



DCA Cheer Season: 2020-2021

Welcome to DCA's Cheer Program for 2020-2021. This will mark our 12th cheer season and we are happy to offer several programs this year that we think will serve many different skill, age and program levels. In addition to our "short season" programs that run December - April, we have added some programs that start in September for those of you looking to cheer in the fall.

Tuition: includes all practices and tumbling classes happening inside the gym and will be collected on a monthly basis.

Team Fees Include: uniform, practice wear, shoes, bows, administrative fees, organization memberships, choreography, music, coach travel and competition registration fees. These will be divided up and collected throughout the season.

Competitions: We have planned for a set competition schedule for each team (see following pages) but with COVID and the risk of possible cancellations thought the year, we will collect competition payments as we are certain they will be allowed. Also, we may participate in virtual competitions if needed. We ask for everyone's patience and understanding as we go through this competitive season.

Discounts: 20% off tuition for siblings; if you are a returning cheerleader from short season 2020 and have a uniform from last year, you will not be charged for a new uniform.

Fundraising: We will be offering several optional fundraising opportunities throughout the year.

Other Expenses:

- Optional extra tumbling class/week during the cheer season: \$65/mo
- All costs associated with any travel (responsibility of each family)
- Admission costs to competitions for spectators
- Optional spirit wear for kids and parents
- Black practice shorts- you provide your own black practice shorts.
- "Team Parent" fee-usually collected by a volunteer team parent for gifts, posters, treats for the athletes throughout the season from the parents. Usually around \$25 and this is taken care of by a volunteer team parent.
- Competition fees for any additional bid-winning competitions that may be added to schedule if teams qualify.

DCA 3/4 Season All Star Team(s)

Athletes will be evaluated on tumbling, jumps, motions and individual stunt technique (no stunting at this time). Team(s) will be either Prep, Elite or Non-Building depending on skill level and if Illinois is still mandating no contact for competitive cheer. ***We encourage athletes and parents alike to not worry about the level but focus on the ability to learn skills and better yourself as a cheerleader while having fun being able to do the sport that you love!***

Ages: Youth (6-11), Junior (9-14)

Tryouts: Saturday August 22, 1-3pm- no fee (previous cheer or tumbling experience required)

Team Announcement: Monday August 24 via email

Parent Meeting: Via Zoom Thursday August 27th, ~ 6pm

Practice Schedule: Schedule subject to change and depends on how many teams we have but plan for 1-2 weeknights + Saturdays. Tumbling will happen at every practice but we encourage everyone to take an additional tumbling class at a discount (\$65/mo). Practices will start the week of August 31st.

Competition Schedule:

Exact competitions and locations will be announced further in the season but for now you can use these weekends to save the dates for competitions we plan to attend. Competitions will all be in the mid-west/within driving distance and competitions may be virtual depending on Illinois mandates, competition company requirements, etc.

December 12/13

January 23/24

February 6/7

February 27/28 or March 6/7

March 13/14

Fees:

Tuition & Team Fees: ~\$2342 and includes tuition, admin fees, memberships, practice wear and shoes, competitive uniform, music, choreography and bows.

Competition Fees & Coach Travel: \$70- \$140/competition and the goal is to do 5 competitions.

DCA Beginner Cheer - Momentum

DCA's Momentum is a long-standing program here at DuPage Cheer & Power Tumbling that introduces cheer to our younger athletes with little to no cheer experience without taking up too much time. Athletes will learn cheer motions, jumps, a dance, practice individual stunting technique (until we can stunt when Illinois mandate is lifted) and then put a routine together. Momentum will be an exhibition/showcase performance program and athletes can register for one or both sessions.

Ages: 3-6 (Tiny team) and/or 5-8 (Mini team)

Registration: No tryouts for this program- beginners welcome! Fall session register by September 2nd

Parent Meeting: Thursday September 3rd via Zoom, ~ 6pm

Practice Schedule:

Practice schedule subject to change. Once we have registrations in we will know if we are offering a Tiny and/or a Mini team and can then schedule Saturday practice times.

Fall Session - September - December

Saturdays afternoons + you pick your weekday tumbling class

Winter Session - January - April (registration will begin in December)

Saturdays afternoons + you pick your weekday tumbling class

Performance/Showcase Schedule:

December 11- 13 - In-House showcase + Exhibition Performance weekend (Fall Session)

April 9-11 - In-House showcase + Exhibition Performance weekend (Winter Session)

Fees:

Total cost: \$740 for Fall OR Winter Session; or \$1365 for BOTH sessions

DCA Half Season All Star Team(s)

DCA's tradition cheer program we call "short season" or "half season" which always allowed cheerleaders to cheer for their recreational teams in the fall and then continue their love for cheer and explore the Allstar side of cheer during the winter/spring. Athletes will be evaluated on tumbling, jumps, motions and individual stunt technique (if we cannot stunt at time of tryout). Team(s) will be either Prep, Elite or Non-Building depending on skill level and if Illinois is still mandating no contact for competitive cheer. ***We encourage athletes and parents alike to not worry about the level but focus on the ability to learn skills and better yourself as a cheerleader while having fun being able to do the sport that you love!***

Ages: Youth (6-11), Junior (9- 14)

Tryouts: Tentatively Tuesday December 8th (previous cheer or tumbling experience required)

Team Announcement: Thursday December 10th via email

Parent Meeting: Via Zoom Friday December 11th, ~ 6:00pm

Practice Schedule: Schedule subject to change and depends on how many teams we have but plan for 1-2 weeknights + Friday night OR Saturday practice. Extra tumbling class encouraged for a discount (\$65/mo). Practices will start on Saturday December 12th.

Competition Schedule:

Exact competitions and locations will be announced further in the season but for now you can use these weekends to save the dates for competitions we plan to attend. Competitions will all be in the mid-west/within driving distance and we will attend 3-4 competitions.

March 6/7
March 13/14
April 10/11
May 1/2

Fees:

Tuition & Team Fees: ~\$1724 and includes tuition, admin fees, memberships, practice wear and shoes, competitive uniform, music, choreography and bows.

Competition & Coach Travel Fees will be around \$70- \$140/competition and the goal is to do 3-4 competitions.