

# **Evaluation Info**



## **Tryout Fee:**

Returning All Star Athletes: FREE if turned in on or before April 20<sup>th</sup>

New Athletes: \$25 if turned in on or before April 20<sup>th</sup>

\$75 if turned in after April 20<sup>th</sup> for ANY Athlete

These dates are strictly enforced, no exceptions.

## An athlete must attend ONLY ONE of the Tryout Evaluation Days.

Birth Year	Date	Time	Date	Time
2017-2011	May 22	4:30-6:30pm	May 24	4:30-6:30pm
2010-2004	May 23	4:30-6:30pm	May 24	4:30-6:30pm
Express Pass	May 21	2:00pm- 6:00pm	-	-

Flyer Tryouts [Tryouts are an additional \$25]	Date	Time
New Athletes	May 25	4:30-6:30pm
Returning All Star Athletes	May 25	6:30pm-8:00pm

Private Tryout Prices: \$50 if Paid in Full by April 20<sup>th</sup> or \$100 after April 20<sup>th</sup> Private Flyer Tryout \$50

New Teams Will Begin Practice on June 5<sup>th</sup> Special note: The viewing area will be closed during evaluations.

## **Evaluation Process**

Candidates will learn a short routine which will be on the Express Cheer Website and perform it to the best of their ability. They will then have an opportunity to show any different running tumbling passes, standing tumbling or jumps that they would like us to see.

Athletes will have a chance to show us everything we need to see during the evaluation process. We have many different team levels at Express. Therefore, if your child has all the required skills, we will find a place for them on a team.

Some athletes may not be ready for the structure that is mandatory in our practices. These cheerleaders will be offered a position in our All-Star Prep program - IMPACT.

<u>Just because you can perform certain tumbling skills does not guarantee a spot on a specific team</u>. Express is looking for strong motions, jumps, choreography, a strong work ethic, and an all-around athlete.

## **Announcement of Teams**

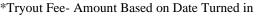
Athletes will receive an email with a link to the All-Star Team Reveal Video. The Team Reveal Video will be released the week of May 29<sup>th.</sup>

Athletes will receive an e-mail with further information by Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Teams will begin practice the week of June 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **Pricing**

	1st Athlete	2 <sup>nd</sup> Athlete	Male Athletes	Payment Due Date
All Star Down Payment *	\$355	\$308	\$205	Due with Packet
June **	\$355	\$308	\$205	June 1
July	\$355	\$308	\$205	June 20 <sup>th</sup>
August	\$355	\$308	\$205	July 20th
September ***	\$355	\$308	\$205	August 20 <sup>th</sup>
October	\$355	\$308	\$205	September 20 <sup>th</sup>
November	\$355	\$308	\$205	October 20th
December	\$355	\$308	\$205	November 20 <sup>th</sup>
January	\$355	\$308	\$205	December 20 <sup>th</sup>
February	\$355	\$308	\$205	January 20th
March	\$355	\$308	\$205	February 20th
April	\$355	\$308	\$205	March 20th



<sup>\*\*</sup>Practice Wear - \$150

#### Everyone MUST enroll in our Auto Pay Program!

All Star Down Payment is due at the time of turning in the packet,

this includes May payment (Competition Fees, Choreography and Music Fees, Uniform Rental) along with the Registration Fee (if needed).

All payments must be made prior to each athlete's first Try Out Evaluation.

All Star Athletes may add a tumbling or specialty skills class for a 10% discount.

**Tuition includes:** Uniform Rental Fee, Monthly Team Tuition, Competition Fees, Choreography/ Music Fees, and **All Star Tumble Class.** 

**Not included:** USASF Membership (Approximately \$50), Registration Fee (\$40), Practice Wear (\$150), Competition Bow (\$25), End of Season Event Fee (Includes Sports Bra, Spanks, Tank Top, and Coaches Travel \$250)

All teams will compete at a minimum of one out of town event; you will be responsible for travel, lodging, meals, etc.

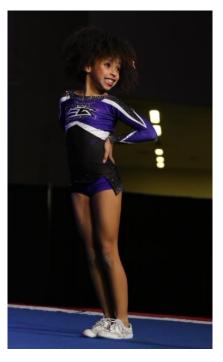
**Late Try Outs:** Any athlete who joins Express Cheer after Try Outs will be required to pay back due monthly installment of Squad Fees. These Squad Fees cover Uniform Rental Fee, Competition Fees, Choreography and Music Fees.

\$235 per month May – August

\$200 per month September – December

\$150 per month January – April

Express is a 12-month program. All financial obligations must be paid in full by March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Tuition payments are due on the 20<sup>th</sup> prior to each month.



<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Competition Bow- \$25

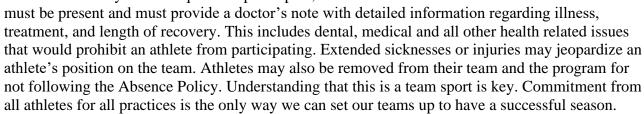
## **Absences**

### **Absence Policy**

Unexcused absences must be approved by a member of Express Cheer Staff at least two weeks prior to the date of the absence(s). No unexcused absence will be allowed at any practice that involves choreography. An excused absence is limited to mandatory school functions for a grade, death in the family or contagious illness (fever, vomiting, diarrhea). Exceeding the 2 allowed unexcused absence will put your athlete's position on the team in jeopardy at the coach's discretion. Missing practice for any other reason than those listed above will result in an unexcused absence. This includes but is not limited to: homework, no ride. work, cotillion, etc. All other sports that conflict with Express practices are NOT EXCUSED. Due to the size of the commitment, we do not allow our all-stars to participate in any other sports or activities that will cause numerous or ongoing conflicts with practices or competitions. Athletes who are late or miss practice may be required to condition at the following practice.

An Absence Request Form must be submitted TWO weeks prior to the absence. All absence requests submitted less than two weeks prior to the absence will be unexcused. Forms are located in the lobby and in our document section on our website. We will verify with school administrators or the school if we think someone is being dishonest. Be prepared to show documentation for absences. NO absences are permitted the week of an event, excused or unexcused.

All athletes must attend practice even when they are sick. Athletes may not be required to participate, but



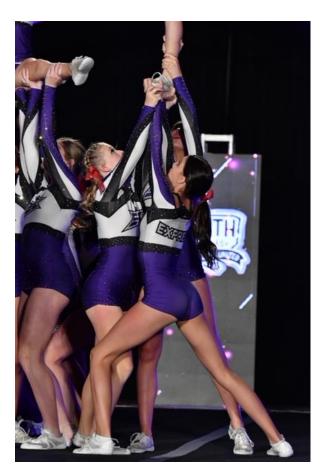
#### **Summer Absence Policy**

Athletes are allowed up to 4 absences (that is two weeks) for family vacations during the months of June -August 13<sup>th</sup>. However, athletes cannot miss choreography sessions. Absences may be in conjunction with any of the listed summer breaks, please plan accordingly. Additional absences will jeopardize an athlete's placement, in sections of the routine and their place on their prospective team.

#### **Competition Absence Policy**

Do not plan family vacation or trips during or around competitions, if you have done so you must inform Express Cheer in writing before you are admitted onto a team. Understand that this is team sport and that if one person is missing, it is basically a waste of time for everyone else. Missing or skipping practices jeopardized your athlete's roll on the team.

NO ABSENCE WILL BE ALLOWED ONE WEEK PRIOR TO A REGIONAL EVENT OR TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO A NATIONAL'S EVENT. Missing a practice during these weeks may result in the athlete being moved to an alternate position or being dismissed from the team.



## **Code of Conduct:**

It is understood that Express Cheer reserves the right to dismiss an athlete from any practice or remove them from a team if their behavior is deemed inappropriate.

A member of Express Cheer must be a strong representative at all times. We expect that you will keep your social media clean and family friendly at all times. Remember you are a direct reflection of Express Cheer. If you are caught demonstrating abusive behavior, lying, or any form of negative behavior it will be grounds for removal. Express Cheer will not tolerate gossiping, pettiness, back talking or any disrespect to teammates or instructors. After warning a team member, a parent will be notified of the problem. If the issue is not resolved it will be grounds for removal.

Please be aware that inappropriate displays of behavior FROM PARENTS to office staff, instructors, athletes or other parents at events or inside Express Cheer can also result in removal of athletes from teams.

The use of Spirit Athletics LLC, Express Cheer DBA or any other subsidiary of our companies is strictly prohibited. It is prohibited to use our name in emails, social media formats, apparel, or other promotional material. No portion of our routines, music, dances, stunts, transitions, etc., should ever be used in any forum outside of our program.



## **All Star Info:**

Tuition does not pay for the right to perform or compete. Failure to pay tuition by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month will result in athletes sitting out of practice. If you are carrying a balance on your account, your athlete will not be able to take additional classes or private lessons until your team tuition has been paid. There are NO Refunds.

Individuals must continue to meet the skill level requirements. If an athlete is not able to perform the necessary skills required for their level, they will

be required to enroll in a tumbling or specialty class. Any athlete who refuses to perform required skills for their level may be sent home at the discretion of the coaching staff. We will not allow athletes to progress without proper technique. If you do not agree with or understand our training methods, then you should not cheer at Express Cheer. Only perfected skills will be choreographed into routines.

#### **Practices**

All practices are closed to boyfriends/girlfriends and athletes from other gyms. Practices will be closed during January and February. One week prior to regional competitions and two weeks prior to national competitions, parents will be asked to follow a drop off policy. Cells phones will be taken up at the beginning of practices. No jewelry will be worn at practices. There is no videotaping or recording of practice. Lost, misplaced, or damaged clothing will be replaced at your expense. Any athlete late or dressed incorrectly will condition at the end of practice. Remember we are training champions and teaching responsibility.

#### **Team Rep**

Most communication is done through email, posted on social media and dispensed by our Team Reps. It is your responsibility to make sure your online account is current and that your contact information is up to date with your Team Rep.



## 2023-2024 Important Dates

Please Check ALL CLOSING Dates Carefully

We will have practice The Sunday after Thanksgiving November 26<sup>th</sup> and

Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup> -Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup>

ALL ATHELTES WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE AT THESE PRACTICES

Important Events and Closing Dates:

May 29<sup>th</sup> – June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Gym Closed
June 5<sup>th</sup> – Summer Practices Begin
July 3<sup>rd</sup>- 14<sup>th</sup> – Closed for 4<sup>th</sup> of July
TBD- Mandatory Choreography
August 13<sup>th</sup> – Fall Practices Start
September 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Labor Day
October 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Fall Break
November 19<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Thanksgiving Break
November 26<sup>th</sup> – TEAM PRACTICES RESUME
December 22<sup>nd</sup>- January 6<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Winter Break
January 3<sup>rd</sup> – TEAM PRACTICES RESUME
March 10<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Spring Break
March 18<sup>th</sup> – TEAM PRACTICES RESUME
March 29<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> – Closed for Easter

#### **Competition Dates:**

November  $11^{th}$  or  $12^{th}$  – NTGU Fall - Garland, TX December  $2^{nd}$  &  $3^{rd}$  – Spirit Celebration - Dallas TX January  $13^{th}$  &  $14^{th}$  – JAMFEST Super Nationals - Indianapolis, IN January  $20^{th}$  or  $21^{st}$  – Express Fest - Frisco, TX February  $10^{th}$  &  $11^{th}$  – NTGU Mega Nationals- Irving, TX March  $1^{st}$  –  $3^{rd}$  – NCA Nationals - Dallas, TX April  $6^{th}$  or  $7^{th}$  – NTGU Spring - Denton, TX

 $End of Season Events\\ (Teams must earn bids to these events)\\ April 18^{th} - 21^{st} - All Star Worlds - Orlando FL\\ May 3^{rd} - 5^{th} - The Summit - Orlando FL$ 

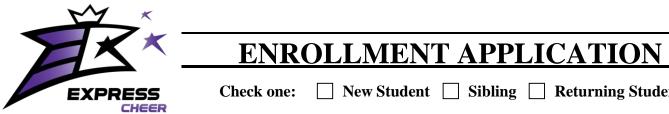
Please remember that these dates are tentative. Practices and Events can be added, deleted or substituted without notice.



# **Try Out Form**

Athlete's Name:	Birth Year:
Parent's Email:	
Athlete's Email:	
Athlete's Cell #:	
Date of Birth:	
Grade:	
School:	
Do You cheer for your Scho	
If yes, Which Squad	
Circle the level Video you w	ill be performing
Level 1 Le	evel 2
Level 3 Level	vel 4/5
If your athlete makes a team, but choose not to accept	the position, there will be no refund.
Returning All Star Athletes P	Please Initial One:
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I will be Attending Tryouts and Perfo	orming a Higher-Level Tryout
**All returning athletes who are looking to Level Up MUST	Try Out.

If you choose not to try out you will NOT be placed on a lower level than what you are currently on. If you are currently on a Level 2 Team and are wishing to Level Up to 4.2 you MUST Attend Tryouts and Perform the Level 2 Tryout Routine.



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	City, S	tate, Zip Code		Email Address	
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I understand an enrollment fee of \$40 per student (maximum of \$80 per family) is due on each anniversary date of enrollment. Class Make Ups must be arranged by contacting the main office staff or the online portal. Make Ups are not guaranteed and are available only if there are class openings. To qualify for make ups, students must be actively enrolled in classes and/or programs. Furthermore, I agree to contact the office staff in writing, in person, by phone or via the online portal to change or withdraw from class.					
given up substantial rights b	y signing it and hav	LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, INDEMNITY AG e signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance ved by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is	of any nature	and intend it to be a comple	ete and unconditiona
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## **Acceptance of Terms & Conditions**

Please take a moment and read carefully to ensure that you fully understand the time and financial commitment required for Express. You will need to initial each section and sign at the bottom of the page.

	I understand that I will forfeit any monies paid if I choose to leave a team or are asked to leave the program. I also understand that I am entering into the Express program of my own free will. There are NO REFUNDS!
	You must advise your coach in advance if your child will be arriving late or leaving early from practices.
	If a student is injured or sick and not contagious, they are required to attend practice, not participate.
	Express athletes are required to attend all practices. If habitual absences occur; athletes may be removed from the team without notice and no refund will be provided. Also, please note that if an athlete misses practices the week prior to a performance, regional or local competition, and/or two weeks prior to a national competition it is at the discretion of Express and its coaches whether or not they perform.
	An excused absence is limited to mandatory school functions for a grade, death in the family or contagious illness. Missing practice for any other reason other than the four listed previously will also result in an UNEXCUSED absence. This includes, but is not limited to:  Too much home work / studying (please plan ahead)  Don't have a ride (again, please plan ahead)  Work
	<ul><li>♦ School Sports</li><li>♦ Cotillion</li></ul>
	Express athletes are required to attend all competitions. Everyone will receive a competition schedule and if you cannot attend the competitions, then you should not join the team.
	Tuition does not pay for the right to perform. Individuals must continue to meet the skill level requirements. Failure to pay tuition will result in an athlete sitting out of practice.
	It is understood that Express reserves the right to move your child to another team during the season and/or dismiss an athlete from any practice or remove them from a team if their behavior or parents' behavior is deemed inappropriate. In the instance that an athlete quits or gets dismissed from a team, a \$750 cancellation fee will be processed immediately.
	Please be aware that inappropriate displays of behavior from parents can also result in removal of athletes from teams. This applies in all situations. Including, but are not limited to: practices, performances and competitions.
	I understand that team practices cannot be made up and in the event that practices are cancelled or there are global or local events out of the control of Spirit Athletics LLC (DBA – Express Cheer & Dance) or its subsidiaries, that limit our ability to provide services, I will be responsible for the duration of my contract and Spirit Athletics LLC (DBA – Express Cheer & Dance) or its subsidiaries will do everything in their power to provide substitute services and to make each family/customer whole.
I,	(parent), understand, accept, and agree to all of the nditions within the Express Cheer Evaluation Packet.
Signature	Date

# **Payment Contract Agreement**

Student's Name						
Parent's Name:_						
Phone Number:			E-Mail Add	ress:		
Home Address:_			City:	State:_	Zip:	
(parent's initials)	I acknowledge that, under the terms of this Agreement, the above-named student will be charged a registration fee once a year and all tuition will be payable on the 20 <sup>th</sup> of each month prior. If fees are not paid on time, I acknowledge that late fees will be charged.					
(parent's initials)	Tuition does not change based on the number or length of practices in any month.					
(parent's initials)	RELIEVE M UPON, AND PAID SHAL further acknowledge	It is also acknowledged that FAILURE TO ATTEND PRACTICES WILL NOT RELIEVE ME OF ANY OBLIGATIONS TO PAY THE TUITON AGREED UPON, AND THAT NO REFUNDS OR MAKE-UP CLASSES FOR TUITON PAID SHALL BE MADE FOR NON-ATTENDANCE OR WITHDRAWAL. I further acknowledge that I will be required to pay for all uniform pieces, and trips and expenses not included in Express tuition.				
(parent's initials)	I further acknowledge that under the payment plan, if I withdraw my athlete for any reason, I may be responsible for additional fees. All resignations must be received in writing.					
(parent's initials)	I understand that if my athlete is no longer a part of an Express Cheer team for any reason, their uniform will need to be returned within one week of their resignation. If it is not returned, I will be charged the full price of the uniform.					
(parent's initials)	In addition, I understand by signing this page, I give Express the right to run the credit card on file for any outstanding balance on the 1 <sup>st</sup> of each month, or for the cancellation fee of \$750.					
(parent's initials)	I understand that carrying a balance on my account will hinder my athlete from taking additional classes or private lessons until team tuition has been paid. In addition, if monthly tuition is not paid by the 1 <sup>st</sup> of each month, my athlete will sit out of practice until the account is current.					
(parent's initials)	I acknowledge the monthly tuition does not include any additional charges (late interest, penalties, unbilled attorneys' fees, etc.) upon signing this agreement I agree to pay additional charges or fees which are incurred if it becomes necessary to collect the amount referenced in agreement.					
(parent's initials)	I understand that if any installment is late or missed, Express Cheer reserves the right to continue with the collections process and take whatever action is deemed necessary to recover the full amount of debt including but not limited to cancellation of this agreement and/or exclusion of your child from participation in all Express Cheer related activities.					
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Parent/Guardian Si	gnature	Date	P	articipant Sign	ature	Date



## **Authorization Agreement for Collections**

(Name) hereby authorize Express Cheer to automatically bill my credit
card/bank account my athlete's monthly tuition and any and all fees associated with his/her classes/squad. All requested information is required. Each month, your credit card /bank account will be billed for the amount indicated and your charges will appear on your statement. Any athlete/parent who wishes to change or cease payments entirely from the automatic payment system <b>must notify Express Cheer in writing no less than 2 weeks prior to the automatic debit date</b> . It is the cardholder's responsibility to maintain the correct information. We acknowledge that the origination of transactions to our account must comply with the provisions of the U.S. law. <b>Please note that you are required to put both forms of payment on file.</b> You may check the type of payment you would like us to first process. Express reserves the right to process the second form of payment if your primary payment is declined.
Monthly Tuition is due on or before the 20 <sup>th</sup> prior to each month.
A late fee of \$20 will be assessed for payments received after the 1st of each month unless prior arrangements have been made.
<u>Customer Information:</u>
Name:
Athlete's Name:
Credit Card Information Please use this as my primary payment.
Account Number: Exp. Date: Security Code:
Billing Address associated with credit card:
Town: Zip:
Bank Account Information Please use this as my primary payment.
Name on Account
Name of the Banking Institution
Routing Number
Account Number
I authorize, Express Cheer to automatically charge my credit card/bank account on file in the amount due, each month. I understand that my payment is to be withdrawn on the 20 <sup>th</sup> of each month prior.
Signature Date:



# ABSENCE REQUEST FORM

NAME OF ATHLETE:		DATE:
TEAM:		
REQUESTING TO BE ABSEN	VT:	
MONTH:	DAY:	TIME:
SCHOOL ACTIVITY:		
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YES - OR - NO		
IS SO WHICH PART?		
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ATHLETE'S SIGNATURE		PARENT'S SIGNAURE
COACHES NAME		COACHES SIGNAURE
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