



# **OC ELITE CHEER & DANCE**

**INFORMATION PACKET** 

2024-25 Season

Whether you want to compete locally or travel to events, are brand new to cheer or an experienced athlete, we offer a program for you!

## **INTRODUCTION**

#### **ABOUT US**

OC Elite has been a trusted competitive cheerleading program since 2008, with an undisputed reputation for excellence! With our 6,000-square-foot facility and our exceptionally trained staff, we have all the components to ensure our teams' and our athletes' success. Our competitive cheerleading program offers teams and classes for ages 3-18, beginning-elite levels.



## **EVALUATION CHECKLIST**

- Complete Parent/Athlete Handbook
- Official Birth Certificate (New Athlete)
- Registration/Evaluation Fee
   (\$75 Early Bird, \$100 on time non-refundable)

#### **EVALUATIONS**

Following the evaluation day(s), athletes will be placed into a level practice group. Athletes will practice within these level groupings for 2 weeks. During the 2 weeks of level practice, stunting abilities and work ethic will be assessed. Following level practice weeks, staff will determine team placements with the highest success of the season in mind. Each athlete will be placed on a team regardless of experience. Team placements

may be adjusted throughout the year based on athlete performance and team needs.

Elite athletes may be asked to be a crossover or be an alternate for an additional team. This does result in additional fees, so we always ask first. Crossover = Participate on two or more teams Alternate = Potential fill-in for another team

## **EVALUATION CLINICS (Mandatory to attend)**

Elite Prep Team Evaluations - May 20th

Ages 3-6 @ 4:30-6pm

Ages 7-14 @ 6-8pm

<u>Elite Team Evaluations</u> - May 21 and 22nd (attend both days)

Ages 5-8 @ 4:30-6pm

Ages 9-18 @ 6:00-8pm

Level Placements will be posted on May 23rd @ the Welcome party, as well as our Band app.

## **WELCOME PARTY**

Join us on Thursday, May 23rd to view your evaluation level placement, sign up for tumbling classes, get sized/purchase your Nfinity cheer shoes, get sized for cheer camp shirts, meet some of our staff and shop the latest OCE merch.

Elite team @ 5-6:30pm

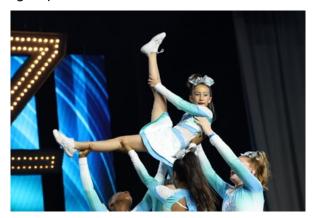
Elite Prep teams @ 7:00-8:30pm

## **LEVEL PRACTICES**

Level practices begin the 1st week of June Team Placements/Signing day: June 14th @6pm

## **CHEER CAMP**

Elite Prep camp: Jul 15-16 @ 9am-12pm (ages 7+) Elite Level 1 Camp: July 1-2 @ 9am-12pm Elite Level 2 Camp: July 8th - 9th@ 8am-12pm Elite Level 3-4 Camp: July 10th - 11th@ 8am-12pm Team Choreography: Set by coach in month of Aug-Sept.



PROGRAM COMPARISON						
PROGRAM	HOURS Per Week	UNIFORM COST	TRAVEL	MISS Practices	MONTHLY TUITION (June-May)	CAMP \$140-\$150
ELITE PREP	<b>1</b> (+ TUMBLING for age 10+)	\$185	LOCAL	OCASSIONALLY	\$140-195	2 DAYS JULY 15-16 @ OC ELITE (ages 7-14 only
ELITE	<b>3-4</b> + Tumbling	\$500	LAS VEGAS x 2	VERY RARELY	\$240	2 DAYS JULY 1-2 (Lev 1) JULY 8-9 (Lev 2) JULY 10-11 (Lev 3-4) @ OC ELITE
TRAVEL	3 + TUMBLING	\$500	YES Vegas x2 Florida TBD	NEVER 🤚	\$275 (+Quest comp	2 DAYS July 1-2 @ OC ELITE

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## **PROGRAM COMPARISON & COST:**

Before considering competitive cheerleading, please consider the financial commitment involved. Removing athletes due to lack of payment negatively impacts the team and the athlete. Tuition will be paid monthly from the 1st month of the season, June 2024 through April 2025. Tuition is due the 1st of the month; payments paid past the 7th of the month will accrue a \$10 per week late fee. Missed payments will result in the temporary postponement of your athlete's participation until the athlete's account is up to date. Tuition is set and will not be prorated for any reason.

Elite Prep	\$140 / 11m
Elite Prep w/tumbling	\$195 / 11 m
Elite	\$240 / 11m
Travel Team	\$275 / 11m (+ Quest)

Siblings will receive \$35/m off their second/third/fourth child's tuition for teams.

Items included in monthly tuition are competition fees, music, choreography, competition bow, team photo and coach's fees.

Summer camp and uniforms are not included in the monthly fee. Camp/uniform fees are due by **June 15th.** 

Elite Prep Camp .......\$140 (age 7-14, no camp for ages 3-6, includes 2 shirts)

Elite Prep Uniform .....\$185

Elite Camp .......\$150 (includes 2 camp shirts)

Elite Uniform......\$500

Elite Lev 4 Uniform.....

\*Nfinity cheer shoes are required and must be purchased independently (style TBA). Families will be responsible for arranging and paying for all travel expenses to away competitions.





#### ATHLETE SIGNING DAY:

Signing day Is not a mandatory event but is highly encouraged. Athletes will be fitted for uniforms, sign the acceptance of a position on the team, and ensure they and their families have joined the Team and Gym Band.

Athlete signing day is a fun experience for all athletes as they get to socialize with their official teammates, get great photos, and overall capture the fantastic excitement of being placed on the teams they will find success on all season!

Additionally, we want you to take part in the process, celebrate your athlete's placement, join all the team Band groups so you do not miss out on communication, and ensure all your contact information on the rosters are correct. Signing day is the first step in being fully set up for success all season.

\*Athletes who have not completed paperwork, have a card on file, and made their tuition/installment payment will not be allowed to practice.

## **ATTENDANCE:**

All teams will have set practice days which typically remain consistent throughout the

season and may only change based on certain circumstances. Practice days/times will be set following team placements. Attendance is crucial to the success of any team. Every athlete will be allowed five practice absences per season starting on Sept 1st. Every absence following will risk losing spot(s) in the routine, or dismissal. It will be at the discretion of the owner to grant exceptions for extenuating circumstances. Please work to plan your family vacations around the gym schedule whenever possible, we work hard to notify of gym closures early. If you are taking a vacation for spring break, try to take it the week we are closed so you do not interfere with your team. Competitions are what the team(s) work for all year. An absence/miss the week of an event/competition is detrimental to the team and will likely result In your athlete being replaced for that event or removed from the team.

#### **Closure Dates:**

June 17 - June 22 - Summer Break July 22-27 - Summer Break September 2 - Labor Day Nov 25-30 - Thanksgiving Break Dec 23-Jan 4 - Winter Break Feb 17 - President Day March 17-22 - Spring Break Closure



### **ATHLETE POLICIES:**

All elite flyers are required to attend the weekly flexibility class at no additional cost to the athlete for the duration of the season.

Transportation to competitions is the responsibility of each athlete and their family. OCE uniforms must be kept in good condition. Please report any lost or damaged uniform items to your coach. The cost of replacement will be the responsibility of the athlete.

Athletes are required to wear appropriate practice clothing to each practice: sports bra, fitted top, athletic shorts, cheer shoes, socks, hair in ponytail. Athletes cannot have any piercings and/or jewelry on for practice or competition. Please be mindful of this when thinking of getting new piercings.

If an injury should occur, it is the responsibility of the parent to seek professional help. A physician's evaluation/documentation of the athletes injury and/or status must be provided to the coach. An athlete with a serious injury will only be allowed to return to activity with a release form from a medical professional. Please notify your head coach of any injury that requires medical attention prior to seeking medical attention.

## **COMMUNICATION:**

Here at OCE it is vital that you remain up to date with all gym & team updates. As a parent, you will receive information in several ways. OCEs main form of communication is through the BAND app. The "OCE Athletes and Parents" BAND is where

you find the most current information regarding our program and upcoming events. Each athlete and parent will, additionally, need to sign up and follow their specific teams BAND where you will find information specific to the athlete's team. During the season we will send out text reminders for upcoming events; make sure to opt in to receive the info.

#### PARENT VIEWING:

Our parent viewing room is open for your viewing pleasure but is a privilege and will be treated as such. Please refrain from negative talk about OCE athletes, coaches, teams, decisions, etc... As well as negative talk about other programs or events. This should be a place to enjoy and share your athlete's experience. NO GOSSIP ALLOWED!

## **COMPETITION ETIQUETTE:**

OCE prides itself on excellent parent dedication and support. It is encouraged that all parents sit together and cheer on OC Elite teams at competitions. OC Elite Team clothing is also encouraged to support the athletes. It is expected that any member associated with OCE shows respect for all athletes, coaches, teams, and staff of the events.



#### **FUNDRAISING:**

OCE offers individual fundraisers where all credits will be credited directly to the athletes' account. The offered fundraisers involve extra work outside of cheer but has historically helped athletes struggling with costs. Any surplus in fundraising credits can be applied to Classes, Teams, and OCE hosted events. Refund checks will not be issued in the event of a surplus or athlete quitting/being removed for breach of contract.

#### **PARENT HANDBOOK:**

OCE's Athlete/Parent Handbook contains all the rules and guidelines for both the athletes and parents that participate on any team at OC Elite Cheer. It is integral that each family familiarize themselves with these guidelines to avoid any issues throughout the season.

#### **DISCIPLINE:**

OC Elite Cheer reserves the right to remove athletes from the program for serious violations of our rules and expectations including but not limited to bullying, substance abuse, social media conduct, and toxic behaviors.

**1st Violation**- A meeting with the athlete defining the problem.

**2nd Violation**- A meeting with the athlete and the parents.

**3rd Violation**- The athlete may be removed from the team or the entire program.

#### TRADEMARK NOTICE:

The logo of OC Elite Cheer belongs to the owners of the program. Re-creation or selling of the OC Elite logo is not permitted. This includes but is not limited to, team names and any likeness to the logo, affiliation, and or program without the permission of OC Elite Cheer.





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