

**Easley Parks and Recreation Dept.
Competition Cheer
Parent Information**

Your child has indicated her desire to be a competition cheerleader for the Easley Parks and Recreation Department. We are very excited about the possibility of starting this squad. We truly believe that the sport of cheerleading will give your child the opportunity to build self-confidence, stay healthy and have a lot of fun. There are certain responsibilities and obligations that squad members must assume to be considered for a position on a squad. Please read all the information and discuss the commitment in length with your child. We take our responsibility to this program very seriously and we expect the same level of commitment from all our participants.

**Cheer Coordinator- Alecia Dover
Head Coach- Kaitlyn Dover**

Mini Camps

We will hold 4 tryout mini clinics for any interested girls ages 6 to 12. The dates are May 16, May 21, May 30 and June 4 6-7:30. It is not mandatory to attend all clinics but is recommended.

Tryouts

Tryouts will be held on June 17th 6-7:30. Only coaches and support assistants will be allowed in the gym during clinic and tryouts.

Practices

Practices will begin June 18th 6-8:00pm. All practices will be closed to observers but showcases will be held throughout the season.

Requirements

More is expected from competition cheerleaders than other recreation cheerleaders. They have more practices and traveling. They are expected to give 100% to their team. There will be times when they must sacrifice. When a participant starts this program, they are expected to follow thru to the end.

Attendance

Practices are very important. When one person is missing the whole team suffers. This sport is unique in the aspect that all team members are needed," no one" sits on the bench and there are NO alternates. Practices are to be considered Mandatory. We will do everything within our power to provide practice schedules in advance; however, there may be some extra-unplanned practices to work on problem areas. We can not express enough the importance of your child being at practices. **There will be a week of choreography camp that will be scheduled during July or early August.

Parents and Guardians

Parents will be expected to participate in many aspects of the season. You will be responsible for getting your cheerleader to practice, competition, and other functions On Time. If for any reason this becomes a problem, please talk to a coach or another parent about helping with transportation.

Football cheerleading

It is required if your child plans to cheer at the high school level.

Competitions

We will attend 4 local competitions. It is very important that all cheerleaders are at every competition. We are going to do our best to attend the same competitions as the high school. These are the dates and tentative competitions that we will attend.

Sept. 28 Easley High School
Oct. 5 Daniel High School
Oct. 12 Traveler's Rest or Powdersville
Oct. 19 Dorman or Carolina Classic

Expenses

Parents are responsible to pay the full amount by July 31st 2019. This COST MAY change based on the amount of cheerleaders as well uniform needs.

****Tumbling is a must to be able to compete at the high level of competition that we will face during the competition season. I am listing some options for tumbling programs that would benefit your cheerleader. Please consider contacting these programs and begin preparing now.**

Walhalla Power tumbling----
1109 N. Catherine Street, Walhalla SC
Tim Belknap 906-5257

Carolina Power----
9797 Anderson Road Piedmont, SC 29673
Wes Smith 616-2525 or after 3:30 787-5223

Courtney Scott
Norris Rec Center
864-508-0546

COST FOR THE 2019 SEASON!

Cost Breakdown!

Uniform

Uniform-\$100 (This is the same that is used for football cheer.)

Midriff, shoes and competition bow- \$90

- Every cheerleader needs a pair of black, green and white shorts as well as white, green and black plain t-shirts

Camps

Choreography \$100 per cheerleader

Music \$15 per cheerleader (based on 20 girls)

Fees

Local Entry Fees: \$ 15 per cheerleader (based on 20 girls)

Total: *(In addition to the registration fee)*

\$320 (This includes entire uniform.)

\$220 (Without uniform)

***There may be optional items offered throughout the season for extra cost.**

***Fundraising opportunities may be offered before registration is paid.**