



# TEXSTAR

## *Novice Cheer*

INFORMATION PACKET 2026-2027

AN INTRODUCTION TO COMPETITIVE CHEER FOCUSED ON FUNDAMENTALS, PERFORMANCE QUALITY, AND STEADILY IMPROVING SCORES IN A SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT.



*we are*  
**TEXSTAR**

At TexStar, we create a fun, family-oriented environment while maintaining structure and emphasizing proper progressions. We set high expectations for our athletes but make the journey toward achieving their goals an enjoyable one. Our success comes from our passion for the sport, our supportive atmosphere, and our commitment to helping every child learn, grow, and succeed, not just in cheerleading, but in life.

**COME JOIN OUR  
TEXSTAR FAMILY!**

# FROM STRIPES TO STARS

## *TexStar Season 13*

There are 13 stripes on the American flag, and they came before the stars. They represent the original foundation, the beginning, the sacrifice that made everything else possible.

The stars may shine, but they only exist because the stripes came first. Season 13 is about honoring that same truth.

At TexStar, we believe championships, podiums, and spotlight moments don't happen by accident. They are built through discipline, structure, and relentless commitment, stripe by stripe.

We don't skip the foundation. We build it. Because when the stripes are strong, the stars shine brighter.



# ALL STAR CHEER

Our All Star Cheer program is dedicated to developing strong, well-rounded athletes in a competitive and supportive environment while fostering lifelong friendships. Beyond mastering cheer skills, athletes will learn valuable life lessons that extend far beyond the gym.

Our staff is committed to instilling the values of accountability, teamwork, commitment, dedication, hard work, and faith. We aim to equip every athlete with the tools needed to overcome challenges and confidently pursue a successful future.

**THIS IS A FULL YEAR COMMITMENT!**  
**JUNE 2026-MAY 2027**

GIRLS AND BOYS AGES 4-19

All Cheer Athletes will be under contract from June 2026– May 2027. This contract must be signed online, along with all required paperwork, by May 15th. Athletes will not be placed on a team without a signed contract and completed paperwork.

# RISING | NOVICE | ELITE PREP | ELITE

You can choose the cheer program that best fits your desired financial and time commitment, depending on team availability for your child's age and skill level. Our Rising Stars program offers the cheer experience with a lower financial and time commitment compared to the Elite program.

- Rising Stars will **PERFORM** at local Competitions and events. (This program will not compete against other teams)
- Novice teams compete against the scoresheet, focusing on improving their own score rather than competing against other teams.
- Elite Prep & Elite Teams will **COMPETE** at local and travel Competitions.
- Novice & Elite Prep Competitions are one-day events
- Elite Travel Competitions are two-day events

## Program Breakdown:

- Rising Stars: Local Performance Teams. Divided Into teams based on age and skill level.
- Novice Program: Tiny/Mini Novice (with restrictions)
- Elite Prep Program: Tiny/Mini/Youth Prep Teams at levels 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, and 3.2
- Elite Program: Levels 1-5

PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	WEEKLY PRACTICE AMOUNTS	COMPETITIONS	MONTHLY TUITION read full packet for additional fees
<b>RISING STARS</b>	SHOW TEAM CHEER Local Performance Teams	2 Practices/week	3 Lubbock Showoffs 2 Lubbock Competitions (Teams will perform at the competition. They will NOT compete against other teams)	\$190
<b>NOVICE</b>	COMPETITIVE CHEER Novice Teams	3 Practices/week	5 Local Showoffs/Competitions 2-3 Travel Competitions + Florida Competition  (Travel Competitions are 1 day events)	\$200
<b>ELITE PREP</b>	COMPETITIVE CHEER Prep Teams	3 Practices/week	5 Local Showoffs/Competitions 5-6 Travel Competitions 2-3 Virtual Competitions + Florida Competition  (Travel Competitions are 1 day events)	\$220
<b>ELITE</b>	COMPETITIVE CHEER Elite Teams	3 Practices/week	5 Local Showoffs/Competitions 5-6 Travel Competitions 2-3 Virtual Competitions Possible Florida Competition if bid is received.  (Travel Competitions are 2 day events)	\$220

# NOVICE

Novice All Star Cheer Teams are designed for athletes new to All Star Cheer or those looking for a lower-pressure, skill-building experience. These teams focus on fundamentals, teamwork, and performance confidence in a structured and supportive environment.

Athletes learn tumbling, stunting, jumps, and dance while competing in performance-based divisions that emphasize growth over rankings.

With less practice time, fewer travel demands, and lower overall costs than higher-level teams, Novice is a great starting point for young or beginner athletes.

Novice teams also get to experience the excitement of travel competitions and serve as a strong stepping stone into Prep or Elite All Star Cheer.

## WEEKLY PRACTICES

### SUMMER

- 2 hour team practice 1x per week
- 1 hour All Star Tumbling Class 2x per week

### FALL

- 1.5 hour team practice 2x per week
- 1 hour All Star Tumbling Class 1x per week
- Optional: Additional All Star Tumbling Class \$35/month

## PERFORMANCES

- West Texas Showoff (Lubbock Showoff)
- 2 Lubbock Competitions
- 2-3 Travel Competitions
- NCA Showoff
- End of Season Lubbock Showcase
- End of Season Florida Competition

COMPETITIONS ARE 1 DAY EVENTS

Eligible to enter the Competitive All Star Tumbling Competitions! More information to come.

Novice teams compete against the scoresheet, focusing on improving their own score rather than competing against other teams.

**POSSIBLE REQUIRED DATES FOR  
CHOREOGRAPHY FOR ALL TEAMS:  
JUNE 1ST-16TH**

# NOVICE FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

## MONTHLY TUITION: \$200

Monthly tuition includes classes listed on previous page along with any extra practices. Automatically drafted June-May.

## MONTHLY CHEER FEES: \$82

Includes Competition Entry Fees, Media Day Fee, and Coaches Fees. Also includes End of Season (Florida) Competition Entry Fees & Coaches Travel Fees. Automatically drafted June-May. If an athlete joins after June, cheer fees will be divided across the remaining months of the season, which will increase the monthly draft amount.

## MONTHLY CHOREOGRAPHY & MUSIC: \$28

Routine Choreography & Routine Music, This will be drafted monthly June-May with your Cheer Fees. Please see next page if you would rather pay up front in full.

## ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE: \$55

This will be due if you are new to TexStar, if it has been one year since you paid it, or if you were out of classes for more than one month.

## MERCHANDISE COSTS

### UNIFORM BUNDLE: \$685-\$710

Includes uniform, bodysuit, & bow  
Exact price will be sent through your Band App.  
Payments will be due by July 1st.

**We will have all new uniforms and bows this season!**

### CHEER SHOES: \$125

Cheer Shoes will be ordered at the same time as uniforms. All teams will use the same Rebel shoe and ordering a new pair will be required. Sizing kits will be available.

### JERSEY: \$60

### LIPSTICK: \$20

### BACKPACK (OPTIONAL): \$145

Monogrammed with name

Merchandise Fees are NOT Included In Monthly Cheer Fees.

#### JERSEY, LIPSTICK & SHOES REQUIREMENT

All athletes will be required to purchase a new jersey, lipstick, and shoes for the season.

Exception: Athletes who already have the correct TexStar-approved brand, style, and color in good condition may be exempt from purchasing new items. To receive an exemption, athletes must bring their jersey, lipstick, and shoes to the scheduled fitting for approval by TexStar staff. If items are not approved at the fitting or are not brought for review, athletes will be required to purchase new items.

## SIBLING DISCOUNTS

- 1 sibling in Competitive + 1 sibling in Rec: \$15 monthly discount for second child
- 1 sibling in Competitive All Star Tumbling + 1 sibling in Competitive Cheer: \$30 monthly discount for second child
- 1 sibling in Rising Stars + 1 sibling in Competitive: \$30 monthly discount for second child
- 2 siblings in Competitive: \$50 monthly discount for second child

## MISC. ADDITIONAL COSTS

- SHOWOFF/SHOWCASE/COMPETITION SPECTATOR TICKETS (VARIES)
- USASF MEMBERSHIP FEE
- TRAVEL/ HOTELS
- INCORRECT PRACTICE WEAR FEE
- TRYOUT PACKAGE \$135
- COMPETITION GIFTS (OPTIONAL)
- COMPETITION ACTION SHOTS (OPTIONAL)
- CONGRATULATIONS BOX (OPTIONAL)

Misc. Costs are NOT Included In Monthly Cheer Fees.

**Practice Wear:** Athletes will receive three TexStar practice shirts (performance material) with the Tryout Package that will serve as their practice wear for the season.

Athletes should wear their assigned practice shirt with black spandex shorts and a black sports bra. Any black spandex shorts/sports bras are acceptable.

Additional TexStar practice wear items will be available to order after teams are set (optional).

WE WILL HAVE MANDATORY UNIFORM FITTING DATES IN JUNE

WE OFFER THREE OPTIONAL FUNDRAISERS EACH SEASON TO HELP OFFSET FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS.

SEE "IMPORTANT FINANCIAL INFORMATION" PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

# IMPORTANT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

- Athletes are required to commit to the full All Star Cheer season (June–May). Quitting or being removed from the team for any reason will require full payment of all remaining tuition and fees at that time. Any uniforms, practice wear, merchandise, or related items will become property of TexStar and are non-refundable.
- If an athlete becomes injured during the season and provides a doctor’s note stating they are unable to participate for the remainder of the year, they may be released from the contract (at the owner’s discretion); however, all funds paid to TexStar are non-refundable. Additional fees may still be due based on the payment schedule and competition entries. If the injury does not require full-season withdrawal, the athlete must continue attending practices and all tuition and fees will remain due.
- Athletes/guardians are responsible for all tuition, fees, uniform costs, and financial obligations outlined in the All Star tryout packet through the end of the season. All families must maintain an active ACH/bank account on file for AutoPay. Tuition and mandatory fees will be drafted according to the posted schedule. Drafts processed via ACH will not include a processing fee; however, if ACH is not the default payment method and a credit/debit card is used, a 3% card fee will apply.
- Tuition will be automatically drafted on the 28th of the prior month. If a family needs the draft moved to the 5th or 10th, a \$20 fee per charge per month will apply. There will be a \$35 fee for declined automatic drafts or returned checks.
- If an account becomes 2+ months past due, the athlete will be removed from the routine and placed as an alternate until the balance is current. If an account becomes 4+ months past due, the athlete will be removed from the program, and the family will remain financially responsible through the end of the season.
- End-of-season competitions will include a \$125–\$150 coaches fee per athlete for travel expenses.
- All competitive athletes must be registered through USASF and pay the annual membership fee. New athletes must complete registration and payment online prior to the season beginning. Returning athletes must renew their membership online by September 5.

## PAY-IN-FULL AMOUNTS: DUE BY MAY 21ST

Pay-in-full options are optional for those who prefer to pay for the entire season upfront. See the amounts listed below for full-season payment details. There is a 10% discount for tuition if you pay in full.

PROGRAM	TUITION IN FULL WITH 10% DISCOUNT	CHEER FEES IN FULL	CHOREO & MUSIC IN FULL	ALL IN FULL Tuition, Choreo & Music, Cheer fees, & Annual Registration Fee
NOVICE	\$2160	\$984	\$335	\$3535

In full payments will need to be ACH/Bank Draft, cash, Cashier’s Check, Money Order, or check sealed in an envelope with your child’s name, program, and Attn. Tessa on the front and given to the office. If you would like to use the ACH/Bank Account on file, email Tessa. There will not be a 3% fee.

Pay-in-full payments made with a credit/debit card must be approved through Tessa and will incur a 3% card fee.

tessa@texstarlubbock.com

# IMPORTANT POLICIES AND INFORMATION



HAVING CLEAR POLICIES ENSURES STRUCTURE, CONSISTENCY, AND FAIRNESS, HELPING THE PROGRAM RUN SMOOTHLY WHILE SETTING EXPECTATIONS FOR ATHLETES, PARENTS, AND COACHES. THEY PREVENT MISUNDERSTANDINGS, PROMOTE ACCOUNTABILITY, AND CREATE A POSITIVE, PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENT WHERE ATHLETES CAN FOCUS, GROW, AND SUCCEED.

# CHEER ATTENDANCE & COMMITMENT POLICY

## Attendance Policy

Cheerleading requires a significant time and financial commitment, and every athlete's attendance is essential to team success. When an athlete is absent, it impacts the entire team's progress.

## Absence Limits

- Summer: 6 absences allowed
- After Summer: 6 absences allowed for the remainder of the season

Exceeding this limit may result in removal from the team; however, the athlete will remain under contract.

All absences (excused or unexcused) count toward the total, regardless of reason.

## Exceptions (Do NOT Count as Absences)

- School cheer events
- Death in the family (funeral program required)

If an athlete is sick, they must attend practice to at least watch.

## Practice & Scheduling Expectations

We will try to schedule around conflicts, but this may not always be possible. Practices cannot be missed for other sports or activities (including extra practices), except school cheer.

Mandatory extra practices may be scheduled on weekdays or weekends 1 - 2 weeks before competitions. No absences are allowed within two weeks of a competition or showoff; athletes who miss may be replaced for the event. We reserve the right to adjust positions or formations as needed.

Your commitment and dedication make our teams strong, thank you for prioritizing attendance and teamwork.

# PRACTICE WEAR COMPLIANCE FEE

All athletes must wear designated practice attire and cheer shoes to every practice, as outlined in the information packet and contract. Proper attire is essential for safety, performance, and team consistency, allowing athletes to train effectively and coaches to instruct efficiently.

A \$10 fee will be added to your account each time an athlete arrives without the required attire or shoes. Athletes will not sit out or condition for incorrect practice wear, as this takes away from valuable routine time.

Thank you for helping us keep athletes prepared and our program standards high.

# CHOREOGRAPHY OBLIGATION

In All Star Cheer, choreography is the strategic arrangement of skills, motions, stunts, tumbling, pyramids, and dance set to music to create a high-energy, synchronized routine.

Choreography includes:

- Stunt sequences – Coordinated group lifts and tosses
- Tumbling passes – Individual and synchronized skills
- Pyramid formations – Group stunts for visual impact
- Transitions & formations – Smooth movement and positioning changes
- Dance & performance elements – Sharp, expressive motions

A well-choreographed routine maximizes difficulty, execution, creativity, and entertainment value — all contributing to competition scores.

Choreography Camp is an intensive training session where athletes learn and perfect their competition routine with professional choreographers/coaches. This camp builds a synchronized, dynamic, and visually strong routine for the season.

What Happens at Choreography Camp?

- Routine breakdown (stunts, tumbling, pyramids, transitions, dance)
- Skill execution (timing, technique, synchronization)
- Formations & transitions for visual impact
- Performance training (energy, expressions, confidence)
- Conditioning & endurance for full-out routines

Why It's Important:

- Sets the foundation for the season (starting point for routines)
- Helps athletes understand their role
- Allows early cleaning and polishing
- Builds team chemistry and confidence

Choreography Camp is **MANDATORY** for all team members.

If Missing (unavoidable circumstances only):

- Option A: \$300 fee for a coach to learn and teach the routine
- Option B: Athlete may provide a fill-in with equal tumbling/stunting ability (Must be approved by David)
- Missing may affect the athlete's position (i.e. flyer/base/backspot/tumbler)

Tentative Dates:

- June 1–16
  - Possible clean-up weekends: September–November
- (More details to come.)

# COMPETITION ATTENDANCE, INJURY POLICY AND TRANSPORTATION POLICY

## Competition Attendance

Missing a competition may result in removal from the team.

The only acceptable reasons for missing a competition are:

- Death in the immediate family
- Serious illness or hospitalization (documentation may be required)

Parents must provide at least 48 hours' notice whenever possible.

Because NCA Nationals may fall during Spring Break, practices will be held that week and attendance will be mandatory.

## Injury Policy

- If an athlete is injured and unable to return to at least four (4) practices prior to an event, they will not be eligible to compete at that event.
- This policy ensures athletes are properly prepared and allows the team to practice safely and consistently.

## Transportation Policy

Parents are responsible for transporting their athlete to and from practices and competitions. We understand special circumstances may arise; however:

- Transportation by another parent should not become a recurring arrangement
- If another parent regularly assists with transportation, families are expected to help with gas or related expenses as a courtesy.



# GENERAL ALL STAR CHEER POLICIES

EVERY SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS OPERATES WITH CLEAR RULES AND EXPECTATIONS TO ENSURE A SAFE, PRODUCTIVE, AND THRIVING ENVIRONMENT. BELOW ARE KEY GUIDELINES TO HELP MAINTAIN THE STANDARDS OF OUR GYM. PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS NOT THE OFFICIAL CONTRACT DUE AT EVALUATIONS.

## Leadership & Commitment

1. Athletes and parents must fully understand the responsibilities and commitment required for the team.
2. Each athlete's behavior while representing TexStar reflects on the entire team and staff.
3. Team members must be hardworking, receptive to coaching, and dedicated to excellence.

## Expectations

1. Athletes will set and uphold the highest standards of behavior through their actions.
2. Proper appearance is required—no extreme styles in apparel, hair, makeup, piercings, or tattoos (final decision by the coach).
3. Punctuality is mandatory for all activities.
4. Every athlete is expected to work toward both personal and team goals.

## Attendance

1. Attendance at every practice is required—cheer is a team sport, and absences impact the entire squad.
2. Athletes must arrive on time to practice, as tardiness affects both the individual and the team.
3. If an absence is necessary, notice must be given in writing via text, Band, or email before the missed practice.

## Competitions

1. All competitions are mandatory, including staying through the award ceremony to support the team.
2. Team spirit and crowd engagement can influence judges—supporting teammates is essential!

## Safety

1. Any action that jeopardizes the safety of oneself or another team member is unacceptable.
2. No gum, candy, or jewelry is allowed in the gym. Jewelry should not be worn to practice, as TexStar is not responsible for lost items.

## Parental Obligations

1. No negative behavior toward TexStar members or other gyms.
2. Ensure your child is on time and attends all practices and events.
3. Notify the coach directly if your child will be late or absent—do not relay messages through another person or child.
4. Parents must fulfill all financial obligations, including uniforms, entry fees, tuition, camps, travel, lodging, etc.
5. Encourage and support your child in their cheer journey.

## Rules & Regulations

1. No smoking, drinking, drug use, or possession of such substances—violations will result in immediate dismissal from the team
2. Disrespecting the authority of a coach or staff member is unacceptable.
3. Abusive behavior, aggressive physical contact, dishonesty, or any form of negative conduct will not be tolerated.
4. Athletes must follow all rules and guidelines set by the coach or designated leadership.

**IF ANY OF THE RULES OR GUIDELINES ARE VIOLATED, IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL MAY OCCUR, AND YOU WILL STILL BE HELD TO YOUR CONTRACT OBLIGATIONS. THESE POLICIES ARE IN PLACE TO ENSURE YOUR SAFETY, SUCCESS, AND THE OVERALL INTEGRITY OF OUR PROGRAM—PLEASE FOLLOW THEM CAREFULLY!**

# PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Parents play a vital role in helping their children develop strong character, honor commitments, and maintain a positive attitude. TexStar Athletics is committed to partnering with parents to support athletes in reaching these goals; however, the primary responsibility rests with the parents. Please read the following carefully and understand that by signing, you are committing to support the philosophies and expectations of our program.

## Parental Conduct & Commitment

- I understand that my behavior in the viewing room and at competitions reflects TexStar Athletics.
- I will promote positivity and sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy to all athletes, teams (local and non-local), coaches, and spectators at every practice and competition.
- I will not participate in gossip of any kind.

## Attendance & Commitment

- I understand that my child is part of a team and that their commitment impacts the entire team.
- I will ensure my child attends all practices, extra practices, and competitions throughout the season.
- Only six absences are allowed during summer, and six absences are allowed from Fall–May.
- No absences are allowed within two weeks prior to a competition.
- Injured athletes must attend practice to observe if physically able.
- Arriving 45 minutes late or leaving 45 minutes early for an unexcused reason will count as an absence.
- I understand the coach must be notified in advance of any absences or tardiness.

## Respect & Communication

- I will respect the coaches and their authority during practices and competitions.
- I will not disrupt coaches during practice or events.
- I will not remove my child from practice.
- If I need to discuss a concern, I will request a meeting at an agreed-upon time and place.
- I will not engage in disrespectful behavior, venting, or negativity.

## Parent Responsibilities

- I will attend parent meetings, read emails, and regularly check Band for important updates from TexStar Athletics.

## Parent Observation

- We value allowing parents to observe practices; however: if drama, disruption, or negative behavior occurs among parents, observation privileges for that team may be removed for the remainder of the season.

## Social Media Policy

- All parents are expected to represent TexStar Athletics in a positive manner.
- Social media must remain appropriate and respectful.
- Athletes and parents may not post negative comments, complaints, or gossip about teammates, coaches, or the program.
- I will not engage in disrespectful behavior, venting, or negativity on social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or cheerleading forums.

## Consequences for Violations

The first violation will result in a demerit (warning). A second violation may result in removal from the program. However, TexStar reserves the right to remove an athlete immediately if the director determines the situation warrants it.

These policies are in place to create a positive, respectful, and supportive environment where every athlete and family can thrive and succeed.

By signing the online packet, I confirm that I have read the Parent Code of Conduct, understand what is expected of myself and any of my child's parent/guardians, and agree to follow these policies.

# ATHLETE CODE OF CONDUCT

TexStar Athletics holds its athletes to high standards of character, commitment, and sportsmanship. Our goal is to create a positive, goal-driven environment where athletes work toward both team success and personal growth.

## Character & Conduct

- I understand that my actions inside and outside the gym reflect TexStar Athletics and must show strong character at all times.
- I will respect all teammates, coaches, parents, and competitors (local and non-local).
- I will not participate in bullying, gossip, or negative behavior of any kind, including disrespectful social media posts or venting on platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, TikTok, or cheer forums.
- I will not use inappropriate language or engage in inappropriate behavior.

## Commitment & Attendance

- I understand that my team depends on me, and I will stay fully committed to my coaches, teammates, and personal growth.
- I understand that violating the attendance policy may result in removal from the team.
- Arriving 45 minutes late or leaving 45 minutes early for an unexcused reason will count as an absence.
- Threatening to quit at any time will result in a demerit.

## Attitude & Effort

- I will come to practice with a positive attitude and give my best effort toward the goals set by my coaches.
- I understand that positivity is contagious, and I will encourage and support my teammates.
- I will stay focused during practice and work to improve every day.

## Practice & Safety

- I will wear the scheduled practice attire to every practice and stay responsible for knowing the schedule and dress requirements.
- I will inform my coaches of any injuries before, during, or after practice, including injuries that occur outside the gym.

## Communication & Accountability

- I will stay up to date on all important team information posted in my team's Band group.

## Good Teammate Policy

- TexStar Athletics has zero tolerance for negative team culture.
- No bullying or negative talk about teammates in any form
- Athletes must support and respect one another at all times
- If an athlete is found bullying or intentionally creating a negative team environment, disciplinary action will be taken. Athletes will only be removed from the team if the behavior is determined to be severe. All situations will be reviewed and decided at the discretion of the gym owners and program directors.
- Athletes who feel they are being bullied must inform a coach or director immediately so the situation can be addressed promptly. In most cases, the athlete responsible will receive a warning first and be given the opportunity to correct their behavior.
- Removal will occur only if there is clear proof, multiple witnesses, or if the behavior continues after a warning.

## Athlete Social Media Policy

- All athletes are expected to represent TexStar Athletics in a positive manner.
- Social media must remain appropriate and respectful
- Athletes may not post negative comments, complaints, or gossip about teammates, coaches, or the program.
- Failure to follow this policy may result in disciplinary action.

## CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATIONS

The first violation will result in a demerit (warning). A second violation may result in removal from the program. However, TexStar reserves the right to remove an athlete immediately if the director determines the situation warrants it.

These policies are in place to create a positive, respectful, and supportive environment where every athlete and family can thrive and succeed.

By signing the online packet, I confirm that my child and I have read the Athlete Code of Conduct, understand what is expected of my child, and we agree to follow these policies.

# D2 GYM

- Our Elite Program is limited to 125 athletes or fewer. Rising, Novice and Prep athletes do not count toward this number.
- If we exceed 125 Elite athletes, our program would be classified as D1, requiring us to compete against major gyms such as Cheer Athletics, Spirit of Texas, and others.
- Many D1 gyms in Texas have 300+ athletes trying out for their programs, with Cheer Athletics alone housing around 1,000 athletes across multiple locations worldwide.
- We do have plans to transition to D1 in the future, but only when we are fully prepared as a program to take that step.



# NOVICE EVALUATIONS

**WE WILL HAVE EVALUATIONS TO DETERMINE THE LEVEL/TEAM YOUR CHILD WILL BE PLACED ON. ALL ATHLETES MUST ATTEND ONE OF THE EVALUATION DAYS. ALL EVALUATIONS WILL BE CLOSED TO PARENTS AND SPECTATORS TO ENSURE ATHLETES CAN REMAIN FULLY FOCUSED.**

At evaluations, Novice Athletes will be assessed on the difficulty and technique of their tumbling, motions, and jumps. All evaluations will be skills tracked and available through iClass Pro.

## **Tumbling level (1, 2 and 3)**

- **1 Standing pass will be evaluated and 1 Running tumbling pass will be evaluated**
  - Tumbling skills are not required but preferred
  - Difficulty levels range from: Level appropriate (1), advanced (2) and Elite (3)
  - Technique will range from 1 to 3 Stars: (1) Below Expectations (2) Meets Expectations (3) Exceeds Expectations

## **Motions**

- **Basic Motion Technique to music and counts**
  - High v's, low v's etc.
  - Technique will range from: 1 to 3 Stars: (1) Below Expectations (2) Meets Expectations (3) Exceeds Expectations

## **Jumps**

- **Toe Touch, Pike and Hurdler**
- **Technique will range from 1 to 3 Stars: (1) Below Expectations (2) Meets Expectations (3) Exceeds Expectations**

# TEAM PLACEMENT

## Team Placement Policy

Each athlete will be placed on a team based on age, ability, and experience. If an athlete does not meet team guidelines, they will have the option to join a tumbling class.

## Placement Criteria

Teams are determined by age group and skill level, and athletes must meet level and commitment expectations throughout the season. Athletes may be moved to a different team or program if they do not maintain required skills or have excessive absences.

If skills are lost for an extended period, athletes may be moved to a level that better supports their development.

Placement decisions are made to ensure every athlete is in an environment that supports growth, success, and overall team performance. Many factors are considered equally, including:

- Age (based on birth year)
- Tumbling ability
- Team size needs (flyers, bases, backspots, tumblers)
- Basing/backspotting or flying experience
- Best overall team fit
- Maintaining D2 roster limits (125 athletes)

## Program Placement Disclaimer

Trying out for a specific program does not guarantee placement in that program. Athletes trying out for Novice teams may be placed on Rising teams or have the option of Elite Prep if the coaches and directors determine it is the best fit for both the athlete and the team.

Placement decisions are made based on skill level, commitment, and overall team needs to ensure every athlete is in the most appropriate and supportive environment for their growth and success.

Each team is put together to be set up for success. It's about putting the best puzzle pieces together. Athletes are not guaranteed to move up in level or age group, and sometimes can move down if it's better for their future development.

# TEAM PLACEMENT

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## 1. AGE ALL STAR ELITE TIER

### USASF All Star ELITE TIER CLUB Divisions

Age Division	Eligibility by Birth Year	Levels Offered							Gender
		1	2	3	4	4.2	5	6	
Tiny	2019 - 2021	✓							Female/Male
Mini	2017 - 2020	✓	✓						Female/Male
Youth	2014 - 2019	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		Female/Male
Youth Flex**	2013 - 2021	✓	✓	✓					Female/Male
Junior	2011 - 2018	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	Female/Male
Junior Flex**	2010 - 2020	✓	✓	✓					Female/Male
Junior Flex**	2010 - 2019				✓				Female/Male
Senior	6/1/2007 - 2014	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Female
Senior Coed	6/1/2007 - 2014			✓	✓	✓	✓		Female/Male
Senior Open	5/31/2009 & Before				✓		✓		Female
Senior Open Coed	5/31/2009 & Before				✓		✓		Female/Male
WORLDS SENIOR AGE DIVISIONS									
Senior	6/1/2007 - 2013							✓	Female
Senior Coed	6/1/2007 - 2013							✓	Female/Male

**TEXSTAR WILL NOT DO ANY FLEX DIVISIONS**

## 2. TUMBLING SKILLS

### STANDING/RUNNING TUMBLING

Scoring system has yet to be released for the 2026-2027 season.

Go to <https://www.unitedscoringpartners.com/> for updates.

Make sure to click on "Level Appropriate Documents"

# TEAM PLACEMENT

## 3. TEAM SIZE

Team sizes are based off the stunt/tumbling quantity chart.

Note: Teams can't have a team full of flyers, bases or back spots. Each team must have the required pieces to make strong stunt groups.

To make a full stunt group It takes two bases, a flyer, & a backspot

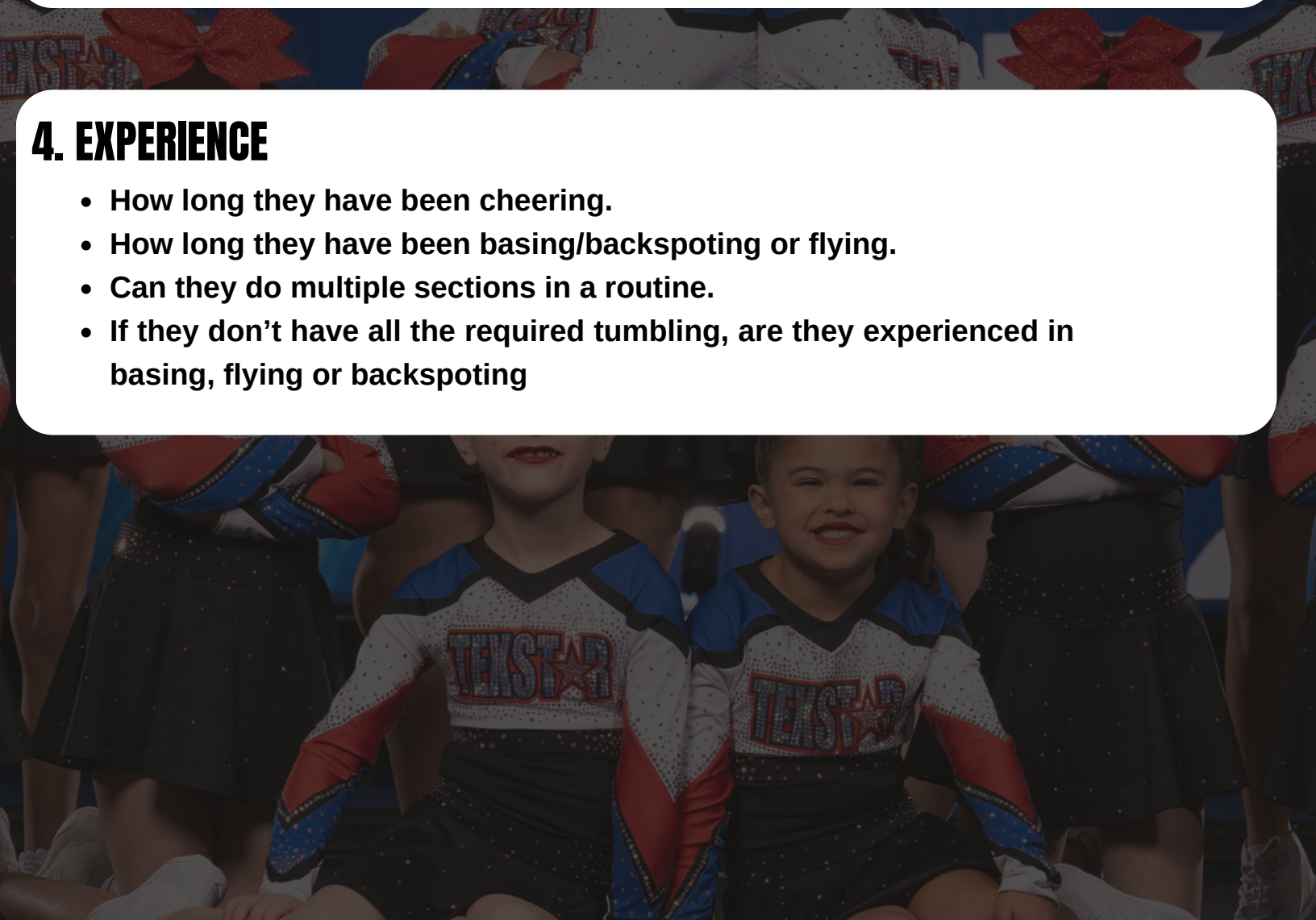
Scoring system has yet to be released for the 2026-2027 season.

Go to <https://www.unitedscoringpartners.com/> for updates.

Make sure to click on "Master Score Sheets"

## 4. EXPERIENCE

- How long they have been cheering.
- How long they have been basing/backspotting or flying.
- Can they do multiple sections in a routine.
- If they don't have all the required tumbling, are they experienced in basing, flying or backspotting



# TRYOUT SCHEDULE 2026

## ALL STAR PREP CLINICS & OPEN GYMS

MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup> - MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>

Optional. See next page for details

## PARENTS MEETING

VIRTUAL- WILL BE POSTED TO THE  
TRYOUT PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE

We will go over the tryout packet and what is  
expected in All Star Cheer. This will be posted  
after May 16th

## EVALUATIONS

### MANDATORY | CHOOSE ONE

#### BIRTH YEAR 2017-2022

**MAY 16<sup>TH</sup>** CHECK IN 10:00AM | EVAL 10:30AM - 11:00AM

**MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>** CHECK IN 1:30PM | EVAL 2:00 - 2:30PM

#### BIRTH YEAR 2014-2016

**MAY 16<sup>TH</sup>** CHECK IN 11:00AM | EVAL 11:30AM - 12:00PM

**MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>** CHECK IN 2:30PM | EVAL 3:00 - 3:30PM

TEAMS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY MAY 20TH

## TRYOUT PACKAGE \$135 (MANDATORY) INCLUDES:

- Evaluation fee
- 3 practice wear shirts
- A locker for the season
- A 2026-2027 yard sign
- A personalized car decal with your child's name

This fee will be submitted online with  
paperwork, is non-refundable, and is  
due by May 14.



# ALL STAR PREP CLINICS AND OPEN GYMS

## ALL STAR PREP CLINICS

All Star Clinics are designed to help athletes prepare for tryouts by building skills, confidence, and technique. Open to members and non-members ages 4+. Spots are limited. Must sign up through Customer Portal prior to clinic. \$20 PER CLINIC

CLINIC	DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION
ALL STAR LEVEL 1 TUMBLING	TUESDAY, MARCH 24TH	6:30-7:30	Focuses on Level 1 fundamentals including cartwheels, round-offs, walkovers, and back handspring prep with an emphasis on technique and confidence.
ALL STAR LEVEL 1 TUMBLING	FRIDAY, MARCH 27TH	5:30-6:30	Focuses on Level 1 fundamentals including cartwheels, round-offs, walkovers, and back handspring prep with an emphasis on technique and confidence.
INTRO TO ALL STAR CHEER	TUESDAY, MARCH 31ST	6:30-7:30	Great for beginners learning motions, jumps, stunts, and performance skills in a fun setting.
JUMPS & FLEXIBILITY	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1ST	5:30-6:30	Improves jump technique, height, and body control while building strength and flexibility for stronger performance.
ALL STAR LEVEL 2 TUMBLING	THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND	7:30-8:30	Designed for athletes working back handsprings and connections with a focus on power, technique, and consistency. Must have a perfected back walkover.
JUMPS & FLEXIBILITY	TUESDAY, APRIL 7TH	6:30-7:30	Improves jump technique, height, and body control while building strength and flexibility for stronger performance.
FLYER BODY POSITIONS & FLEXIBILITY	TUESDAY, APRIL 14TH	6:30-7:30	Focuses on flyer body positions, balance, strength, and flexibility to build confidence in the air.
INTERMEDIATE-ADVANCED DANCE	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15TH	5:30-6:30	This clinic builds strong cheer dance skills through technique, sharp motions, musicality, and performance while learning high-energy choreography.
ALL STAR LEVEL 2 TUMBLING	THURSDAY, APRIL 16TH	7:30-8:30	Designed for athletes working back handsprings and connections with a focus on power, technique, and consistency. Must have a perfected back walkover.
ALL STAR LEVEL 1 TUMBLING	FRIDAY, APRIL 17TH	5:30-6:30	Focuses on Level 1 fundamentals including cartwheels, round-offs, walkovers, and back handspring prep with an emphasis on technique and confidence.
INTRO TO ALL STAR CHEER	TUESDAY, APRIL 21ST	6:30-7:30	Great for beginners learning motions, jumps, stunts, and performance skills in a fun setting.
FLYER BODY POSITIONS & FLEXIBILITY	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22ND	5:30-6:30	Focuses on flyer body positions, balance, strength, and flexibility to build confidence in the air.
INTERMEDIATE-ADVANCED DANCE	TUESDAY, APRIL 28TH	6:30-7:30	This clinic builds strong cheer dance skills through technique, sharp motions, musicality, and performance while learning high-energy choreography.
ALL STAR LEVEL 2 TUMBLING	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29TH	5:30-6:30	Designed for athletes working back handsprings and connections with a focus on power, technique, and consistency. Must have a perfected back walkover.
FLYER BODY POSITIONS & FLEXIBILITY	THURSDAY, APRIL 30TH	7:30-8:30	Focuses on flyer body positions, balance, strength, and flexibility to build confidence in the air.
ALL STAR LEVEL 1 TUMBLING	TUESDAY, MAY 5TH	6:30-7:30	Focuses on Level 1 fundamentals including cartwheels, round-offs, walkovers, and back handspring prep with an emphasis on technique and confidence.
FLYER BODY POSITIONS & FLEXIBILITY	WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH	5:30-6:30	Focuses on flyer body positions, balance, strength, and flexibility to build confidence in the air.
ALL STAR LEVEL 2 TUMBLING	FRIDAY, MAY 8TH	5:30-6:30	Designed for athletes working back handsprings and connections with a focus on power, technique, and consistency. Must have a perfected back walkover.
MOCK EVALUATIONS	TUESDAY, MAY 12TH	6:30-7:30	Simulates tryouts with feedback on jumps, tumbling, motions, and overall readiness.
MOCK EVALUATIONS	WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH	5:30-6:30	Simulates tryouts with feedback on jumps, tumbling, motions, and overall readiness.

# ALL STAR PREP CLINICS AND OPEN GYMS

## ALL STAR OPEN GYMS

DATE	TIME
THURSDAY, APRIL 9TH	7:30-8:30
THURSDAY, APRIL 23RD	7:30-8:30
FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH	5:30-6:30
FRIDAY, MAY 1ST	5:30-6:30
THURSDAY, MAY 7TH	7:30-8:30
THURSDAY, MAY 14TH	7:30-8:30

Open Gym is supervised gym time for athletes to work on skills of their choice.

Open to members and non-members.

Ages: Youth athletes and up (Birth years 2007-2014).

\$10 for each open gym

Spots are limited.

Must sign up through Customer Portal prior to open gym.



# PAYMENT SCHEDULE 2026

FEE	DUE BY
ONLINE PAPERWORK & TRYOUT PACKAGE	MAY 14TH
PAYMENT DUE IF YOU ARE PAYING ANY FEES IN FULL FOR THE SEASON	MAY 21ST
TUITION & CHEER FEES WILL START DRAFTING IF PAYING MONTHLY	MAY 28TH
UNIFORM BUNDLE PAYMENT DUE   SHOE PAYMENT DUE	JULY 1ST
LIPSTICK & JERSEY PAYMENT DUE   OPTIONAL: BACKPACK PAYMENT DUE	SEPTEMBER 1ST

MONTHLY TUITION WILL BE DRAFTED ON THE 28TH OF THE PRIOR MONTH. THIS WILL START MAY 28TH. (UNLESS YOU ARE PAYING TUITION IN FULL UP FRONT)



# COMPETITION SCHEDULE

\*ALL COMPETITIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*

**ASC**  
**TBD**  
**LUBBOCK, TX**

**REDLINE | WEST TEXAS CLASSIC**  
**DECEMBER 12TH, 2026**  
**LUBBOCK, TX**

**ATH | ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS -**  
**GARLAND - NATIONALS - DI/DII**  
**FEBRUARY 13TH-14<sup>TH</sup>, 2027**  
**GARLAND, TX**

**SOU | SOUTHERN GRAND NATIONALS**  
**- DI/DII**  
**FEBRUARY 20TH-21<sup>ST</sup>, 2027**  
**SAN ANTONIO, TX**

**NCA ALL STAR NATIONALS**  
**MARCH 19TH-21<sup>ST</sup>, 2027**  
**HOUSTON, TX**

## END OF SEASON COMPETITIONS

**CELEBRATION (VARSITY EVENT)**  
**TAMPA, FLORIDA**  
**APRIL 24-25, 2027**

## LUBBOCK SHOWOFFS/SHOWCASES

**WEST TEXAS SHOWOFF**  
**OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

**NCA SHOWOFF**  
**FEBRUARY DATE TBD**

**END OF SEASON SHOWCASE**  
**APRIL DATE TBD**



# HOLIDAY & BREAK SCHEDULE

2026-2027

## JULY 4TH BREAK

JULY 4-12 - NO PRACTICES

PRACTICES RESUME: JULY 13

## LAST SUMMER PRACTICES

AUGUST 6

## AUGUST BREAK

AUGUST 7-16 - NO PRACTICES

FALL PRACTICES BEGIN: AUGUST 17

## SEPTEMBER PRACTICE SCHEDULE

BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER, TEAMS WILL  
TRANSITION TO THREE (3) PRACTICES PER WEEK.

## LABOR DAY BREAK

SEPTEMBER 3-7 - NO PRACTICES

PRACTICES RESUME: SEPTEMBER 8

## THANKSGIVING BREAK

NOVEMBER 22-29 - NO PRACTICES

PRACTICES RESUME: NOVEMBER 30

## CHRISTMAS BREAK

DECEMBER 18 - JANUARY 3 - NO PRACTICES

PRACTICES RESUME: JANUARY 4

## SPRING BREAK & EASTER SCHEDULE

- NO SPRING BREAK
- EASTER BREAK: MARCH 22-29



# NEW INFORMATION THIS SEASON

MAKE SURE TO TAKE NOTE OF CHANGES HAPPENING THIS SEASON

- **UNIFORM BUNDLE & ALL NEW UNIFORMS/BOWS FOR EVERY PROGRAM**
- **ACH DRAFT REQUIRED**
- **MONTHLY CHEER FEES & CHOREOGRAPHY FEES**
- **10% DISCOUNT IF PAYING TUITION IN FULL**
- **COMPETITION ATTENDANCE, INJURY POLICY, AND TRANSPORTATION POLICY**
- **PRACTICE AMOUNT FOR SUMMER VS. FALL/SPRING**
- **END OF SEASON (FLORIDA) COMPETITION ENTRY AND COACHES TRAVEL FEES INCLUDED IN MONTHLY CHEER FEES**

**PLEASE CAREFULLY REVIEW YOUR PACKET TO ENSURE YOU FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL POLICIES AND COMMITMENTS.**

## TRYOUT CHECKLIST

ALL ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETE TO BE PLACED ON A TEAM

- ① **Thoroughly read through the information packet**
- ② **Fill out the online information Packet by May 14th (this will include signing the contract and paying the tryout package fee)**  
**[Information Packet Link](#)**
- ③ **Sign up for an evaluation date through your Customer Portal**  
**[Customer Portal Link](#)**
- ④ **Attend your evaluation**
- ⑤ **Teams will be announced May 20th and the summer schedule will be sent out**
- ⑥ **Team practices will start the week of June 1st**

# **ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS & OPPORTUNITIES AT TEXSTAR WE ARE PROUD TO OFFER**

**Additional programs and leadership opportunities that help strengthen our culture, support our athletes, and create a well-rounded All Star experience.**

**More details will be provided in team Bands**

## **TexStar Cheer for Life Scholarship**

**Athletes who cheer with TexStar every year from 1st grade through Senior year (with no breaks) will receive 100% free tuition their Senior year — our way of celebrating loyalty, dedication, and long-term commitment to the program.**

## **Athlete Ambassador Program**

**Being a TexStar Athlete Ambassador means leading with strong character, integrity, and heart — both in and out of the gym. Ambassadors consistently represent TexStar through their attitude, dedication, sportsmanship, and how they treat and uplift others. Athletes are selected through an application process and chosen because they set the standard for our program and truly live out TexStar values every day.**

## **Team Mom Program**

**Team Moms support communication, organization, and team culture throughout the season. Responsibilities include helping relay information, answering parent questions, organizing team events and bonding activities, assisting with fundraising, sending reminders, and capturing photos/videos for Band. Team Moms also assist with setup, decorating, and cleanup for special events.**

## **Athlete Work Program (Juniors & Seniors)**

**High School Juniors and Seniors can reduce portions of their tuition and cheer fees through the Athlete Work Program while gaining hands-on experience in a fun, supportive environment. Opportunities may include:**

- **The Watering Hole**
  - **Fun Fridays**
  - **Birthday Parties**
- **Field Trips & Special Events**
- **Coaching (if guidelines are met)**

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