



Titan Elite

2024-2025

Information Packet

TITAN ELITE ALL STARS

Thank you for choosing the Titan Elite All Star Cheer program. Established in 2019, we pride ourselves on building strong, competitive teams, while also focusing on the individual athlete. We have built a quality, family environment where we model positive attitudes, respect, good sportsmanship, dedication, and commitment. Athletes in our program will enhance personal skills, challenge themselves mentally and physically, develop leadership abilities, and create lifelong relationships.

We are a proud member of the USASF and are staffed with coaches that are background checked and certified. We use state of the art techniques in our facility to train athletes in a safe and fun environment. Athlete safety is our top priority.

We develop our routines and skills to fit team level requirements in order to get the maximum possible score on the universal score sheet. We attend competitions where a thorough breakdown of this score sheet is consistently given, and we can learn the most through the judge's feedback.



EVALUATIONS

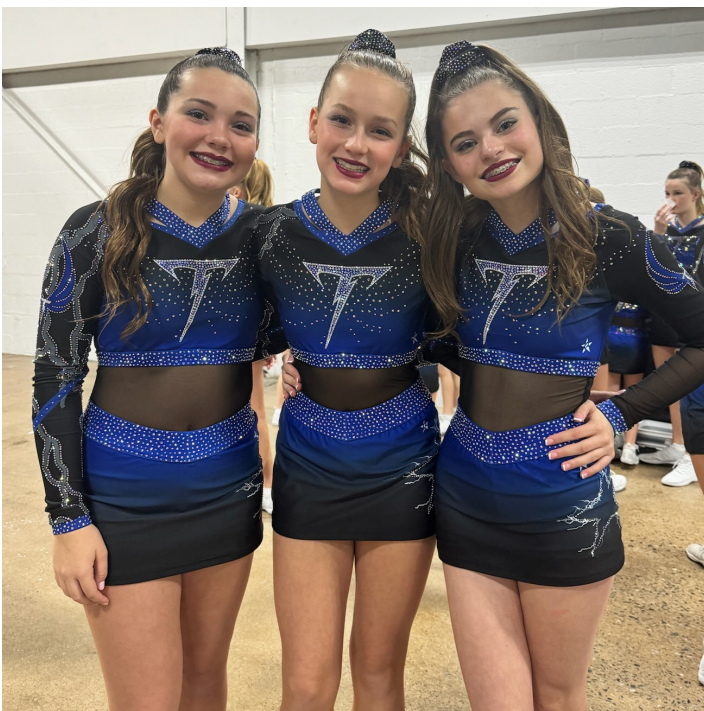
Evaluations for the 2024-2025 cheer season will be May 20-23rd scheduled by individual time slots.

Tryouts will be held at our gym, located at 7 Aaron Way, Sparta, NJ.

LEVELED PRACTICE

During this time, athletes will be given a temporary practice group, to further demonstrate their skills. It is imperative that athletes attend these practices. There will be a mandatory parent meeting to address questions, concerns, and review all expectations for the season. It is essential that both parents and athletes understand and accept their responsibilities and commitments as a member of our program.

A date for this meeting will be given when an athlete is given their practice group after evaluations.





COMMITMENT

All star cheer is an intense sport that requires commitment, hard work, and discipline. Athletes, parents, coaches all play a crucial role in the success for our program.

Commitment starts with parents and follows through to the athletes. The success of each team will depend on the commitment and dedication of each parent and athlete to the team. Please understand that these teams deserve and REQUIRE 100% commitment, and we will not tolerate less than. Athletes that do not demonstrate a full commitment to this program will be removed from the program.

LOYALTY

We ask that since you are making a commitment to this team, you respect our coaches, and trust them to make the best decisions for your team. We understand other

people and facilities will have their own opinions, however, if you are attending our gym, it is expected you abide by our coaches advice, rules, and policies.

Please refrain from joining classes, private lessons, or additional services from other gyms or programs during the season. This includes advertising other coaches, programs, or facilities in person or on social media. Not abiding by this policy could result in dismissal from the program.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance is critical for the success of our teams. Teams can not achieve their full potential unless they have 100% attendance, 100% of the time.

We expect athletes to be punctual and stay for the entirety of events. **All** practices, scheduled choreography, skills camps, and competitions are **mandatory**. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Arriving more than 15 minutes late, or showing up unprepared for practice or competitions will count as an absence. Athletes that are noncompliant with our attendance policy could be removed from the program.

Additional practices may be added at the coach's discretion during competition season.

Cheer is a commitment. Please schedule personal appointments around mandatory practice times. Frequent absences, tardiness, leaving early, or inability to commit, will result in repercussions at the coach's discretion. This may include removal from sections of the routine or athletes being dismissed from the team.

Please note that absences for other sports, after-school activities, homework, and social events are **UNEXCUSED** absences.

ABSENCE POLICY

Full Year athletes are allowed (3) unexcused absences from September 2024-May 2025 which must be submitted and approved by your coach.

You can submit an absence request form via our website no less than 3 weeks in advance.

Absences are not permitted within 1 week of a competition for any reason.

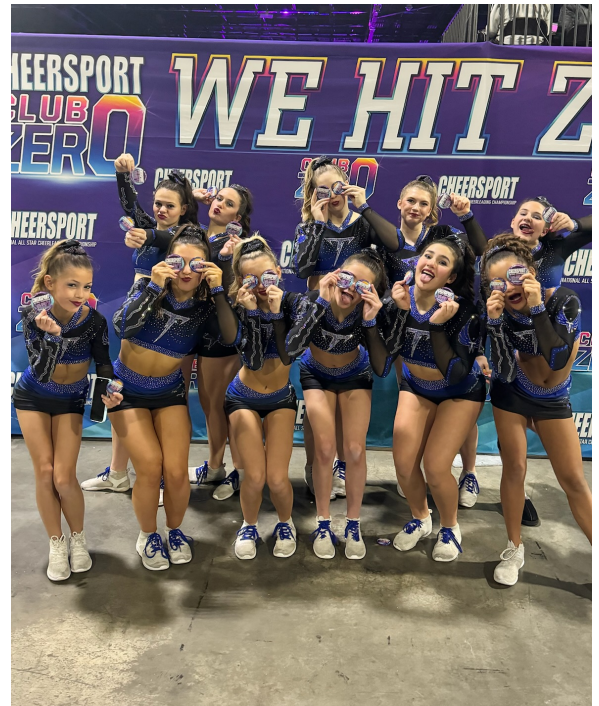
Excused absences are situations where an athlete must miss practice, and the athlete will not be penalized.

Examples of excused absences are:

- Contagious or severe illness
- Temperature over 100 degrees
- Religious Observance
- Mandatory Graded Educational Events
- Death in the Family

Examples of unexcused absences:

- Homework
- Not feeling well or feeling tired
- Part-time jobs
- Being Grounded
- Practice or Games for other sports
- After school activities such as band, choir, TREPS, and other similar events
- Events such as weddings, banquets, recitals



CROSSOVERS

A crossover is an athlete who participates on more than one team in the program. Athletes are not required to crossover. If an athlete is invited to crossover and refuse, the placement of that athlete will be on the team the coaches feel they will best serve, ***not the team they choose!***

Crossing over incurs an additional tuition cost, as well as an additional competition fee.

UNIFORM/ ATTIRE

Athletes will be sized at the start of the season for practice wear, warmups, and uniforms. Athletes are expected wear proper attire to all practices and events. All athletes must have tape, pre wrap, hair ties, and all other accessories in their bag at all practices and competitions.

There will be a uniform resell group on Band. Members must take full responsibility for transactions. Titan Elite will not be affiliated with this group in any way.

TEAMS & PLACEMENT

Team placements are not final, and can change at any time based on an athlete's loss or gain of a skill or needs of a team.

The two factors that determine teams for all star cheer are **age and skill**. **Age** is set in stone and is determined by the athletes birthday by a certain date. **Athletes will be considered first for the youngest age team they qualify for.**

There are 5 age categories in All Star cheer:

- Tiny (aprox. 3-7yrs)
- Mini (aprox. 7-9yrs)
- Youth (aprox. 8-12yrs)
- Junior (aprox. 9-15yrs)
- Senior (aprox. 13-19yrs)

Skill: Skills make up the entirety of a routine. Each level of competition requires a routine to have both a certain type and certain number of skills. (Please refer to the tumble chart below for a better idea.)

Athletes will be placed at a level in which they can best help that team excel. This means they should be able to not only be competent and consistent at multiple tumble skills at this level, but they must also be able to stunt, jump and PERFORM at this level all with proper technique. All routines, choreography, stunt positions, tumble positions, and teams are subject to change at any point. There is no permanent "spot" in a routine. This is a team sport and decisions will always be made to do what is best for the team. Coaches reserve the right to move an athlete to a different team during the season if they do not maintain the appropriate skill level.

An athletes skill in tumbling does not dictate team placement!!

LEVEL	STANDING REQUIRED	STANDING ELITE	RUNNING REQUIRED	RUNNING ELITE
1	-Back Walkover -Front Walkover -Handstand FWR	-Valdez -Switch Leg Walkover -Series Back Walkover	-Cartwheel -Roundoff -Front Walkover -Back Walkover	-Cartwheel BWO -Front Walkover, Cartwheel, Back Walkover
2	-Backhandspring (BHS)	-Back Walkover BHS -T-Jump BHS -BHS-T-Jump-BHS -BHS-Walkover-BHS	-Roundoff BHS -FWO RO BHS	-FWO-Roundoff-BHS Series -Fly Spring RO BHS
3	-Standing 3 BHS -Toe Touch BHS	-BHS-Toe Touch-BHS	-Roundoff BHS Tuck -Roundoff Tuck	-FWO Roundoff-BHS- Tuck -Punchfront -Aerial (Above skills to Roundoff BHS Tuck
4	-Standing Tuck -Standing BHS Tuck -Standing 2 BHS Tuck	-Toe Touch BHS Tuck -Cartwheel Tuck	-Roundoff BHS Layout	-Punch Front Stepout- Roundoff-BHS-Layout -Roundoff-Whip-BHS- Layout -Roundoff BHS-whip- tuck

COMPETITION

The competition schedule will be released approximately September 1st, 2024. Competitions will fall anywhere between December 1-April 30 with post season competitions running as late as May 10-13. We ask that you do not make plans for events or travel until the competition schedule is released.

Elite teams are expected to compete approximately 6-7 times (for elite teams), 5-6 times (prep teams) and 4-5 times (novice teams) plus an end of season event. Athletes are required to attend all competitions. It is possible that competitions may be added or cancelled during the season. We always do our best to keep you informed of any and all competition updates or changes as soon as they happen.

For travel competition, please remember that ***the reason for travel is for competition and not for vacation!*** It is **MANDATORY** for all team members to plan to travel according to the schedule set up by the coaches. DO NOT add extra travel days before or after the itinerary you receive from the coaches. *For example, if the coach sends you a schedule stating that the travel day is Friday, you must travel that Friday, do not plan to leave any day before Friday as there are still practices that are critical for the team.*

COMPETITIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. WHEN BOOKING HOTELS AND FLIGHTS, IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED YOU BOOK A FULLY REFUNDABLE RESERVATION.

For all two day events, please plan to arrive no later than 6 p.m. on Friday evening. We will more than likely be

practicing at the competition venue the night before we compete.

The final competition of the season for elite and prep teams is called an "End of Season Event". This is a big competition at the end of the season that teams must qualify for in order to attend. If a team qualifies for this competition they will attend. Fees for this event are **not included** in your tuition payment, or your competition fee installments. Please see the price list for further information.

TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION

All travel and transportation arrangements are the responsibility of the athlete and their family, and will not be done by the gym. Arrangements must be made according to the event itinerary you receive from the coaches. Hotel links will be provided as soon coaches receive them.

Any additional in-season competition requiring a flight will also incur an additional coaches fee. Prices for this are TBD.



CONDUCT

The code of conduct is to be followed by all parents, athletes, spectators, and anyone else who will be a part of our program. All members must realize that the manner in which they conduct themselves, directly reflects on the entire team.

Being a part of a team comes with great responsibility. Proper and exemplary behavior is mandatory. It is expected to exhibit good sportsmanship and respect for the program, each other, other teams, coaches and the facility at all times. Any pessimistic talk about our coaches, program, or facility will not be tolerated.

An all-star team very often consists of various age groups, and different stresses exist at different ages. Any inappropriate behavior or conversation (by athlete, or parent) will be strictly and swiftly dealt with. There will be a zero tolerance policy for harassment, intimidation, bullying (in person or online) as well as drama between members, verbal altercations, and use of foul language. There will be no verbal assaults or threats to any athlete, coach, or parent. ***Physical altercations of any kind will result any involved athletes immediate ejection from the program.***

Negative statements made to athletes and teammates are corrosive and will not be tolerated. If an issue arises, please speak with a coach directly to discuss and find a resolution for the problem.

There will be no arguing or questioning coaching decisions at any time. They are professionals, and will coach the teams based in the knowledge they have on scoresheets, athlete development and level rules. Personal opinions on practice or routine construction will be unsought and dismissed. Our coaches will make the best decisions for each team.

Cheerleaders understand that teamwork and the maintenance of discipline is the key to the success of the program. Athletes should be enthusiastic and always

have a positive attitude. Negativity in any form from parents or athletes in any form, at any event, will not be tolerated. When you enter the Titan Elite facility, or any event, you are a representative of Titan Elite. Anyone found behaving in a manner that is derogatory to , or engages in rhetoric designed to undermine the Titan Elite program, coaches, or athletes, will be instantly removed from the roster.

Athletes, parents and spectators will conduct themselves in a dignified manner at all events. Alcohol, drugs, tobacco, and vape products are strictly prohibited at the Titan Elite facility and at all events. Any athlete engaging in any illegal activity, or showing up to practice or competition under the influence of alcohol or drugs, will be immediately reported to parents and authorities, and be removed from the team.

If a crossover athlete is involved in a situation which warrants removal from the team, they will be removed from all teams they are involved with.

SOCIAL MEDIA & CELLPHONES

Even when you are not at the gym or in uniform, you are a member of Titan Elite, therefore social media accounts must be appropriate by coaches standards at all times. Foul language, illegal activity, and explicit photos will not be tolerated and will be grounds for dismissal. The same rule applies for cellphones and any personal communication with members of the gym. ***During practices cell phone use is not permitted, nor are phones permitted on the floor at any time.***

EXPECTATIONS

Participation in cheerleading is voluntary, not mandatory. It is a privilege. The manner in which you behave reflects directly on the Titan Elite program. We will not allow the reputation of this program being tarnished by negative behavior. Expectations at our gym include, but are not limited to:

- Athletes are expected to have a positive attitude and display good sportsmanship at all practices, competitions, and events.
- Gossip of any kind or threats to remove an athlete will not be tolerated.
- Conversations about other athletes will not be addressed unless your athlete is affected by another athletes behavior in a negative way.
- Negative behavior is not allowed, including bullying or abusive behavior.
- Any communication regarding our gym, programs, coaches, and members must be done in a considerate manner. **This includes texts, emails, and social media.**



WARNINGS AND CONSEQUENCES

While striving to create a positive nurturing environment, it is important that guidelines are set and followed by all athletes, parents and coaches. It is expected that all members be held accountable for the standards that are set to create this environment. The following consequences will be followed in the event that they are not.

Warnings

- Occasionally late to practice
- Unprepared for practice
- Negative Behavior
- Disrespect for teammates or coaches

Suspension

- Absence policy violation
- Consistently not prepared for practice
- Constantly late for practice
- Consistent negative behavior at practice
- Arriving late or unprepared at competitions

Potential Removal

- Unresolved negativity after unresolved meditation and conversations
- Negative comments about TE on social media
- Athletes or parents threatening to quit
- Continual disrespect for teammates or coaches
- Physical Altercations
- Drug/Alcohol/Vape Use
- Illegal Activity
- Outstanding Account Balance

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

Installments for the season will be broken up to cover choreography, uniforms, and practice wear.

2024-2025 INSTALLMENTS

June 15	Choreography
July 15	Uniform/Practice Wear
August 15	Comp Fee #1
October 15	Comp Fee #2
November 15	Comp Fee #3
January 15	Comp Fee #4

The following are **not** included in the installments or tuition fees.

- Practice Apparel
- Backpacks
- Sneakers
- Competition Apparel and Accessories
- Uniforms
- Hair Accessories, including bows
- Makeup
- Additional Tumbling Classes
- Additional Fly Away Events
- US Finals/Regional Summit/ The One/The Summit Fees:
Including, but not limited to:
- Coaches Fees: *Practice and competition sessions, travel expenses, lodging, meals, etc*
- Choreography Upgrades
- Banquet Fees

PAYMENT INFORMATION

This season we will be using a new system to process all payments. All families will be required to set up a family portal on JackRabbit. The link to the parent portal can be found on the Titan Elite Homepage. Tuition and installments will be due on the 15th of each month. Please see the attached payment schedule. **IT IS**

MANDATORY TO HAVE A CREDIT CARD ON FILE EVEN IF PAYING BY CASH OR CHECK.

Cash or check will be the **only** other acceptable payment methods. Cash and checks will only be accepted in the **FULL** amount due, and must be received by 15th of each month (**10th if paying by cash or check**). Checks can be made out to TITAN ELITE. Please use include your athletes name, team, and what your payment is for. (EX. Nicole Mueller/Immortals: November Tuition) Payments are ONLY to be dropped off into the black TITAN mailbox in the lobby. Installment payments will follow the schedule attached.



Please see your account to view all other items and due dates.

If the payment is not received by the due date, your athlete will not be allowed to practice until your account is made current. Missed practice for an outstanding balance will count as an unexcused absence.

You will be charged a \$25 late fee for each outstanding payment **each** month, starting one day after the payment due date. Accounts with 3 or more months outstanding balances will be asked to leave the program.

Accounts must be up to date to be eligible to participate in any classes, clinics, private lessons, or special events.

ALL PAYMENT QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS MUST ONLY BE BROUGHT TO SAM.

In person, phone: 973-567-9902, Band@SamHavens or titanelite19@gmail.com

SPONSORSHIPS

Please see the office for sponsorship forms. Business complete the form and attach a check made out to Titan Elite LLC.

FUNDRAISING

All fundraising will be done through our booster club, Titan Spark Igniters. All accounts must be current with Titan Elite before any funds may be applied anywhere else. Should you choose to leave the program during the season, all fundraising money will be sacrificed to Titan Elite.



The board members work together to oversee the management of the organization. They make decisions for the benefit of all the athletes and will work closely with Team Parent Reps to ensure that communication is distributed to all families in a timely manner and all athletes and families are offered the opportunity to participate in fundraising and team building. Our goal is to put out monthly fundraising opportunities that will benefit athletes individual accounts as well as group fundraising which will be used for team bonding events, send off parties, and gifts for athletes. There will be a \$25 fee for all families interested in joining the booster club. More detailed information regarding this exciting new opportunity will be sent out to families whom choose to participate. For more information please contact: TSIBclub@gmail.com

TITAN SPARK IGNITERS

Titan Sparks Igniter Booster Club (TSI) is a board made up of parents whose children are enrolled in the Titan Elite cheer program. TSI was formed to help foster team bonding through group events as well as providing individual fundraising opportunities to our athletes. The inclusive role of the board members is to lead TSI to fulfilling its mission.





LOGO USE

All Titan Elite name, logos, graphics, symbols, icons, ect may not appear on or in publication on any apparel, product, or materials without permission granted. We request that families respect this request, and do not produce or replicate designs with our trademark rights. The use of any Titan Elite branding will not be permitted without approval, and will be considered unlawful if done so. We do not allow items to use our name or logo for personal profit of any item.

Requests for logo usage can be submitted on our website. *There will be a charge of \$20 per use.*

PHOTO USE

Unless you specifically state otherwise, all athletes' images and photos are subject to use on the website and in any future advertising.

WITHDRAWAL

Withdrawals from our program after August 1, 2024 will incur a charge of \$500. Monthly tuition will no longer be charged, however you will be held responsible to pay the withdrawal fee. This fee is to cover costs for pre planned competition costs and investments for our

teams. No refunds will be given. All fundraising money will be sacrificed to Titan Elite.

COMMUNICATIONS

Please check your Band, email, social media, our website, and often!

Website: WWW.TITANELITE.NET

Facebook: Titan Elite

Instagram @ titan_elite_allstars

BAND APP

Our primary method of communication will be through the Band app, available from the app store. There will be a collective TITAN ELITE 2024-2025 GROUP, AS WELL AS AN INDIVIDUAL TEAM GROUPS. At least one adult per athlete **MUST** have the band app. Once downloaded, they will receive a link inviting them to their athlete's "**band**". **PLEASE be sure notifications are turned on at all times!**



QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

We understand that questions and issues do arise and need to be addressed. *However, coaches are NOT available to field these concerns immediately before, during or after practice OR COMPETITIONS!* All issues should first be brought up privately via the **Band** app or email: titanelite19@gmail.com. Coaches need time to process and discuss routines after a competition. Please allow 24 hours to pass before you ask us to address your concerns. If there is something we feel you need to know, you will be told immediately.

TITAN ELITE ALL STARS COMMITMENT FORM

I, _____ Parent/Guardian of (*Print name of parent/legal guardian*)
_____ (*Print name of team member*) and agree to the following:

_____ I have read/received a copy of the parent handbook/contract available to me and online.

_____ I understand and accept the responsibility of being a member of Titan and part of a cheer team and understand the commitment for both athlete and parent.

_____ I understand the coaches make the best decisions for my athlete and will be respectful.

_____ I understand as a member I will have loyalty to Titan and will not attend or speak of or participate in other gyms or programs for the duration of this season.

_____ I understand all rules apply to communications, including conversation and social media.

_____ I understand there will only be 3 unexcused absences allowed and will be charged each additional absence.

_____ I understand it is mandatory to have a credit card on file.

_____ I also understand and agree that as a parent/guardian signing the contract; I am solely responsible for monthly tuition and all fees on the 15th, installment fees, competition fees, insurance/ registration fees, USASF Fees, as well as any additional fees if applicable such as uniform, warmup, bows, t-shirts, makeup, etc. All fees/monies once paid are non- refundable.

_____ I understand that I am subject to a late fee charge of \$25.00 after the 15th of the month. *Excessive tardiness in payments will be grounds for dismissal and my account balance will be sent to a professional collection agency in Sussex County. Signee is responsible for any court and legal fees applied. Any legal collection proceedings will be filed in Sussex County.*

_____ I understand that the all star season begins with tryouts in May, and ends with the last tuition for the month of April and/or Regional Summit/Varsity D2 Summit. If I choose to leave or am dismissed from the program prior to the end date in April/May, I am subject to any fees or balances charged/owed to my account prior my leaving or dismissal date, and a \$500 withdrawal fee.

_____ I understand the above rules and stipulations and agree to authorize Titan Elite All Star Cheerleading to charge the credit card and/or bank check card that I have provided.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

2024-2025 FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

Athletes Name: _____ Team: _____

Payment Information

Name on Credit Card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVC: _____ Zip Code: _____

Billing Address: _____ Email: _____

**All athletes that are a member of Titan Elite MUST provide a credit card to have on file,
NO EXCEPTION**

*By signing below, I agree to enroll my athlete in the Titan Elite program for the 2024-2025 season. I have read the commitment and agree to pay all fees according to the due dates in this program. I acknowledge and fully understand the financial obligations that come with enrolling my athlete in this program, and agree to pay **all** fees.*

_____ I hereby authorize Titan Elite LLC you charge the credit card I have on file.

_____ I understand I will be charged \$25 for every additional absence (after 3 unexcused)

_____ I understand that if I withdraw from the program, I will be charged a \$500.00 withdrawal fee.

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

TITAN ELITE ALL STARS CALENDAR

2024-2025

Dates are not finalized, and are subject to change

EVALUATION WEEK <i>(Athletes will attend 1 designated evaluation slot)</i>	May 20-23
LEVELED PRACTICES BEGIN	May 28
GYM CLOSED	July 22-26
TEAM REVEAL	June 28
SKILLS CAMP- MANDATORY (Athletes will have 4 hours of camp over 2 days)	TBD
SUMMER PRACTICE BEGINS	July 1
CHOREOGRAPHY WEEK-MANDATORY (Athletes will have approximately 12 hours of choreography over 2 or 3 days)- Choreography dates for each team will be in team reveal packets.	Prep/Novice: August 8-13 Elite: August 19-24
FALL TEAM PRACTICE BEGINS	September 3
THANKSGIVING BREAK	November 28-December 1
PROGRAM SHOWCASE	TBD (Early December)
HOLIDAY BREAK	December 24-January 1
HOLIDAY PROGRAM SLEEPOVER	TBD
SPRING BREAK	TBD
REGIONAL SUMMIT SHOWCASE	TBD
REGIONAL SUMMIT	TBD
YOUTH SUMMIT SHOWCASE	April 22
YOUTH SUMMIT	April 24-25
D2 SUMMIT SHOWCASE	May 6
D2 SUMMIT	May 9-11

Depending on competition schedule, we may practice during holiday/spring break. Practice Times will be different than normal days/times.

Please keep in mind ALL dates are subject to change!!

ALL CAMPS AND CHOREOGRAPHY SESSIONS WILL BE CLOSED TO SPECTATORS.