AXS	AS	AM	AL	AXL
Parent Over Account:										
Parent Phone Number:										
Parent Email Address:										
Referred by: (optional)										

If you have any questions about the Rising Stars Program, please reach out to your Cheer Force One location's All Star Director prior to submitting your paperwork.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE USE ONLY:**

CF1 Rep: Initial next to each line item once completed.

Gym Registration	
Account in Good Standing	
Verified Contact Information	
Rising Star Reg. Fee Paid	
Signed Agreement (4-pages)	

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## 2023-2024 RISING STAR FINANCIAL CONTRACT (pg1)

Parent/Responsible Party:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Parent Phone Number:	
Parent Email Address:	
Driver's License State/Number:	
ATHLETE NAME	

Initials

The financial obligation of the All Star "Rising Stars" program is a 7-month agreement from September 2023 through March 2024. There is a \$40 registration fee due upon signing up followed by 7 monthly installments (September-March). The monthly rate (\$159; \$119 for Tiny Team) is considered the membership cost of the program. By participating in team activities, the family is agreeing to the fees associated with the team. Fee disclosure is available for parents prior to placement. Any changes to the program, including the cancellation of a competition, will be handled on a case-by-case basis and at the discretion of the All Star Director/owner.

Initials

Fees are due on the 1st of each month. Any account with a balance as of the 11th of the month, including a balance from a previous month, is billed a \$25 late fee. It is the responsibility of the Parent/Responsible Party to make on-time payments to avoid late fees. There are no refunds for any payments made or fees billed to the account. Payments can be made online through the Parent Portal using any major credit/debit card (Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express) or bank account. If an account is more than 30 days behind, the athlete may be removed from the program or restricted from participating until the account is paid in full based on the All Star Director's/owner's discretion.

Initials

Monthly fees do not include competition uniform package (top, bottom, bow). These items are required and must be paid for by October 10th (\$195 girls; \$155 boys). Cheer shoes are required (any brand, all white). Any related travel costs are also not included.

Initials

If an athlete is removed from the All Star "Rising Stars" program by choice or consequence, the Parent/Responsible Party is responsible for any outstanding balance on the account, including the current month's fees, in addition to a \$250 contract termination fee per athlete. If a balance remains on the account 10 days after separation from the All Star Program, the account is turned over to a third party for collection purposes. Any fees incurred for collecting a debt will be added to the account and the responsibility of the Parent/Responsible Party. For this reason, we encourage settlement at the time of separation.



# 2023-2024 RISING STAR FINANCIAL CONTRACT (pg2)

Pare	arent/Responsible Party:	
ATH	THLETE NAME	
Initia	Once an athlete has been placed on a team and teams are announ member. There is no grace period before the terms and conditions	
Initia	Discounts and Promotions: All athletes are eligible for discounts on a One. Sibling discounts are available for any family with more than The sibling discount is \$40 per additional child. Additional discount available at any time. This information is distributed to the member available through social media channels.	one child in the All Star program. s and promotions may become
Initia	Included in the All Star fees is one of any required practice appare responsibility of the parent to help athletes keep track of the practitimes as discussed by coaches and/or the All Star Director. In the estolen/misplaced, additional practicewear may be purchased throus required to pay the current pro shop rate for any apparel to keep. Questions about the enforcement of practicewear requirements can	cewear and wear it at appropriate vent practicewear becomes lost/gh the front desk. Parents will be the athlete in appropriate attire.
Initia	For the 2023-2024 season, the monthly membership installments inc Additional classes can be taken at a discounted rate. Each addition	
Initia	Any athlete who is injured and unable to complete his/her season was Any fees paid/due at the point of injury are non-refundable and contract termination fee is not applied.	_
Initia	The Parent/Responsible Party listed on this form and signing for find responsible for the account payments. We do not entertain "split accircumstances.	

This contract is a financial agreement between Cheer Force One, LLC and the respective party listed above. The terms of this agreement are non-negotiable. By signing this document, the respective party agrees to the terms of the contract. This contract is in effect from the date signed through March 31, 2024.



## 2023-2024 RISING STAR TERMS & CONDITIONS (pg1)

Parent/Responsible Party:	
ATHLETE NAME	

The purpose of the 2023-2024 Rising Star Terms & Conditions commitment form is to outline the key policies in the Cheer Force One All Star "Rising Stars" Program. Please initial to the left of each policy. By initialing and signing, you are agreeing to the terms and conditions of the program. Agreement to all terms and conditions is required for participation in the Cheer Force One All Star Program.

Initials

SPORTSMANSHIP: Sportsmanship is a key part of any sports program, including All Stars. The commitment to the All Star program includes the commitment of the participating athlete and parent(s)/guardians, in addition to any friends or relatives who play a role in the athlete's participation to the program. All parties are expected to be supportive and respectful of the All Star Program; its directors, coaches, and staff; and any affiliated parties, including event producers, apparel representatives, and similar individuals. Failure to comply to this policy may result in the removal of the athlete/family from the program at the All Star Director and/or owner's discretion.

Initials

COMMUNICATION: In order to run a successful program, communication is key. Cheer Force One uses emails, phone calls, handouts, Facebook, website updates, and team texts to help make sure the proper information is delivered to athletes and families. It is the parent's responsibility to make sure questions, comments, and concerns are all directed to the appropriate party. The coach and All Star Director are the appropriate individuals to contact in every situation. Please note, we will not discuss with you children who are not your own. Social media is not a proper forum to air grievances with the program. At times, an athlete may be removed from the program due to comments viewed as negative - this includes posts online.

Initials

ABSENCES: Attendance is crucial to the success of the program. All team practices, clinics, camps, events, and competitions are considered mandatory. There is no such thing as an "excused" absence. All absences (sick, social events, school events, etc.) count the same.

Team Members are expected at all practices. Practice start in September and conclude the week of the final event. Any absence may result in the removal from routine elements. Absences may lead to removal from theprogram. These situations, along with all absence situations, are handled on a case-by-case basis. The All Star Director reserves the right to handle each situation at her discretion. The program comes first in all situations.

Initials

CHOREOGRAPHY: Choreography is scheduled for Saturday, October 7. It is crucial for all members to attend. All choreography and placement is subject to change at anytime based on the needs of the team. These changes are made at the discretion of the coaches and the All Star Director.



# 2023-2024 RISING STAR TERMS & CONDITIONS (pg2)

Parent/Responsible Party:	
ATHLETE NAME	
not know the specific time of parents. Missing an event m	npetition is inexcusable. Dates of competition events are provided to ning of each season for this reason. Until the week of an event, we do performances. Parents are expected to plan in advance for all potential may lead to dismissal from the program at the All Star Director's discretion. to be addressed with the All Star Director at the first available opportunity.
Please allow the coaches to be about issues and concerns at contact is warranted to help of	parent in an athlete's journey is to be a beacon of love and support. es excel when there is unconditional love from the parent/guardian. be the coaches. Athletes are encouraged to speak to coaches directly practices/events. Coaches will contact parents when issues arise and when an athlete reach his/her potential or become a better teammate. Please have with the coach or All Star Director directly.
informs parents of any excep to watch your child work thro	parent viewing area is available for parents during most practices. The lat all Saturday and Sunday practices/camps/clinics. The All Star Directo tions to this policy. Please use the parent viewing area as an opportunity ugh challenges, see progressions, and meet other parents in the program. ecomes a source of negativity and concern, the All Star Director reserves e.
(apparel, online, printing, etc. Star member who acts (physic	GE: The Cheer Force One logos are trademarked and any use of the logos ) without written consent of the owner is forbidden. In addition, any All cally, verbally online, etc.) in a manner viewed as potentially damaging to vill be removed from the program. Cheer Force One will take legal action as.
Initials at any point, the program wil	circumstance prevent the All Star season or events of it from happening I be adjusted accordingly. A temporary closing of the gym or the inability stitute a termination of this contract. Any financial proration is at the

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