



## **1. Mission Statement**

To build a child spiritually, mentally, and physically in order to develop the tools necessary to succeed not only in competitive cheer and dance, but also in life.

## **2. Eligibility**

Our goal is to positively effect the lives of our athletes at all ages and ability levels. We offer programs for ages 3-17 years old and for all skill levels. Experience is NOT necessary to join; all you need is a positive attitude and a willingness to do your very best! Our coaches will take it from there. All children that apply will be accepted without prejudice of race creed or color.

## **3. Membership**

Registration is \$50.00 (non-refundable) yearly for each participant. Uniform Deposits are non-refundable after orders have been placed. Competition fees are non-refundable after event deadline.

## **4. Financial Responsibilities**

Tuition is due by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. You may pay by cash or check. There is a \$35.00 fee for all returned check.

## **5. Monthly Tuition**

- Flickers (3-5 yrs old) - \$50.00
- Firecrackers (6-8 yrs old) - \$50.00
- Flames (9 yrs old and above) - \$50.00
- Dance (all ages) - \$35.00

Note: Any cheerleader who chooses to be on a dance team in addition to their cheer team will receive 50% discount on their dance team tuition. Families with multiple children participating will be given a 15% discount on the second child and a 25% discount on each consecutive child thereafter.

## **6. Program Rules**

- **Tardiness and Absences:** Tardiness is defined as 5 minutes late to practice or leaving early. Excessive tardiness and absences may result in dismissal from the team. Please plan vacations and other activities during scheduled gym breaks. (See attached) In this packet there is an Absence Request Form. Please fill out as soon as you know your schedule and turn it in to your Team Parent or Coach. Contagious illness is an excused absence. If a member just has a head cold or isn't feeling well, he/she is still expected to attend practice and participate as much as possible. Please call or email the gym to notify coaches of an absence prior to practice.

- **Dress Code:** No biker shorts, baggy shorts or baggy shirts. All cell phones will be turned off when entering the gym. NO JEWELRY!! Including ears, nose, tongue, eye brow or belly button rings. Wearing these during practices could result in injury to your child or another. Wearing jewelry is also not allowed at any of our competitions and could result in a penalty to our teams. When practice shirts arrive they are to be worn to each practice. **Fingernails should be kept short. No artificial/fake fingernails.**
- **Practice Participation:** Only Coaches, cheerleaders or dancers are allowed in the gym area. No one is allowed to talk to cheerleaders, dancers or coaches while they are in a practice session.
- **Personal Conduct:** Gossiping about other cheerleaders, dancers, coaches or parents will not be tolerated from parents and/or cheerleaders/dancers. If you have any questions that need immediate attention please address them with the team coach or team director. Please feel free to speak to your coaches about anything. Please just take into consideration the right time to discuss important matters. No profanity or abusive language is permitted. No public displays of affection with boyfriends or girlfriends will be allowed at practices, competitions or any function that our cheerleaders attend. Additionally, no smoking, drinking or use of illegal drugs will be tolerated.

**GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AND POLITE MANNERS ARE MANDATORY AT ALL TIMES AT DURING COMPETITIONS AND PRACTICES. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED NOT ONLY FOR OUR TALENT ON THE FLOOR BUT OUR KIND AND COURTEOUS ATTITUDE OFF THE FLOOR.**

### **7. Injuries and conditioning**

Parents need to know that cheerleading is a highly competitive and dangerous sport. The stunt and tumbling could lead to injuries. These include but are not limited to bruises, pulled and strained muscles, torn or sprained ligaments, broken bones, dislocations, paralysis, or even death. We at Destiny Extreme take every precaution to limit these injuries. Unfortunately, we can't prevent them all. In the event that your child injured, we will take every necessary step to ensure your child's well being.

### **8. General Information**

Practices may be changed and/or added throughout the season. It is the parent's responsibility to know what is going on with their child's team throughout the season. Check out our website, your emails, your child's folder and talk to your team parent regularly, especially if you are unclear about any team information given out.

Removing your child from practices and/or competitions should not be used as punishment for their actions outside the gym. You will be punishing each child on the team as well as the coaches. We will always do our best to work with our cheerleaders extra curricular activities at school, however if those activities conflict with our mandatory practices and competitions, you will have to choose which activity you will continue.

### **9. Fundraising**

Individual Fundraising is optional. The money raised will be used towards purchase of uniform/accessories & competition fees. Donations to, and fund raising for, team funds or charity projects may be conducted as agreed by the Fundraising committee and coaches/administrators.

Organizational fundraising efforts (car washes, group fundraisers, etc..) will be set aside for squad expenses, coach's expenses, administration fees, etc.

Parent Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Cheerleaders Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_