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Dear Candidates and Parents,

Thank you for your interest in evaluations for the 2011-2012 season! We are hopeful to see so many new faces! We are ready for an exciting new season filled with regional and national competitions, team activities and life-long memories.

Evaluations start off the season by giving coaches and staff an idea of the skill level of each athlete. ***Please email Coach Brooke to set up your personal evaluation.***

***\*Parent Meeting will be on May 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:30.***

We observe and test the skill levels of each individual and then decide which team will be best for each person. After evaluations, team coaches will place each athlete on a team according to their skill level and age.

During the summer months we will focus mainly on skill advancement and conditioning. All athletes must attend their respective team's scheduled choreography sessions to ensure proper placement of skills. October to March is competition season.

All teams go through a year-long season that includes practices, tumbling lessons, competitions, and performances. Practice schedules differ for each team and will begin immediately after team selections.

If you know someone interested in trying out for the squad now or in the future, please encourage him or her to attend a practice and speak with the coaches for further information regarding the remainder of the season.

If you have any questions please email me or contact the gym and ask for Brooke Kibler. I will be more than happy to assist you. Good Luck!

Cheerfully,  
Brooke Kibler  
[brooke@tumplex.com](mailto:brooke@tumplex.com)

# **TX All Star Informational Packet**

Being a part of the TX All-Star program can be an incredible experience. In order for the year to be a success for all, it is very important that the parents and the athletes understand and agree to adhere to the following rules and policies. Please ask to speak with Brooke Kibler about tryout info. All candidates will be evaluated on the following skills:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Tumbling         | technique, form, difficulty                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jumps            | height, technique, form                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Motion technique | motions, energy, facials                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attitude         | showmanship, willingness to learn, teamwork |

Stunting will not be evaluated at the tryouts; however, athletes should be open to any position. The coaching staff will observe each athlete throughout the evaluations and record each individual's strengths and skill levels. Individuals will be placed on a team according to skill and age. The final decision will be up to the Head Coaches of each team. **No one will be allowed to be evaluated without the following:**

1. Completed TUMBLE X emergency medical Information/ liability form (REGISTRATION FORM)
2. White t-shirt with minimal or no graphics/writing
3. Dark colored shorts
4. Hair up out of their face
5. No jewelry or gum!

## **TIME AND FINANCIAL COMMITMENT**

Just to be perfectly clear competitive cheerleading has a very large time and financial commitment. The athletes are required to be at their 3 hours of practice every week. Payments are expected to be paid on time. In order to run a successful program/business these aspects are very important.

**The All Star Program financial commitment totals approximately \$1800.00.**

## **PRACTICES**

The teams practice twice a week for two hours. During the summer months of June and July the teams practice on Mon and Wed. In May and the fall (Aug-Mar) the teams will practice on Sunday and Wednesday.

**\*Practice dates and times along with competition schedules may change throughout the year to accommodate coaches, gym schedule, or team skill levels. However, all attempts will be made to accommodate the majority of the athletes.**

## **CAMP/CHOREOGRAPHY**

Every TX cheerleader will attend his or her mandatory camp and choreography sessions. **CHOREOGRAPHY DATES: TBA.** The cost of this will be \$200 for all teams. Please do not schedule anything during these days, leave them completely open. **YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND CHOREOGRAPHY UNTIL YOUR \$200 FEE IS PAID.**

## **ABSENCES AND TARDINESS \*(revised for 2011-2012 season)**

Attendance is the single most important factor for the success of an All-Star cheerleading team. Since everyone plays a vital role in the competition routine, when even one member is absent the whole team suffers.

### **REQUEST FOR ABSENCE**

All requests for absence must be first made in writing to Coach Megan at [megan@tumblex.com](mailto:megan@tumblex.com) or placed in her mailbox. Then a copy of this request will be returned to you marked APPROVED OR NOT APPROVED. Last minute requests will be very difficult to accommodate, allow a minimum of a 2 WEEKS notice. Please do not schedule any appointments or activities during any of the scheduled times for All Stars. We will provide dates when practices are canceled due to breaks and holidays.

***\*If you fail to attend practice and have not informed a coach it will be counted against you. This year the coaches are allowing 3 unexcused absences. If you have more than 3 unexcused you will be asked to leave the program without any type of refund. It is unfair to the coaches and the rest of the athletes that attend practice on a regular basis. You will be informed of every unexcused absence.***

### **OTHER SQUAD PRACTICES AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**

If you are involved with any other extracurricular activities and you know a list of scheduled practice times, games, and competitions you need to get that to your head coach as soon as possible. If you know of ANYTHING that will conflict, your coaches need to know. We need devoted athletes that understand the attendance policy and consequences.

## **BEHAVIOR**

- 1.) Concerning behavior, all team members and their families will conduct themselves in a professional and mature manner whenever they are representing the TX program.
- 2.) No team member will participate in any illegal activities, including but not limited to; used of drugs, alcohol or tobacco, inappropriate behavior on internet forums, shoplifting or theft of any kind. These activities will not be tolerated. Any violation of the above or any other rules set forth by the law, hosting competition or TX may be grounds for student dismissal and/or the team not performing. Punishment will be up to the TX staff and owner as to what will be best for the child, the child's team and the overall TX program.
- 3.) Your dedication and loyalty to TX is extremely important. If for some reason you disagree or are unhappy with the philosophies and decisions of the TX program or TX athletes and parents, we would ask that you talk first to your coach or those in charge of the program. Talking negatively amongst each other or to others can only damage the overall spirit of each team and the program as a whole. This kind of behavior is grounds for dismissal of your family from our program without a refund.
- 4.) It is expected that the coaches and staff will be treated with respect at all times

## **COMPETITIONS AND EVENTS**

- 1.) All transportation and accommodations for parents and siblings to all events will be the sole responsibility of each family. TX is not responsible to bring any athlete to any competition. Any money that parents spend regarding travel for themselves, family members and friends to competitions and other All-Star event is done at their own risk. We will do our best to get

information to you in a timely fashion; however, if for any reason a competition is cancelled or rescheduled, TX will NOT be responsible for any reimbursement.

2.) Parents are always welcome to attend to all-star events. They are expected to be spectators, not extra coaches. There are entry fees for spectators at almost all of the competitions that we will attend ranging from \$5-\$15. Parents are not allowed in the warm-up areas. Remember the event or competition is the first priority of the participant.

3.) Tumble X feels it is important that all teams within our program support each other. It will be expected that all TX teams will arrive on time, stay at competitions and support other TX teams. It is very important that competition days are left entirely open for competitions.

4.) Tumble X All Star team members will be required to attend **ALL** competitions scheduled for their respective teams. Failure to attend every competition without a legitimate reason could be grounds for dismissal.

5.) Members will be told what to wear when meeting and leaving competitions. Members are NOT permitted to walk around in uniform partially dressed. Skirts must be zipped up all the way and tops must be fastened. Pajama pants are NOT permitted to be worn under the skirt at any time

#### **INDIVIDUAL ROUTINES/SOLO/DUO/TRIO/STUNT GROUP**

If any athlete would like to participate in any of the above they have to be apart of the TX All-Star program. If you are not a member on any team and would like to still participate you need to speak with a coach and tryout. TX can help set you up with a choreographer; however, you are also free to choose your own. All routines will need to be evaluated before they are able to perform it at any competition. If you would like to practice at Tumble X you will have to sign up for a "class" with an instructor or your coach. There will be a very minimal fee, so you will be able to practice the routine on the floor. You will not be allowed to practice unsupervised in TX without a TX coach.

### **Competition Schedule:**

The 2011-2012 competition schedule is still being determined. Registration fees will depend on what competitions we go to. The cost will be \$500 split up into two separate payments of \$250 each.

### **PAYMENTS \*(revised for 2011-2012 season):**

**PAYMENTS ARE DUE ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**LATE FEE IS ADDED ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup>**

**IF PAYMENT IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE 15<sup>TH</sup> THE ATHLETE WILL BE TAKEN  
OUT OF THE ROUTINE**

**\*\*\*NO EXCEPTIONS\*\*\***

1.) **It is very important that the families of Tumble X understand that making payments on time is of the utmost importance for the success of the teams.** Late payments will not be tolerated. All payments will be made out to Tumble X All Stars. Payments for extra tumbling classes are paid to Tumble X. Please note in the memo portion of your check what the funds are going towards.

2.) If payments become a problem an athlete may be removed from any competing or performing situation until the problem has been resolved. All accounts must be up to date and paid for before the last competition and/or last event before the athlete will be allowed to attend that competition or event. All accounts must be paid in full before any athlete will be able to tryout for the next year.

3.) There will be a \$10 charge for all late payments and returned checks and declined credit.

4.) All money spent is **NON-REFUNDABLE**, even in the case of quitting, removal from any team or placed on probation due to disobedience, absence, tardiness and late payments. Fundraising opportunities and sponsorships will be available throughout the season to lower the cost of the season's activities.

5.) At the start of the season each athlete will have to pay a \$200 fee for choreography and music. Competition fees will be broken up into 2 segments of \$300 billed in July and November.

Here are examples of the charges last year; we will try to keep it as affordable as possible:

**2010-2011 CHEERLEADING APPAREL AND COST BREAKDOWN**

<b>Uniform (top, skirt, bloomers)</b>	<b>\$200</b>
<b>Shoes</b>	<b>\$70</b>
<b>Shirts (2)</b>	<b>\$30</b>
<b>Shorts (2)</b>	<b>\$30</b>
<b>Bows</b>	<b>\$15</b>
<b>*Competition fees</b>	<b>\$500</b>
<b>Make up</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>Choreography/music/START UP</b>	<b>\$200</b>
Warm-ups	\$80
Gym bag	sling \$40 duffle \$30

**BOLD ITEMS ARE NECESSARY PURCHASES**

**CHEER TEAM PRICES**

**\$90 per month**

Includes:

- \*two team practices a week (3hrs)
- \*extra practices during comp. season
- Discount open gym \$3

**\$25 per month**

**(PAYMENTS are made separately to TUMBLE X)**

**\*One discount tumble class**

**CHEER TEAM (6 AND YOUNGER Team)**

**\$50 per month**

Includes:

- \*one team practices a week (1hrs)
- \*extra practices during comp. season
- Discount open gym \$3

**HIP HOP DANCE TEAM**

*ALL STAR CROSS OVER PRICES STILL BEING DETERMINED*

**\$50 per month**

Includes:

- \*one team practices a week (1hrs)
- \*extra practices during comp. season