

Cheer South All-Stars

2025-2026 All Star Information Packet

General Information: Please use this only as a GUIDE. Nothing is set in stone. This information will only apply to those who become athletes of one of our Novice, Prep, Half-Year or Elite Allstar Teams.

<u>Season 27</u>: Allstar Competition season for Full Year athletes/teams will begin May 1st, 2025, and end April 30th, 2026!

Startup Fees: Due IMMEDIATELY (before athlete can begin practicing) ...

Includes: May Tuition, Insurance Fee, Medical Supply Fee, Awards Banquet Fee (athlete), 1st Competition Deposit & Booster Fee **All athletes pay this fee** (Discounts WILL NOT be applied to this amount!)

Gym Tuition: Tuition covers teams' practices at the gym.

<u>All Star Elite Team Tuition-</u> includes 2-3 team practices per week (Monday, Wednesday & every Sunday through November. Some Thursdays 2 weeks before competitions. Elite teams will travel to 6-7 competitions during the season including a BIG National event which will require airfare for travel.

<u>All Star Prep Team Tuition-</u> includes 1-2 team practice per week. Prep teams will travel to 4-5 competitions during the season. (Athens, Savannah, Jacksonville, or Charleston)

<u>All Star Novice Team Tuition-</u> includes 1-2 team practice per week. Novice teams will travel to 3-4 competitions during the season locally (Savannah).

<u>Half-Year Novice Tuition</u>- includes 1 team practice per week. Half-Year Novice teams will travel to 1 competition during the season locally (Savannah).

<u>Consolidated Booster Fees</u>: Instead of asking for payments to cover individual items we take the cost of everything that's needed for the season, add it altogether and divide it into 10 months. This fee will always be the same.

<u>Returning Elite Athlete Consolidated Booster Fee Includes: -</u> Competition Registration Fees, Coaches Fees (registration & hotel stays), Practice Attire, Practice Bow, Choreography Clean-ups, and Music Fee.

<u>New Elite Athlete Consolidated Booster Fee Includes: - Competition Registration Fees, Coaches Fees (registration & hotel stays), Practice Attire, Practice Bow, Choreography Clean-ups, Music Fee, and Glitter Bookbag with Cheer South or the Logo.</u>

<u>Returning Prep Athlete Consolidated Fee Includes: -</u> Competition Registration Fees, Coaches Fees (registration & hotel stays), Practice Attire, Practice Bow and Music Fee.

<u>New Prep Athlete Consolidated Fee Includes: -</u> Competition Registration Fees, Coaches Fees (registration & hotel stays), Practice Attire, Practice Bow, Music Fee, and Glitter Bookbag with Cheer South or the Logo.

<u>Returning Novice Athlete Consolidated Fee Includes</u>:- Competition Registration Fees, Coaches Fees (registration & hotel stays), Practice Attire, Practice Bow, and Music Fee.

<u>New Novice Athlete Consolidated Booster Fee Includes: -</u> Competition Registration Fees, Coaches Fees (registration & hotel stays), Practice Attire, Practice Bow, Music Fee, and Glitter Bookbag with Cheer South or the Logo.

Half-Year Novice Athlete Consolidated Booster Fee Includes:

<u>Uniforms</u>: Cheer South purchase <u>NEW</u> uniforms every 2 years. The price ranges from \$175.00-\$515.00 depending on the program (Half-Year, Novice, Prep, Elite). The uniform will include a top, skirt, logo, and rhinestones. All Novice, Prep, Youth & Junior athletes are required to purchase the GK Elite Undercover Bodysuit. Cheer South will not purchase rental uniforms this year. Competition bows to match the uniform will be a separate fee. <u>NEW</u>- we are thinking about getting a new flashy top for Elite athlete! This is not set in stone we're just thinking about it for now!

<u>New Warmups</u>: new last season all athletes purchased a new warm-up jacket with pants. We will keep this warm up for 2 more years.

<u>Shoes:</u> We are requiring athletes/teams to wear the same cheer shoes to keep a clean/uniformed look. Please make sure that your athlete has the REQUIRED shoes by August 1st, 2025. The key to keeping your athlete's shoes looking clean and new is NOT wearing them outside of cheer. Price ranges from \$25.99 to \$115.00 depending on the shoe and the team.

<u>Choreography Camp & Fees</u>: Choreography camp days will be used to learn the new routine for the season.

Elite Team Choreography Camp: Choreography costs for Elite teams are $\frac{$350.00 \text{ per athlete.}}{$150.00 \text{ per athlete.}}$ This fee includes choreographer fees, and hotel/travel expenses. Camp is ALWAYS scheduled for the 2rd or 3rd weekend in August (Thursday to Monday). Teams/Times will be announced at the parent

Meeting. This is an extra fee NOT included in your Booster Fees and due before the 1st day of camp.

Prep Team Choreography Camp: Choreography costs for Novice & Prep Teams cost \$275.00 per athlete. This fee includes choreographer fees, and hotel/travel expenses. Camp is ALWAYS scheduled for September. After that it is a gradual process to complete. Teams/Times will be announced at the parent Meeting. This is an extra fee NOT included in your Booster Fees and due before the 1* day of camp.

<u>Team Skills Clinic</u>: Skills clinic days will be used to perfect skills and assess progress before and after choreography camp. CSA Skills Clinics is for Elite, Prep & Novice Teams: The cost is \$85.00 per athlete for 2 skills clinics. These clinics will be scheduled at the 1st parents meeting after discussing summer schedules. *This is an extra fee NOT included in your Booster Fees and due before the 1st day of camp.*

All teams will have choreography camp & skills clinics. Attendance is MANDATORY Athletes can be replaced or moved to a different team if they are not progressing before and after choreography camp.

Classes Offered:

Tumbling/Cheer Classes: Athletes who wish to participate in classes offered at Cheer South will only pay \$55.00-\$65.00 per session. Accounts <u>MUST</u> be current to take/pay for extra classes. Please see Keyshia and or Katina for more information.

Private Tumbling/Cheer Sessions: - Athletes who wish to participate in private sessions offered by a Cheer South coach/instructor will pay between \$30.00-\$60.00 per lesson depending on the instructor. Each session is 30-45 minutes MAX if working one-on-one with an instructor. Group rates are available. Accounts <u>MUST</u> be current to take/pay for extra classes. Please see Keyshia and or Katina for more information.

Team Tumbling Classes: - Cheer South Athletes are eligible to attend/drop-in team tumbling classes on Thursday's L1-L2 5:00/ L3-up @ 6:00 for \$12.00 per visit.

Discounts, Incentives, and Fundraisers:

Sibling Discount: 2nd Child 20% off tuition / 3rd Child 50% off tuition.

Loyal Legacy Rewards Program: Returning athletes are eligible for this rewards program. See handbook for eligibility guidelines as well as reward details.

Pay in Full Incentive: Tuition paid in full May 1st- May 30th, are eligible for a discount incentive. See the handbook for details.

Fundraising: Several fundraisers will be available for your athlete to participate in throughout the season (optional).

<u>Accepted Forms of Payment:</u> - NEW this season... All athletes are REQUIRED to have 1 of the following 3 forms of payment for the 2025-2026 season. Form of payment MUST be established before your athlete will be allowed to practice.

Automatic Draft: A credit card MUST be placed on file to draft all fees from accounts on the 1s of the month.

Post Dated checks: If a credit card is not placed on file, you MUST submit 11 postdated checks for fees to be drafted or deposited on the 1st of the month.

Pay up Front/ In full- If you are unable to or refuse to provide a credit card on file and or postdated checks you MUST pay your fees upfront/ in full for the season.

Hotel/ Travel Arrangements:

Elite Teams will travel approximately 1 to 2 times per month from November 2025 to April 2026 locally and out of town/state. *Prep* teams will travel once or every other month from December 2025 to April 2025. *Novice* teams will travel once or every other month from January 2026 to April 2026.

Rule 1: All participants will stay in the same hotel while traveling unless stated on the competition schedule. Most hotel accommodation will be arranged through Cheer South via Varsity Stay Smart Plan and Open Championship Series hotel blocks. We will block off a certain number of rooms at the hotel for our athletes, coaches, and their families. It is your responsibility to book your room out of the block of rooms set aside for Cheer South and to pay for your room (independently) when you arrive/depart. **Rule 2:** Cheer South will no longer arrange for transportation to and from the competitions for athletes. It will be each family's responsibility to arrange for their child's transportation if they cannot attend the event. Hotel accommodation and travel expenses (gas, food, etc.) will be your responsibility.

<u>Important Updates & Adjustments:</u>

- 1. <u>Blackout Dates:</u> These are dates/weeks that athletes will not be allowed to miss during the season.
- 2. <u>Competition Events:</u> Cheer South will return to Varsity Events for Season 25. We may attend a few IEP events in Savannah.
- 3. <u>Delinquent Accounts:</u> Athletes with delinquent accounts will not practice until the account is current. This will be STRONGLY enforced this season.
- 4. <u>End of Season Events:</u> Attendance to any End of Season event will be based on attendance, accounts, performance/success during the regular season. Poor attendance, lack of commitment, inability to hit routines and financial hardships will play a huge part in our decision to attend or not attend. We're just not going to go. We're going to be successful.
- 5. <u>Classes & Private Lessons</u>: Athletes with delinquent accounts will not be allowed to register and pay for extra classes/private lessons until the account is current. Use that money to catch up with your account not to take extra classes. Trust me- it is frowned upon.

6. <u>Forms of Payment:</u> Every athlete must have one of the forms of payments listed above to be in the program.

Possible Competitions

**These are possible events. Once the registration prices come out, we will pick 6-7 events for Elite, 4-5 for Prep and 2-3 for Novice based on price/location.

Encore Championships- United Scoring 2 Day Event Atlanta, GA November

The Cheer Challenge- United Scoring 1 Day Event Athens, GA December

Battle Under the Big Top- United Scoring 2 Day Event Duluth, GA December

JamFest Super Nationals- United Scoring 2 Day Event Indianapolis, IN January

Athletic Championships- United Scoring 2 Day Event Chattanooga, TN January

Cheer Expo- United Scoring 2 Day Event Atlanta, GA January-February

World Cheer Co.- Open Scoring 2 Day Event Savannah, GA February

CheerSport Nationals- United Scoring 2 Day Event Atlanta, GA February

UCA All-Star Nationals- United Scoring 2 Day Event Orlando, FL March **NCA Allstar Nationals moved to Houston TX** Attendance will be based on team readiness!

Maximum Cheer- United Scoring 2 Day Event Savannah, GA March

Gold Rush- Open Scoring 2 Day Event Charlotte, NC April

9 Panel- United Scoring 2 Day Event Savannah, GA April

NCA Daytona- United Scoring 1 Day Event Daytona Beach FL April

Tryout Registration Cost: New Athlete-\$50.00/ Returning Team Athlete-\$FREE.

<u>USASF Age Grid:</u> Significant changes were made to the age grid for the 2025-2026 season.

**For more information about the entire grid please
visit- https://usasfmain.s3.amazonaws.com/Rules/2023-24/USASF Cheer Ages 23-24.pdf

Team Announcement:

TBA... Athletes will be placed in levels based on tumbling skills at the time of tryouts, stunting skills and age eligibility. <u>Teams will be based on the same criteria</u>. There's a place for everyone at <u>Cheer South All-Stars! No child will be turned away!</u>

MANDATORY Parent Meeting: Monday, May 5th, 2025 @ 6:00 PM. All paperwork & startup fees are due any time before this date. Athletes (old & new) will need to have a representative present at this meeting. This is the MOST IMPORTANT MEETING of the season! The meeting agenda will consist of: Financial/Physical Commitment, Athlete/Parent Handbook, Fundraisers, and an Open Discussion on the 2025-2026 competition season... practices, choreography, elite skill camps and competition dates will be discussed. Wednesday, May 7th, 2025, will be the first team OPEN practice for all athletes.

Cheer South owners and coaches reserve the right to place athletes on teams based on skills at tryouts and or keep teams together season to season.

Please use the following link to register an evaluation-

https://tinyurl.com/CSAseason27AllstarRegistration