

JUST CHEER ALLSTARS PACKET 2017-2018



**JuST Cheer All-Star Half Year Program
2017-2018**

“Never underestimate the power of dreams and the influence of the human spirit. We are all the same in this notion: The potential for greatness lives within each of us”

-Wilma Rudolph

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As we prepare for our 19th season, we the owners and our staff are consistently developing ways to keep our gym moving in a positive direction. The complete dedication and participation of the cheerleaders and parents are vital to this growth. We need everyone's assistance in implementing the policies in this handbook to make JuST Cheer exceeds expectations.

Specifically, we require all cheerleaders to give their best effort at all times and adhere to all practice schedules and rules stated in this handbook. Every successful program depends on its members who are willing to work hard every day, show up on time, and give support to all members of the JuST Cheer family.

What does it take to be a JuST Cheer All Star?

- A great attitude
- Dedication
- Practice
- Hard, physical work
- **Perfect attendance**
- The support of your family
- Be a team player and encourage your teammates
- BE FLEXIBLE...BODY AND SOUL

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FINANCIAL COMMITMENT/ 2017-2018 FEES

This information provides a summary of the financial responsibility that program members and their parents can expect to pay during the 2017-2018 season.

Joining a JuST Cheer team is a commitment. If a team member quits AT ANY TIME FOR ANY REASON you forfeit all tuition fees. Any uniform or uncollected items will also be forfeited.

Gym Fees: Monthly Tuition fees paid each month you are a member of the program, due on the 1st of each month. Checks should be made payable to JuST Cheer.

Half Year Program - \$75

JCAS Fees: Each Family has their own JuST Cheer All Star Account. **The fees you pay go into your account to pay for your yearly fees.** These fees will be spread over a 4 month payment schedule –December 2017, January 2018, February 2018, March 2018,. The fees are broken down into a payment plan according to your level. **All amounts are per cheerleader.**

***All accounts need to be paid in FULL by March 15th to be eligible to compete for the 2017-2018 Season.**

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FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

This is in addition to the \$75 monthly fee.

FEE	Half Year
Practice Clothing	\$25
Insurance	\$30
Choreo & Music	\$120
Competition Fees	\$200
Uniform Package	\$275
TOTAL	\$650

** USASF Membership Fee of \$30 is not included above. This needs to be paid online on www.usasf.net**

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All Star Program Fees and the JCAS Account

JCAS payments and monies fundraised are credited to this account upon receipt. The money that is earned from fundraising **cannot be refunded, used to purchase clothing, or transferred to cover Gym Fees.**

Please note, that if you decide to leave JuST Cheer during the season, for any reason, there are No Refunds!

You will be assigned a bookkeeper who will provide a monthly statement to each family. The fees are per cheerleader and are to be paid by cash, credit card or check made payable to JCAS. If you have any questions about your account, please contact the bookkeeper listed on the bottom of your statement.

Please carefully consider the financial commitment you are making. We want to work with you to make these financial obligations work.

Fundraising

The JuST Cheer Fundraising Board will schedule numerous fundraisers throughout the year to help raise money for the General Fund. ‘The General Fund’ is used for charitable purposes and gym improvements. Also, we have a scholarship program, which awards funds, to aid graduating seniors who will be furthering their education. All families are expected to participate.

The fundraising committee will schedule other fundraisers throughout the year (i.e Joe Corbi’s Pizza, Yankee Candles, Innisbrook, etc.) The money raised by these fundraisers belongs to the individual cheerleader, and we will allocate these funds to the account of the cheerleader responsible for raising them. The funds are used to pay for necessary expenses for the participant i.e. travel expenses, competition fees and uniform costs for the participant only. These funds are not available to be used for optional clothing or monthly gym fees.

Fundraising money CANNOT be refunded for any reason.

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2017-2018

No All-star Practices:

December 23rd-January 1st- Christmas Break

April 1st - Easter

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Material Agreement:** As a member of Just Cheer All-Stars Cheerleading Program, any material (cheers, chants, pyramid, partner stunts, transitions, dances, music, routines, etc.) may not be used or taught for any purpose, to anyone outside the Just Cheer All Stars Cheerleading Program.
- **VALUABLES IN THE GYM:** It is not possible to monitor valuables brought into the JuST Cheer facility. Please leave valuables at home or in the car. **JuST Cheer will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items.** If you bring valuables into the gym you are doing so understanding the risk you are taking.
- **ALL PRACTICES ARE MANDATORY:** Any extra practice that is scheduled at least one week in advance must be attended by all team members.
- **THERE ARE NO EXCUSED ABSENCES FROM A COMPETITION:** Every team member is expected to attend every competition. Any athlete that misses a competition may be removed from the program. In rare instances some teams may be required to compete on a Friday afternoon/evening for a National Competition which may require some missed school time.

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- JuST Cheer Incorporated is a unique corporation that relies on our company name and logo as brand identity and they are valuable assets to our company. In order to help us protect our trademark rights and strengthen our corporate and brand identity, we revoke all usage of our company name and logo; in whole or in part.

The JuST Cheer Inc. logo or any other JuST Cheer Inc. owned graphic, symbol, logo, icon or image may not appear on or in the publication or on any apparel, product or material without written permission from JuST Cheer owners.

We are asking that all families respect this request and understand that it is unlawful to reproduce the JuST Cheer name and logo and all slogans, images, owned graphics and custom designs that reflect our branding identities.

Parent Meetings

Important information will be announced at these meetings. This is the appropriate time and place for free discussion. Amanda and/or Alyssa will be present at these meetings and will be available to address any questions or concerns. We will be having meetings on various days of the week to accommodate the teams that practice on different days.

Parent meetings will be scheduled ONCE A MONTH from December to April and one parent/or guardian **MUST BE PRESENT FOR each child.**

Communications

The Just Cheer website (www.justcheerallstars.com) will be the main communication method for news and information. Here you will find a calendar for practice clothes, important upcoming events and payment deadlines for travel and fees. We will also post updates on our Facebook page, Instagram Page and Twitter Page on competition days.

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Notices will be delivered by email to parents. The current JuST Cheer email address is: justcheerallstars@gmail.com. You will be asked to supply a current working email address. If you do not have an email address or do not wish to receive notices by email, it is up to you to make an effort to know what is going on. Please attend the parent meetings.

In the event of inclement weather or emergency closing, a message will be posted on the website (www.justcheerallstars.com) and on the gym answering machine @ (973) 575-1999 by 3:00 pm.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

I hereby understand that each time “Just cheer” is mentioned throughout this contract it is meant to be all inclusive of Just Cheer All Stars.

General

1. Only registered athletes are allowed in the practice area.
2. Siblings, family members, friends, etc. are not allowed in the practice area.
3. All spectators must remain in the designated area and keep the noise level down at all times.
4. Any person that disrupts a practice will be asked to leave the gym immediately.
5. NO food, gum, or drinks, besides water, are permitted in the practice area.
6. All trash must be disposed in the appropriate trash receptacles.
7. Cell phones and other electronics must be put on silent mode or left outside of the practice area.
8. Just Cheer is not responsible for any personal items lost or stolen.
9. All forms or information needed by Just Cheer must be turned in to the front desk as requested.
10. The Just Cheer name and logos are trademarked. Any privately created or monogrammed items bearing the Just Cheer name cannot be worn or sold without approval.

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Teams

Just Cheer retains the right to:

1. Decide the roles and/or positions an athlete will have/play on their team(s). (E.g. base, flyer, back, spot, tumbler, dancer, alternate, etc.)
2. Request that an athlete/team take additional classes or camps to improve their skills.
3. Request that an athlete/team practice longer than their regularly scheduled time or add additional practices, camps, or competitions if deemed necessary.
4. Move, replace, add, suspend, or even dismiss an athlete for a period of time or indefinitely from a team or the entire program based on criteria including but not limited to: Attendance, conduct, skills, finances, parent conflicts, etc.

ATTENDANCE

1. Make Just Cheer a priority over any other extracurricular activities.
2. All practice sessions are MANDATORY.
3. Attend and be prepared to participate in all Just Cheer activities including those unexpectedly added throughout the season regardless of illness or injury, unless otherwise recommended by a doctor through **valid written documentation**.
4. Notify Just Cheer immediately when an injury occurs so changes to routine choreography can be made prior to practice.
5. Arrive at least **15 minutes early** to all Just Cheer activities. Continual tardiness will be grounds for dismissal.
6. Notify Just Cheer in writing immediately of all expected tardiness or absences,
7. Notify Just Cheer by phone immediately of any unexpected tardiness or absences.
8. Repeated absence/sitting out of practice may result in position changes in routine, (i.e. loss of tumbling pass, removal from stunt etc.)
9. Cheerleaders will be asked to leave the program due to excessive absences.
10. **ALL COMPETITIONS ARE MANDATORY. If you miss a competition, you will also be replaced for the following competition.**

There is a \$25.00 missed practice fee for an unexcused absence. This will go to the JCAS General Fund.

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Sportsmanship/Conduct

1. Grounds for **dismissal** from Just Cheer include but are not limited to:
 - Smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages or use of drugs
 - Challenging the authority of a coach or person in charge, by competitor or parent.
 - Any negative behavior towards a Just Cheer member or to another gym.
 - No inappropriate pictures or language is to be used on any medium this includes all social media platforms!
 - Athletes are to never approach an official or judge of a competition to voice a negative opinion.
2. Be respectful and courteous to everyone.
3. Schedule an appointment to speak with a coach or staff member to discuss any issues that may arise.
- 4.Refrain from gossiping (including social media) or any form of verbal or physical confrontation.
- 5.Accept team placements and awards with dignity and class.

Health/ Injuries

1. Provide Just Cheer with current health insurance and emergency contact.
2. Inform Just Cheer of all medical conditions that may limit or prevent their ability to participate in any Just Cheer activities.
3. Notify Just Cheer of any injuries sustained as a result of participation in any sanctioned Just Cheer activities.
4. Provide valid written documentation from any doctor explaining the reason(s) and the duration for which they may be limited or unable to participate in any Just Cheer activities.
5. Provide Just Cheer with a list of any medications that they are currently taking.
6. Refrain from the illegal use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco or any other substances.

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Financial Obligations

All parents and athletes understand that:

1. They assume full responsibility for all costs incurred as a member of Just Cheer including but not limited to: gym registration, monthly tuition, apparel costs, competition and travel expenses, or any other item(s), or services purchased or rendered and the payment in full of those items regardless of any circumstances that may arise such as dismissal from the team, or disbandment of the team.
2. Monthly “GYM” payments will be made on the 1st of every month.
3. Monthly “ACCOUNT” payments will be made on the 15th of every month from December to March.
4. Gym Tuition does not fluctuate based on the number or duration of practices in any month.
5. Tuition pays for training. It does not pay for the right to perform.
6. Vacations or time off will not be prorated.
7. All payment dues must be met.
8. A \$25.00 late fee will be assessed in the event that a payment is past due.
9. The Just Cheer Credit Card form must be completed at time of registration.
10. An athlete’s account must be in good standing to participate in practices, competitions, or special events.
11. All FUNDS ARE COMPLETELY NON-REFUNDABLE.

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JuST Cheer All Stars Program COMMITMENT Form

Athletes Name: _____

Parents Name: _____

Registration Agreement: Please initial

_____ I hereby agree to register my child with JuST Cheer All Stars for the 2017-2018 Season. Upon registering for the program, I allow said child to participate in all activities, events, practices, programs, competitions, travel and other such matters associated with JuST Cheer All Stars for the 2017-2018 season. I understand the registration fee is a non-refundable fee paid to JuST Cheer All Stars and is due upon permitting my child to register.

Parent or Guardian must initial each item. Please read and initial the following important policies.

_____ I have read the packet in its entirety.

_____ I have read and agree with the financial plan for 2017-2018.

_____ I have read and agree with the attendance expectations and policy.

_____ I have read and will abide by the rules and regulations set forth by JuST Cheer, Inc.

_____ I understand that ALL fees are nonrefundable.

_____ I understand that ALL communication with coaches should be by email or calling the gym.

_____ I understand that I am not to use the JuST Cheer Logo or other JC related art, slogans or team names without the express permission of the gym owners.

I have read the entire tryout packet and understand and will follow all standards and rules set by JuST Cheer, Inc. and JuST Cheer All Stars.

Parent Signature: _____ Date _____

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CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION CONTRACT

Dear Parents,

This year, all families must provide us with a credit card and authorization to use it. You may choose to charge your gym fees; JCAS account fees, or both each month. However, if you choose to pay by cash/check and we do not receive payment; your credit card will automatically be charged two weeks after the due date. Gym fees are due the first practice of each month, and JCAS account fees are due the 15th of each month.

Cheerleader Name: _____

Parents Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ I would like my gym fees charged monthly.

_____ I would like my JCAS Account fees charged monthly.

I authorize JuST Cheer to charge my: (check one)

Amex _____ Master Card _____ Visa _____ Discover _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

I understand that my signature on this contract will serve as my authorized signature on the credit card charge slip. I understand that should I not meet the payment deadlines for JuST Cheer, my credit card will be charged.

Signature

Date

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