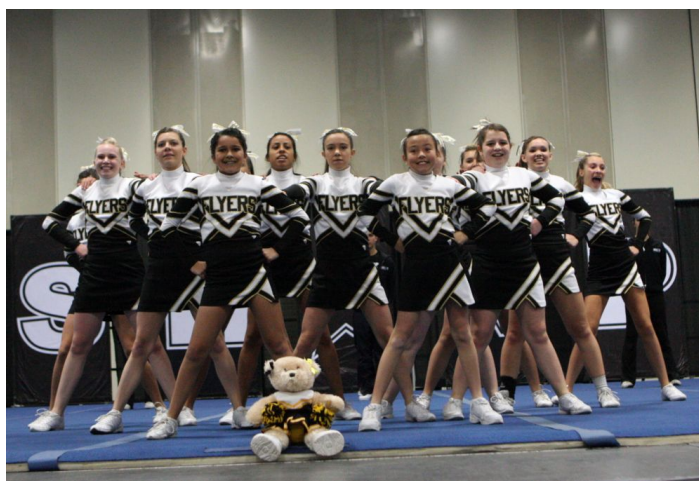


Tumble City Cheer 2011-2012 Season



Information Packet (Tryouts, fees, schedule, etc.)

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Tumble City Flyers Cheer Guidelines and Agreements

COMMITMENT - Cheer competition involves time commitment in training as well as participation in competitive events. In order to achieve our greatest potential EVERY member must make a commitment to the team mentally, physically and emotionally and give 100% at every practice and every event.

CONDUCT - All Tumble City athletes are expected to maintain a positive, respectful attitude toward fellow teammates, coaches, judges, parents and other athletes and the community at large. They will always be supportive of other teams and never allow themselves to become involved in a negative or hurtful discussion. Attitude is a big deal!

At practice all athletes must conduct themselves appropriately. This means be on time to all workouts, be appropriately dressed, be ready to work, hair off of shoulders and out of face, no candy, no gum, no soda, no jewelry, no long nails, no talking or horseplay, and no talking with spectators except during a break.

UNIFORMS - Uniforms will be ordered in July. It is important that you complete your registration form, size information form and pay your deposit on time so that your uniform will be ready in time for our first event. Uniforms and accessories may vary depending on the level of the athlete, but all uniforms consist of at least a skirt, shell, briefs and bows. Uniforms may only be worn for competition or events designated by Tumble City. Each athlete is responsible for the care and upkeep of the uniform. Cheer shoes are considered a part of the uniform and must be kept clean and in good condition. Always wear your uniform proudly and respect it. Conduct yourself appropriately especially while in uniform. This means language, physical contact and attitude. Once we have ordered your uniform there will be no refunds. We understand that things come up and sometimes athletes may have to resign from the team, however we will not be able to absorb that cost. In that situation we would encourage you to try to sell your uniform on consignment at the gym.

PRACTICE APPAREL - All athletes are expected to dress appropriately for workout. Acceptable clothing include official practice outfit, or shorts/sweats and a tucked in tshirt. Unacceptable clothing includes short-shorts, jeans, belly or low cut shirts, overly baggy shirts or shorts. Absolutely no jewelry! Cheer shoes are mandatory for practice. Please try not to wear your shoes outside, bring extra shoes for walking to and from so the bottoms of your cheer shoes stay clean.

COMPETITION - We compete through different leagues depending on the level of the squad. The number of events we attend will be determined by the readiness of the squads and the schedules of the majority of our members. Entry fees for each athlete will generally range from \$15 to \$75 depending on the type and venue of competition. Competition times are not available until one week prior to the event. Spectators must pay to enter the events, this can range from \$10 to the cost of a theme park ticket depending on the venue.

DISCIPLINE - While we do not anticipate the need for any type of disciplinary action, we do feel the need to state our rights and responsibilities with regard to the subject. We expect all athletes to be on time for practices and events, follow all gym and event rules and policies, conduct themselves in an appropriate manner and be cooperative during all activities. Respect for your coach and any other person around you is a very important aspect of being on any Tumble City team. If an athlete behaves in a manner which is determined to be against the general policies as stated, the coach will give a verbal warning. If the athlete continues the behavior then a note will be sent to the parent. If the behavior still continues then a conference will be set up to determine the athlete's future with our program. Parents please note that this also pertains to your behavior. We expect the same out of you as we do from your athlete.

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PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES - Competitive cheer can be costly. We have done our best to keep cost at a minimum without losing quality. Fundraising will be completely up to the parents and the athletes. It is the responsibility of the athlete and their parent to get involved in parent fundraising and/or utilize sponsor opportunities to pay for the competition and uniform fees. All fees, uniform and competition cost are expected to be paid by deadline. All fees and costs are non-refundable. All transportation to and from practices, events or competitions is strictly the responsibility of the parent or guardian. If arrangements are made for riding with another parent or if an athlete will be driving we must have a signed waiver with all signatures prior to the event. Coaches are not responsible for any athlete's transportation or supervision outside of the competition scheduled time.

PARENT CONDUCT - We ask that parents use encouraging language toward all children during practices and competitions. Please do not distract the team verbally or physically. All athletes need to stay focused for the entire practice session or competition. We need support in the stands but please leave the coaching up to the coaches.

Your athlete will be asked to stay focused on the performance and will not be permitted to socialize with family or friends during practice or performance. We need 100% of every athlete's attention at competition and practice. We ask that family and friends do not distract them. Cell phones will not be used until the end of practice, unless in the event of an emergency.

PRACTICES & FEES

All students will practice two days per week: Tuesdays & Thursdays Times will vary by squad. Please note that there will be 20-30 minutes devoted to tumbling on each practice day.

Mascots – Tues/Thurs. 4-5pm	(\$ 75 per session)
Elementary – Tues/Thurs. 4-6pm	(\$100 per session)
Senior – Tues/Thurs. 6-8pm	(\$100 per session)

The tuition cost of \$100 per session (4 weeks) for the total of 16 hours of class time per session. Any additional classes taken are strongly encouraged and will be significantly discounted.

SEASON SCHEDULE - Our cheer season generally starts in May and runs through April, however actual dates will be determined by readiness and participation. We expect all of our team members to stay active throughout the entire season for proper preparation and completion of competition season. **The May session will be a skill building and evaluation phase.** Returning Flyers cheerleaders may opt to take some time off during this session, however, new cheerleaders MUST take this course.

VACATION POLICY - Because competitive cheer requires practice as a team, we rely on all squad members to be at all practices. **For those taking vacations, we will be willing to prorate up to 1 week per session only. Any additional vacation time will NOT be prorated off of session tuition.** However, we will suggest makeup dates in our available tumbling classes for those additional missed dates. Please keep in mind that any missed practices not accounted for may result in squad suspension...so please call or email when missing practices!

Fee & Practice Season Schedule

Below is a list of fees, due dates and important schedule information. Please review carefully before committing to the program.

DATES

Wed. 5/4, 7:15pm - Orientation

This meeting will cover the basic season info as well as allow us to answer any questions you may have. The meeting is not mandatory, although attendance is encouraged.

May Session: 4/26-5/20 (Tues.-Fri.) 5:00-6:30pm – Try-It-Out Clinic

Current and new students MUST attend at least half of the session in order to be properly evaluated for our squads. All students must dress appropriate in practice type clothing (no street clothes such as jeans, skirts, etc.), tennis shoes, hair pulled back, and no jewelry. Students appropriate practice appearance will be evaluated.

Fri. 5/20 – Squad announcements & official sign-up day

This will be when deposit is due and paperwork is to be signed. ALL members/guardians are required to stop in Tumble City between 4-8pm on this date.

June Session: 5/24-6/17 (Tues.-Fri.) 5:00-6:30 – Squad & Position Placements

We will be working on positioning and stunt assignments within the separate squad groups.

*****Gym Closure: 5/30**

July Session: 6/21-7/22 (Tues. & Thur.) – Official practice schedule effective

All squads will be split into different practice times on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We will begin routine work during this session.

*****Gym Closure: 7/4-7/8**

July - Uniform Fitting

September through May – Demonstrations/community events

Because competitions only utilize a small amount of the season, we will also hold other opportunities for students to perform at community events and demonstrations.

November through May - Competitions

Competitions will be held Saturdays and Sundays. Holiday season competitions will be tentative. As of this moment, the competition schedule is not yet available to us. We will hand out a schedule as soon as we get it.

FEES

Annual Team Membership Fee - Due: June

ALL cheerleaders must pay the annual membership fee for Tumble City. This \$30 fee is required of all Tumble City members each year (July-June).

Tuition Fees - Due: per session

These fees MUST be paid on time! Tuition fee covers the 16 total hours of practice per session.

Uniform Fee - Due: June -August

We will be dividing up the uniform costs to make it easier on everyone. The first payment of \$150 (deposit) for uniforms will be due in June **upon squad sign-up** (date to be determined). The second and third installment of \$75 each will be due in July & August (specific date to be determined).