



2026 SPRING 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 intended to introduce the sport of cheerleading to young athletes looking to have fun. 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 OR Tuesdays 6-7PM**. This will be determined by Jan 1st.
- There will be a 1-day competition, a 2-day competition, and an in-house showcase.

Uniform/Bow/Shoes:

- Each athlete will receive a competition uniform and competition bows.
- 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 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.
- 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 lobby.
- Please refrain from observing practice from the parking lot as it causes safety concerns for pedestrians and vehicles.



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Athlete/Parent Expectations:

- Parents are not allowed inside the gym at any time, no exceptions.
- 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).
- Support your athlete and the coaches.
 - Communicate any special requests/accommodations/concerns with the coaches.

Important Dates:

- **Sunday, 1/4:** First practice
- **Saturday, 3/7:** First Competition at NIU in Dekalb, IL
- **Saturday, 3/14 AND Sunday, 3/15** – Final Competition at The Kalahari in Wisconsin Dells, WI
 - Travel/lodging is NOT required. You are welcome to drive each day if you prefer.
- **Saturday, 4/11** Fire Finale! In-House Showcase at Fire House Gym

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!

Spring Sparklers Tuition & Fees		
Due Date	Fee	Amount
1/5	Semi-Annual Team Fee	\$50
	Music	\$50
	Competition Bow	\$35
	January Tuition	\$75
	**Uniform - Used or New	SEE BELOW
2/2	Spring Training Competition Fee	\$100
	February Tuition	\$75
3/2	Kalahari Nationals Competition Fee	\$195
	March Tuition	\$75
4/6	April Tuition	\$75
N/A	UNLIMITED open gym	FREE
	Cheer Program T Shirt	FREE
	In-House Showcase Fee	FREE
**The uniform used is the Black/White uniform from last season. If you do NOT have one, you will need to either: 1) Purchase a used uniform on our Facebook page: <i>Fire House Gym - Buy, Sell, Trade (based upon availability)</i> 2) OR purchase a new uniform. The cost for a NEW uniform is \$235 and is due on 1/5.		

If you were on Fall Sparklers 2025, you do NOT need to purchase a new competition 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.