



Infinity Cheer & Tumbling  
2019-2020

**Classic Cheer Team Packet**

Dear Parent and Athlete,

First, welcome to Infinity Cheer & Tumbling's All-Star Cheerleading Program. We are delighted that you have chosen to be a part of our cheer family. Outside of training amazing athletes, we pride ourselves on developing great adults as well. Our goal each day is to teach our athletes values of commitment, hard work, integrity, leadership, self-confidence, positive attitude and a love for the sport! Each and every family is important to our program and us. We invite you to come and see what it is like to be a part of the "Infinity Nation".

This packet of information is designed to help you understand the commitments and requirements both parents and athletes make when they decide to become a part of our ICT family. Please read it thoroughly and do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

### **Age Guidelines**

Teams are placed first by age and then by skill level. We will sometimes combine 2 age groups to make one team.

Totally Tiny 3-6  
Mini 7-8  
Youth 9-11  
Junior 12-14

### **All-Star Cheerleading Overview**

All-star cheerleading is a competitive team sport incorporating skills from gymnastics, dance, stunting and Cheer. All-star cheerleading teams do not cheer for other sports teams; they are the team!

### **Team Placement Dates**

May 17th-19th

Things to Bring to Team Placement  
¥ Registration Fee  
¥ Birth Certificate  
¥ Headshot (casual snapshot/selfie)  
¥ Parent Driver's License  
¥ Debit/Credit Card

### **Classic Program**

ICT offers a new and exciting program for cheerleaders. This program is for children ages 3-14 who are looking for an introduction into the all-star cheerleading world. Athletes will enjoy lighter time and financial commitments than our standard teams. These cheerleaders will perform at local (Example: Nashville, TN, Clarksville, TN) competitions. As per USASF rules, these cheerleaders will perform a 1.5-minute routine packed with jumps, stunts, tumbling and dance. Classic teams will compete in the novice division at competitions.

## **Infinity “Team” Policy**

Members of ICT agree to put their team ahead of the individual athlete. Our motto is Program > Team > Individual. If it is in the best interest of the program, an athlete or coach may be moved from one team to another team in age or level appropriate divisions. Please be mindful of the fact that routine positions are always fluid and never absolutely “set in stone”.

## **ICT Staff, Athletes, and Parents**

### **USASF Certified Gym**

The mission of the United States All Star Federation (USASF) is "to support and enrich the lives of our All Star athletes and members. We provide consistent rules, strive for a safe environment for our athletes, drive competitive excellence, and promote a positive image for the sport." Each athlete within the ICT program will be required to become a member of the USASF. More information can be found at [www.usasf.net](http://www.usasf.net).

### **Athlete’s Commitment**

#### **Practice**

Teams will practice 1 day per week for 1 hour. Each cheerleader will also take an additional level appropriate tumbling class. Championships are won at practice, not competitions. We expect ALL team members to be at every practice.

If there is a need for extra practices during the year, we will inform you as soon as it becomes necessary. These are generally during the competition season. Practices are **CLOSED** to spectators. Spectators are allowed to be in the lobby/viewing area the first and the last 10 minutes of practice.

Until Choreography, athletes may wear whatever they wish to practice. Athletes must wear the designated team practice uniform all year beginning at choreography camp. If an athlete does not have on the correct practice uniform, he or she is required to purchase the correct practice gear and it will be charged to your ICT account. This will begin during your scheduled choreography.

### **Choreography Camps**

All teams are required to participate in our choreography camp where we learn our routine for the season. Our choreography camps are scheduled for August 1st-4th, 2019.

### **Vacations:**

Attendance at practice is critical to your athlete’s progress and integral to the success of the team. Athletes should be at practice during the summer season. However, summer practices are designed to accommodate family vacations, mission trips and various camps. We recommend any vacations or trips to happen before choreography camp August 1st-4th.

## **Attendance & Absences**

Attendance is crucial to the success of the team. All missed practices must be documented in writing. Absences will be documented beginning with choreography camp through the end of the competition season (Choreography-May 2020). We do understand that there may be conflicts, however, we ask you to let the coaches know by completing the absentee request form. This form can be found at the front desk.

Practices are mandatory the week prior to a competition. No absence is excused. If an athlete misses a practice during this time, they may forfeit their opportunity to compete and no refunds will be given. No exceptions.

Missing a competition will result in immediate dismissal from the program. Attendance is MANDATORY for all practices, competitions, and any other Infinity Cheer & Tumbling related events. We do not have make-ups for any missed practices. There will be no pro-rated monthly tuition or fees because of vacations, absences or dismissal.

## **Practice Rules**

- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Proper practice gear must be worn.
- Female athletes should style hair in a high ponytail.
- Male athletes should have hair out of face.
- Cell phones must remain on silent and stay in your bag.
- Bags should be left in the cubbies
- No jewelry; it's a safety issue.
- No food or drinks allowed in the gym except water.
- All cheerleaders should bring a water bottle to every practice.
- We are honored to work with your children and we do not take that task lightly. Please also understand that participation in the program is a choice and a privilege. Any parent or athlete who displays negative behavior or is counter-productive to the overall success of the program can be dismissed from the program at any time without warning.

## **Competition Rules**

- On competition day, you should arrive early to give yourself plenty of time.
- Parents should sit in an area with other ICT families. This makes it easier for the athletes to keep their schedules and build team spirit. These events are all day events, plan your calendar accordingly.
- Each athlete is required to have a suitable chaperone at all competitions and appearances.
- Information regarding arrival time, performance time, etc., will be emailed out as soon as the information becomes available. This is typically sent on the Thursday prior to the event.
- Athletes will arrive on time and ready to compete based on the ICT schedule. It is not the responsibility of ICT staff to do hair, make-up, etc.
- When the entire team has checked in and is competition ready, the coaches will then take them to warmups. This may be earlier than listed on the master schedule.
- Parents and other spectators are not allowed in the warm-up room at any competition for any reason.

- When athletes meet for awards, they should be in full uniform including shoes and bow.
- All athletes must attend their award ceremony at every competition.
- If you are not present at awards, you will forfeit any awards and prizes you may win.
- Remember that you represent Infinity Cheer & Tumbling at all times. Any unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. This rule applies to athletes, parents and fans.
- Neither parents nor athletes shall contact competition companies. All questions or concerns must be directed to ICT.
- Any Prizes, Bids or Monies won at a competition belong to the gym
- Good sportsmanship, polite manners and a kind disposition are essential at all competitions. ICT prides itself on setting a high standard of behavior. This includes respecting your coaches, team parents and other competitors. Show class, have pride and display character.

### **Dress Code**

#### **Athletes**

Athletes have a few options that may be worn during competition. 1-4 below are acceptable things to be worn at any competitions.

1. Full Uniform
2. Official ICT Warmup
3. ICT Team Jersey
4. Official ICT t-shirt and matching pants/shorts
  1. Please have hair completed BEFORE your meet time
  2. Cheer shoes should be worn the entire time. No flip flops, Uggs, boots, etc,
  3. No jewelry is permitted at competition.

#### **ICT Cheer or Fan Apparel**

1. All ICT apparel should be ordered through the ICT Pro shop.
2. To protect the integrity of our brand, no parent or athlete is permitted to use ICT logos without permission from the owner.
  1. This includes but is not limited to: team names, mascot, logos, ICT logo or any gym initials.
  2. If you have an apparel idea, please submit them to the owner.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

In order to have a great season, communication is very important. All information about times for competitions & events, extra practices, monthly calendars, and other gym events will be posted and updated weekly through email. Email is our main source of communication. You may also find updates and details by way of the other forms of communication listed below.

Email- This is our main source of communication. We email all information such as camps, calendars, and schedules. Please be sure to provide a valid email address that you check in order receive this information. If you do not check your email, you will not be in the loop on what is going on in the gym.

Texting App- We often send out short quick updates through the texting app Remind Now. As our teams are set up we will pass out the information you need to text in order to be included on this list.

Parent's Corner – Website: We will always have current information for our gym posted on Parent's Corner. ([www.clarksville-tumbling.com](http://www.clarksville-tumbling.com))

Bulletin Board in Parent Area: We will post all info about current events and competition information on our bulletin board for easy access to parent's while your child is at practice! This bulletin board is to the left of the door to the warm up/stretch room  
FAQS

### **Gym Closings or No Regular Practice**

- May 27th Memorial Day
- July 1st-6th Summer Break
- September 2nd Labor Day Weekend
- October 14th-18th Fall Break
- November 27th-30th Thanksgiving
- December 23rd-January 3rd Winter Break
- March 23rd-27th Spring Break

## **Financial Commitment**

Your Monthly Installments Include:

1. All team practices including any additional practices scheduled (June-April)
2. One spot in a weekly tumbling class (based on individual level)
3. Choreography Fees
4. Music Fees
5. Competitions
6. 1 set of practice gear
7. Competition Bow
8. Coaches Fees for the regular season
9. Competition Bow

Does not include: Uniforms, Jerseys (Optional), Warm-ups (optional), Shoes (white cheer shoes required), Backpacks (optional). These items will be ordered separately as needed. Travel expenses and banquet are also not included. This is a complete season commitment and all fees are non-refundable.

### **2019-2020 Infinity Cheer & Tumbling Payment Schedule** Full Season amount if paid by June 1st. \$1164 (\$100 Discount)

	<b>Excel Teams</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Registration</b>	\$175.00	June 15th	
<b>Monthly Installments</b>	\$99.00	Monthly (June-April)	
<b>Uniform</b>	\$150.00	July 15th	(Not required if you already have one)
<b>USASF Membership Fee</b>	\$35.00	August 15th	Parents will create their child's membership profile.

### **Tentative Performance & Competition Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>October</b>	Nashville, TN
<b>November</b>	Nashville, TN
<b>January</b>	Nashville, TN
<b>April</b>	Nashville, TN
<b>April</b>	Clarksville (Showcase)

### **Quitting/Re-Choreography Fee**

Our program requires a commitment from the athletes, parent, families and coaches. To help ensure this level of dedication, we have implemented a fee charged to any athlete who quits his or her team after July 1st, 2019. The amount is \$200 and will immediately be applied to your account and will be drafted upon quitting. If your auto-pay declines these fees, you will be turned over to our attorney for collection through small claims court. You will also be responsible for paying ICT's attorney fees for this process. This does not apply to anyone who moves more than 50 miles away.