

# CHEER CONSTITUTION

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# INTRODUCTION

We appreciate your interest in our program. Our primary objective is to physically and mentally train young individuals to reach their full potential. Through Competitive Cheerleading we aim to foster teamwork, sportsmanship, self-confidence and physical fitness. We believe that the skills and experiences gained at Platinum Elite All Stars will benefit your child throughout their life. In recent seasons, we have achieved significant success!

We believe that the skills and experiences gained at Platinum Elite All Stars will benefit your child throughout their life. This packet is designed to provide you and your child with vital information about Platinum Elite All Stars. Please carefully review all the information to ensure a complete understanding of the contents. Included in this packet are copies of the Platinum Elite Cheer Constitution, Parent & Emp; Cheerleader Agreement, seasonal fee details, and the schedule for the current season. Additionally, you will find information on squad- specific financial obligations and training requirements. In recent seasons, we have achieved significant success!

We look forward to expanding our Platinum Elite family and introducing new teams and opportunities based on Sign-Ups and Try-Outs. Details regarding Practice Days and times will be provided post-Tryouts and upon Team Reveals. Information on Break Schedules and Competitions will be available on our website. We hope this information aids in your decision to join our squad!

Please ensure all necessary paperwork enclosed is submitted on or before the designated deadline.

## ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

All athletes are required to submit copies of their Progress Reports and Report Cards as soon as they are available. If athletes are not meeting the academic expectations set by their parents, corrective measures must be implemented. If necessary, an athlete may transition to become an Off-the-Floor athlete to receive additional academic assistance. Once their grades improve, they will have the opportunity to earn a place back on the competition floor. If the athlete continues to fall short o expectations, the decision to continue in the program will be left to the parents.

## CONDUCT

All athletes are expected to be present and actively engaged throughout all competitions, practices, and any PE events, displaying friendly, courteous, and enthusiastic behavior regardless of the outcome. It is essential for athletes to cooperate with coaches and teammates at all times.

We maintain a Zero Tolerance Policy for both Parents and Athletes concerning threats or references to bodily harm, the use of inappropriate language, aggressive behavior towards coaches or fellow athletes, and any form of bullying.

Immediate expulsion will result from violations of the following rules:

- The use of foul, crude, abusive language, or obscene gestures will not be permitted.
  - Possession or use of illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, or any form of tobacco is strictly prohibited.

Failure to comply with these rules will lead to dismissal from the program for violation of the Gym Discipline Policy.

Any misconduct outside of Platinum Elite Allstars must be reported to the director immediately. The director will implement Punitive Measures and Behavioral Correction procedures.

Remember, you serve as an ambassador for our gym, and your actions reflect the program both inside and outside the gym, as well as online.

## PRACTICE POLICIES

At the beginning of the season, parents will receive a Conflict Calendar Link. It is the responsibility of parents to fill out the Conflict Calendar before Summer Boot Camp Begins. Failure to complete the Conflict Calendar will result in an automatic unexcused absence if a practice is missed. Each parent is allowed up to SIX conflicts during the season. However consecutive practice absences are NOT permitted.

For example, if practice sessions are scheduled for Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, missing a Monday and Wednesday practice or a Wednesday and Friday practice is not allowed. Nonetheless, you could attend Monday, miss Wednesday and return for Fridays practice. Competitive cheerleading is a team sport, and the absence of members affects the entire team's performance.

Attendance at practice is mandatory for everyone unless you have an excused absence from the Director. Missing practices with a valid excuse can still lead to the cheerleader being removed or replaced in a routine, position, or stunt, due to the athlete not physically being at practice or in place to fulfill the position. In case of illness, a Doctor's Note must be submitted for the absence to be excused. Failure to provide a Doctor's Note will result in an unexcused absence, and punitive measures will be enforced.

If you wish to participate in other activities, please remember that attendance at ALL Platinum Elite practices, tumbling clinics, camps, and other team-required activities is mandatory. Both individual and team progress hinge on consistent attendance at practice sessions.

Absences that will be excused for practices (except for blackout dates)	Absences that will NOT be excused
Contagious Illness	Birthdays
School events that will affect grades	Out of town (August-May)
Death in your immediate family	Not having a ride
Out of town during the summer (June- July)	Stuck in traffic
Family Emergencies (i.e.a parent being in ICU)	Not reading emails or BAND
	School events that do not effect grades.(i.e school dances
	Feeling tired
	Not having clothes
	Too much homework or falling behind in

school

Athletes must be on the mat dressed and prepared five minutes before the start of their practice starts. This includes:

- Wearing the appropriate practice attire
- · Wearing socks and cheer shoes.
- Having practice-ready hair styled with a bow or scrunchie.
- The athlete;s hair should be tied up with the bow or scrunchie at the crown of their head.

Additionally, maintaining good hygiene practices is essential, which includes wearing clean practice clothes, showering before practice, and using deodorant.

## PRACTICE PREPARATION

- Athletes are to come to practice 5 minutes before practice starts. Athletes are to be in their full practice attire every single practice.
- Wrong Practice Clothes \$25 fee
- No Bow \$25 fee
- No Cheer shoes after received \$25.
- Late to practice after 5-minute grace period \$45
- Late pick up after 5-minute grace period \$45

Parents and siblings are not allowed in the practice area. Please do not drop your athletes off earlier than 15 minutes before the scheduled practice time or pick up more than 5 minutes after scheduled practice ends. Platinum Elite is not a part of Jams Athletics and Childcare. If your athlete or other children are not under our direct supervision, we cannot be responsible for your child.

In the event of an athletes absence from practice, they will be replaced by an off-the-floor athlete. Upon their return, they will have the opportunity to earn a position on the floor. However, if they fail to meet or exceed the coaches expectations, they will be designated as an off-the-floor athlete.

After three unexcused absences from practice, choreography, or any mandatory teamrelated activities, the athlete will be subject to the Punitive Measures established for their team/level.

Unexcused absences from competitions will lead to immediate removal from the program and incurring a <u>Withdrawal Fee of \$500</u>. All coaches expect 100% commitment from our athletes to help them reach their full potential.

## PAYMENTS & PAYMENT PLANS

Weekly/Monthly payment responsibilities and dates can be found or our Financial Document.

If a parent is experiencing financial hardship and is unable to follow the payment schedule presented, they may reach out prior to due dates to the Billing Department to set up a payment plan. This payment plan must be requested, approved, and signed by both parties at least one week prior to the payment due date.

Failure to do so will result in the billing department taking the following actions:



- 1. Adding additional late fees
- Prohibit cheerleaders from participating in performances and competitions.
- 3. Exclude cheerleader from receiving tumbling or extra instructions.
- 4. Removal of cheerleader from the team

At the end of the season, if a cheerleaders account does not have a zero balance, then they will not be permitted to try out for thenext season. Balances must be at zero balance at least the day before the tryout.

.Parents must also provide proof of payment (i.e. copy of the receipt, or email notification). It is not the administration's responsibility to check the status of a past due account.

### PUNITIVE MEASURES

Anytime a schedule/added Platinum event is missed without approval.

#### 1ST UNEXCUSED ABSENCE | \$50.00 FEE

14-day probation if they miss practice that is not excused, they will automatically become an off the floor athlete.

#### 2ND UNEXCUSED ABSENCE | \$100.00 FEE

-14-day probation if they miss practice that is not excused, they will automatically become an off the floor athlete. Their placement on the floor is no longer LOCKED in. They will be switching in and out with off the floor athlete who are in the same position.

#### 3RD UNEXCUSED ABSENCE | \$150.00 FEE

- Athlete is now an off the floor athlete. They have 30-day probation before they are even allowed to compete to get a spot back on the mat.

#### SUSPENSIONS

- Late payments/broken payment plans
   Disrespect to coaches or teammates.
- Parents do not update billing of payment issues or payment plan issues.
- Bullying

#### 1ST SUSPENSION | \$35.00 FEE

30-day probation where no payments can be missed

#### 2ND SUSPENSION | \$50.00 FEE | 30 DAY PROBATION

Athletes' placement on the floor is no longer set and they are switching in and out with other athletes in their position.

#### 3RD SUSPENSION | \$75.00 FEE | 30 DAY PROBATION

Athlete is now an off the floor athlete and cannot compete to get a spot on the floor back for 14 days.

# CONTACT US

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING OUR PROGRAM AS YOUR ALLSTAR HOME. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT US.

