

2025 FALL SPARKLERS CHEER INFORMATION



Welcome to the Fire Family!

General Information:

- We are so excited to have you as a part of our fun and loving Fire Family!
- Our Quarter Season Tiny Novice cheer program is a low-commitment program. It is great for young beginners wanting to try all star cheerleading before committing to a Half Season or Full Season team. All star cheerleading does not include sideline cheering. A routine is made to music and includes tumbling, stunting, jumping, and dance.
- Practices are **Sundays 3:45-4:45PM**.
- There will be a 1-day competition, a 2-day competition, and an in-house showcase.
- Each athlete will receive a program t shirt, a competition uniform, and a competition bow. All white, low top cheerleading shoes can be purchased on your own through Amazon.
- All families must download the complimentary communication app "BAND". Accept your email invitation upon registration. BAND is the main mode of communication throughout the season and the app calendar will be updated regularly.

Attendance:

- All practices, showcases and competitions are mandatory.
- Absences must be communicated to the Program Director & Coaches via BAND messaging.
- Excused absences:
 - School functions resulting in a grade
 - Family emergencies
 - Contagious illness/doctor's note
- Unexcused absences:
 - Birthdays or family gatherings
 - Withholding practice as a disciplinary consequence
 - Other extra-curricular activities/ sports for the cheerleader or their siblings
 - No ride to practice
 - Sick or Injured
 - If an athlete is injured, it is still important to attend practice in case any changes are made and to support their team. All athletes are very important!
- Any absence (excused or unexcused) 7 days prior to a competition may result in the athlete not competing (without a refund).
- There will be a \$50 fee if an athlete is 20 minutes (or more) late to their report time at competition.

Practices:

- Athletes/parents should use the Cheer Lobby entrance on the side of the building.
- Athletes should arrive to practice on time with their hair pulled back in a ponytail, with white cheer shoes on and a labeled water bottle. Water only in water bottles, please. 😊
- Crop tops or sports bras are not allowed.
- Parents are not allowed inside the gym at any time, no exceptions.
 - Parents are welcome to either drop off/pick up athletes or observe from the cheer/gymnastics lobbies during practice.

Athlete/Parent Expectations:

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- Athletes represent Fire House Gym inside and outside of the gym. Continue to always display our amazing positivity and role model behavior (including on social media).
- Parents are what make this all happen! We love our Fire parents and everything they do for their kids. Please display positive behavior while observing in the cheer lobby. Wear family-friendly attire at events and competitions where we are representing Fire House Gym.
- Support your athlete and the coaches.
 - Communicate any special requests/accommodation with the coaches.
 - Trust the process and respect the coaches' decisions.

Important Dates:

- **Sunday, August 10:** First practice
- **Sunday, November 9:** First Competition at Canlan Sports in Libertyville, IL (location subject to change)
- **Sunday, December 7:** In-House Showcase at Fire House Gym
- **Saturday, December 13 & Sunday, December 14** – Final Competition at Renaissance Center in Schaumburg, IL

Pricing & Team Member Incentives:

- **Sibling Discounts:** Team Members receive a 25% discount on each sibling's team tuition.
- **Rec Class Discounts:** Team members can enroll in a tumbling, hyperflex, gymnastics, or ninja class with a 40% discount!
- **FREE unlimited open gym:** Team members receive FREE open gym while they are on a team!
- Fees & Tuition:

Fall Sparklers		
Due Date	Fee	Amount
8/18	Semi-Annual Team Fee	\$50
	August Tuition	\$75
9/1	**Competition Uniform	\$235
	September Tuition	\$75
10/6	Competition Bow	\$35
	October Tuition	\$75
11/3	November Competition Fee	\$115
	November Tuition	\$75
12/1	December Competition Fee	\$165
	December Tuition	\$75
N/A	UNLIMITED open gym	FREE
	Cheer Program T Shirt	FREE
	In-House Showcase	FREE

**Competition uniform to be used is the Black & White uniform used for Half Season last year.

- If you have a uniform from last season, you do not need to purchase a new uniform.
 - Used uniforms may be available for purchase at a less cost on our Buy/Sell/Trade Facebook page: [Fire House Gym – Buy, Sell, Trade](#)
- A new competition bow is used every season. All athletes will require a new bow.
 - The season can be paid in full if you would like.
 - Advance payments can be made if it helps with your budget. It is applied as a credit to your account and that credit will be used for payment when the next charges are due.