# KC Cheer Parent Meeting 2023-2024 Tryouts

#### Programs for the 2023-2024 Season

- ★Full Season Elite
- **★Full Season Limited Travel** 
  - ★Full Season Prep
    - **★**Tiny Novice
- **★**Half Season Novice/Prep
  - **★**Cheerabilities

# **Full Season Elite**

- Tuition:
  - Youth & Junior Level 1 teams \$195/month
  - Junior & Senior teams Level 2-5 \$225/month
  - Worlds teams \$235/month
  - \$30/month discount for additional family member tuition
- Ages 6-18+
- Season is June through April
- 2 to 3 practices per week
- 5-6 local competitions
- 3-4 Out of State competitions
- Post season competitions only with qualification (Worlds or Summit)

# **Full Season Limited Travel**

- Tuition:
  - Youth & Junior Level 1 teams \$195/month
  - Junior & Senior teams Level 2-5 \$225/month
  - \$30/month discount for additional family member tuition
- Ages 6-18+
- Season is June through April
- 2 practices per week
- 4-5 local competitions
- 2 Out of State competitions
- Post season competitions only after meeting all gym requirements (Worlds or Summit)

# Full Season Prep

- Tuition:
  - Will follow current Mini level 1 tuition of \$160/month
  - \$30/month discount for additional family member tuition
- Ages 4-16
- Season is June through March
- 2 practices per week
- 3-4 local competitions
- 1-2 Out of State competitions
- No Post Season competition (Worlds or Summit)

# Tiny Novice

- Tuition:
  - \$85-\$95/month
  - \$30/month discount for additional family member tuition
- Ages 3-7
- Season is June through March
- 1 practice per week with additional Saturday practice once/month starting in October.
- 4-5 local competitions only
- No experience necessary

# Half Season Novice/Prep

- Tuition is \$95/month
- \$30/month discount for additional family member tuition
- Ages 4-16
- Season is August March
- 1 day of practice/week with 2 Saturday (pre-scheduled) practices/month
- 3-4 local competitions
- No out of state travel or post season events

# Cheerabilities

- Designed for athletes who want to have fun, cheer, perform, gain new skills and build friendships.
- An inclusive program for children with disabilities. Our Firecracker team is open to all, ages 3 and up.
- Coached by our professional staff including certified educators and athlete mentors who have a passion for working with people of all ages.
- Your athlete will build confidence, have fun performing and make new friends within our gym family
- No experience necessary.
- 1 practice/week
- 3-4 local performances
- Season is September March

# **Tryout Process**

# **Tryout Clinics**

- Sign up for a tryout clinic through our website or Athlete Portal
- \$130 tryout fee includes one week of tryout clinics followed by 2 weeks of group practice.
- \$65 for ages 4-7

# **Group Practices (May 15-25)**

- Group practices will be assigned before May 15<sup>th</sup> and will be posted on the homepage of our website, <u>www.kccheer.com</u>
- Sign up for your designated group practice through our website or Athlete Portal.
- Group practices will begin the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> and run through May 25<sup>th</sup>.
- At the conclusion of group practices, athletes will commit to be placed on a team based on KC Cheer Staff decisions.
- Commitment will be made by enrolling in a special 2023-2024 KC Cheer Roster in Jackrabbit.
- Admin and Insurance fees will be paid at this time. (\$160/athlete)

# Team Announcements

#### **Getting Ready for Team Announcements**

- Team Placements will be announced after May 29<sup>th</sup> on the homepage of the website.
- Athletes will enroll in their designated team practice for the 2023-2024 season.
- Entry Fee deposit will be made at the time of enrollment
- All contract agreements will be signed upon team practice enrollment
- Parents are asked to update and verify ALL Jackrabbit portal information, including adding insurance information at this time.
- Team Practices will begin the week of June 5th

# Contracts Agreements & Deposits

- New for this season Contract Agreements will be signed electronically through the Parent (Jackrabbit) Portal.
- Only athletes with a signed contract agreement will be allowed to attend practice.
- There are several contract agreements for team participation, we encourage your to read each one carefully. We will go over these in the next few minutes
- Contract Deposits will be posted to your Jackrabbit account upon registration in your team practice and payment will be due no later than Saturday, June 10th.
- Entry Fee Deposit:
  - Elite Full Season, Full Season Prep & Limited Travel: \$150-\$500 depending on Age & Level
  - Tiny Novice and Half Season Prep: \$150-\$300 depending on Age & Level

# Monthly tuition

- Monthly tuition is based on your team & level as previously discussed.
- Due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month.
- Pre-payment discount Pay your full season of tuition by June 30<sup>th</sup> to receive one month free.
- •\$30 sibling discount for additional family members.

#### **CAMPS**

- Skills Camp (for L1 Mini and above)
  - June 26-29
  - 2 half day sessions/team during this time period
  - Skills Camp will be paid prior to the start of camp.
- Choreography Camp
  - July 11 -23
  - Each team will have 3 days (4-5 hours/day) during this time period
  - Cost will range from \$280 \$600
  - Cost is dependent on Age & Competitive Level
  - 2nd choreography session is set for September 15-26.
  - Dance choreography November 20-22
  - Choreography Camp will be paid prior to the start of July camps.

# **Uniform Costs**

- Performance Uniforms (Youth thru Senior) \$480
- Performance Uniform (Mini & Tiny & Half Season) \$350
- Performance Uniform (Male Athletes) \$350
- Uniform Rental (Worlds Team Females) \$300
- Uniform Rental (Worlds Team Males) \$200
- Uniform fees will be posted and due by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

# Practice Wear & Accessories (estimates)

- Practice Wear
  - Program Set \$90
  - Team Specific Set \$155
- Accessories (Bows, Makeup, Cover Up & Socks) \$160
- Practice wear for Male Athletes \$115
- Practice wear & accessories for Tiny/Novice/Prep \$115
- Shoes (depending on style) \$60-\$125
- Practice Wear will be posted and due at the time of ordering (June)

# **Travel Guidelines**

- Out of town Competitions
  - Hotels through Varsity Housing Agency. Families will be give a booking link and will be responsible for their own reservations.
  - Bus travel only if all teams are staying at the same hotel
  - Competition information will be posted to our website by Wednesday prior to the event.
  - Following your contract deposit, additional competition fees will be broken into 3-4 equal payments and paid in August, September, October & November.

#### IMPORTANT DATES & HOLIDAYS

KC Cheer is closed for practice and classes on the following days.

- Father's Day Sunday, June 18th
- Memorial Day Monday, May 29th
- 4th of July Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> through Sunday, July 9th
- Labor Day Monday, September 4th
- Thanksgiving Holiday Thursday, November 23 through Saturday, November 25th
- Christmas Holiday Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> through Monday, January 1, 2024
- Spring Break March 9-16, 2024 Practices resume on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

# Policies & Expectations

#### **Athlete Conduct**

- I will not show disrespect in any manner to my coaches, KC Cheer staff members, or volunteers.
- I will treat my teammates and other athletes at KC Cheer with the utmost respect and I will not engage in pettiness, gossiping or cliques both in person and on social media.
- I will treat the KC Cheer facilities with respect. That includes all gym spaces, lobbies, restrooms and locker rooms.

#### **Use of Social Media**

- I will not engage in negative comments on any Social Media platform or speak of KC Cheer in a negative way online. This includes, but is not limited to Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Snapchat and TikTok.
- I will not post videos or music for team performances on Facebook, YouTube or any social media outlet under any circumstances.

#### Use of Licensed Merchandise & KC Cheer Logo

- I will not use the KC Cheer Logo and/or team names and logos without the approval of Kristi or Michael Whitney.
- I understand that the selling or distribution of any clothing or spirit wear items is prohibited without prior written approval.

# **Drug & Alcohol Policy**

I understand that KC Cheer is a drug and alcohol free environment and abuse of this policy will result in removal from the program.

# Quitters Policy (new for 2023-24)

I understand that if I quit or am removed from the team my family is still financially responsible. An amount of \$750 for Elite team members & \$250 for Half year team members will be charged, or tuition will continue until this amount has been reached.

#### **Attendance & Practice Expectations**

- I will contact Kristi Whitney and my team coach in advance to inform her of any school or family related event that prevents me from attending practice. Failure to do so will result in an unexcused absence.
- I understand that 2 weeks prior to any competition all practices are mandatory.
- Absences during this time will result in the athlete being replaced for the upcoming competition.
- I will come to practice on time and in the proper practice wear as designated by my coaches.
- I will not wear jewelry to practice and I will leave my cell phone outside the gym proper.

# **Camp & Competition Expectations**

- I understand that I must attend Choreography camp with my team in July. In the rare case that I cannot attend, I will be responsible to pay the fee for my replacement.
- I will attend competitions in the proper attire both on and off the mat.
- I will be respectful of other programs and their teams while at competitions.
- I will support all members of our KC Cheer family at competitions. This includes being at all KC Cheer performances at all events.
- I will perform to the best of my ability for my team at all competitions and support all other KC Cheer teams.
- I understand that ALL COMPETITIONS ARE MANDATORY. NO EXCEPTIONS.

# **Financial Obligations**

- I will submit my entry fees & travel payments for this season in a timely manner based on the due dates set out by KC Cheer management.
- I understand that if I quit or am removed from the team my family is still financially responsible. An amount of \$750 for Elite team members & \$250 for Half year team members will be charged, or tuition will continue until this amount has been reached.
- I have read and agree to the policies, expectations and commitments set forth by KC Cheer regarding general rules and regulations, attendance, tuition, travel payments, fundraising, practices and competition through the Athlete Portal in Jackrabbit class.
- I authorize KC Cheer to use my credit card on file with KC Cheer's online portal for monthly tuition, class fees, uniforms and camps, as well as any expenses over 10 days past their scheduled due dates.
- I understand that should my team earn a bid to a postseason event I am required to participate with my team.

#### COMMUNICATION

- Band App for Team Communication
  - Team parent will set up invitations once teams are set
  - Primarily for team centered events
  - Not ideal for reporting absences to coaches or other issues.

#### Email is Preferred for:

- Kristi Whitney
- Mary Lewis
- Coaching Staff
- All staff emails are linked to the staff webpage on our website.