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BLACKWATCH ALL-STARS TRYOUT PACKET

2026-2027 SEASON

TRYOUT CLINIC: MAY 18-20 | 5:00-6:30PM

TRYOUT EVALUATION: MAY 21 | 5-7PM

PLACEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT: MAY 23RD



Tryout Checklist



Please review the checklist below to ensure your athlete is fully prepared for the BlackWatch All-Stars Tryout Clinic. Tiny Novice athletes are only required to attend the Tryout Evaluation on May 21st and are not required to attend the Tryout Clinic.

Required Paperwork

The following forms must be completed and submitted prior to or at the start of the Tryout Clinic:

- Athlete Registration Form
- Family Contact Form
- Medical Consent Form
- Liability Waiver
- Team Placement Policy Acknowledgment
- Tryout Clinic Acknowledgment
- Program Commitment Acknowledgment

What to Wear at Tryouts

Athletes should arrive dressed appropriately for athletic activity and prepared to participate fully.

Recommended attire:

- Athletic shorts or spandex
- Sports bra or fitted athletic top
- Cheer shoes or athletic shoes
- Hair pulled back securely
- No jewelry

Athletes should bring a water bottle and arrive ready to warm up and participate in all evaluations.

What Athletes Will Be Evaluated On

During the Tryout Clinic and final evaluation session, athletes will be evaluated in several areas including:

- Tumbling skills and technique
- Jumps and flexibility
- Stunting ability and body control
- Motions and performance quality
- Strength, conditioning, and athleticism
- Attitude, coachability, and teamwork

Important Information

- Attendance at the 3-Day Tryout Clinic is mandatory for all athletes EXCEPT those interested in Tiny Novice teams. Tiny Novice athletes are only required to attend the Tryout Evaluation on May 21st and are not required to participate in the 3-Day Tryout Clinic.
- A final evaluation session will take place to assess tumbling and finalize placements.
- Team placements will be sent via email on the designated placement date.
- Families will have 48 hours after placements are released to decline placement if they choose not to participate in the program. If no withdrawal is submitted within this window, the athlete will be considered to have accepted their team placement and will be required to complete program registration and contract documentation.

For questions regarding tryouts or the upcoming season, please contact: ashley@blackwatchsports.com

Tryout & Evaluation Overview



BlackWatch All-Stars uses a structured evaluation process to determine team placements for the upcoming season. Our goal is to place each athlete on a team where they can safely develop their skills, contribute to team success, and grow as an athlete within our program.

The tryout process allows our coaching staff to evaluate athletes in multiple areas including skill level, technique, strength, performance ability, and overall readiness for team placement.

Mandatory Tryout Clinic

All athletes interested in joining BlackWatch All-Stars must participate in the 3-Day Tryout Clinic. All athletes interested in joining BlackWatch All-Stars must participate in the 3-Day Tryout Clinic. (Exception: Athletes trying out for Tiny Novice teams are not required to attend the clinic and will instead be evaluated during the Tryout Evaluation session.)

During the clinic, athletes will train with coaching staff and be evaluated in several areas including:

- Stunting ability and body control
- Jumps and flexibility
- Motion technique and performance quality
- Strength, conditioning, and athleticism
- Coachability and teamwork

The clinic allows coaches to observe athletes in a practice-style environment, helping ensure accurate and thoughtful team placements.

Tiny Novice Evaluation Process:

Tiny athletes will participate in a simplified evaluation focused on age-appropriate skills, coordination, and coachability to determine team placement.

Final Evaluation

Following the clinic, a Final Evaluation Session will be held to evaluate tumbling skills and allow coaches to finalize team placements.

This session allows athletes to demonstrate standing and running tumbling in order to determine the most appropriate team placement.

Team Placement

Team placements are determined by program leadership based on several factors including:

- Athlete skill level and readiness
- Age eligibility
- Team needs and roster balance
- Athlete attitude, work ethic, and coachability

Participation in the tryout process does not guarantee placement on a specific team or level.

Once placements are finalized, families will receive an email with their athlete's team placement and next steps for the upcoming season.

Program Pathway



BlackWatch All-Stars offers several levels of All-Star cheerleading designed to support athletes at different stages of development. Our program pathway allows athletes to build strong fundamentals, develop advanced skills, and progress within the program as they grow.

Each team is structured to provide athletes with the training, experience, and competitive opportunities appropriate for their skill level and readiness.

Mini / Novice

Mini and Novice teams are designed for younger athletes or those newer to All-Star cheerleading. These teams focus on building strong fundamentals, confidence, and performance skills in a supportive team environment.

Athletes will learn proper technique in jumps, motions, tumbling, and stunting while gaining valuable competition experience.

Prep

Prep teams provide athletes with a competitive All-Star experience while maintaining a slightly lower commitment level than higher-tier teams. These teams focus on skill progression, teamwork, and preparing athletes for more advanced levels of All-Star cheer.

Athletes will perform choreographed routines and compete at select local and regional competitions.

Prep Elite / Elite

The Elite and Prep Elite programs represent the highest level of All-Star cheerleading offered at BlackWatch All-Stars. These teams are designed for athletes who are highly committed to competitive cheerleading and are ready for advanced training, performance expectations, and a full All-Star season experience.

Athletes in these programs train at a high level with a focus on strong execution, consistency, performance quality, and team accountability. These teams require a significant commitment in time, effort, and preparation.

Elite and Prep Elite teams follow similar training structures, expectations, and competition schedules. The primary difference between the two is the division in which they compete.

- Elite teams compete within the USASF Elite divisions at highly competitive regional and national events
- Prep Elite teams compete within the USASF Prep divisions while maintaining the same training intensity and program expectations

Athletes in both programs are expected to demonstrate dedication, coachability, strong technical skills, and the ability to perform in a fast-paced and competitive environment.

Tryout Timeline



Below is the timeline for the BlackWatch All-Stars 2026–2027 tryout process. This schedule allows athletes to be properly evaluated and ensures families understand each step leading into the upcoming season.

Mandatory 3-Day Tryout Clinic

Athletes will attend the scheduled tryout clinic where they will train with coaching staff and be evaluated in areas such as stunting, jumps, motions, performance quality, and overall readiness for team placement.

Final Tumbling Evaluation

Following the clinic, a Drop-In Tryout Final Evaluation Session will be held to evaluate tumbling skills and allow coaches to finalize team placements.

Team Placements Released

Team placements will be sent via email on the designated placement release date.

Placements are determined by program leadership based on skill level, age eligibility, team needs, and overall roster composition.

Placement Response Window

Families will have 48 hours after placements are released to review their athlete's placement and confirm participation in the program.

Instructions regarding acceptance and next steps will be included in the placement email.

Season Kick-Off

Following team placements, athletes will begin practices with their assigned team as we begin preparation for the upcoming competition season.

Team Placement & Program Commitment



BlackWatch All-Stars is committed to placing each athlete on a team where they can safely develop their skills, contribute to team success, and grow within the program.

Our evaluation process allows coaches to carefully assess each athlete's abilities and determine the most appropriate team placement.

Team Placement Process

Team placements are determined by program leadership based on several factors including:

- Skill level and readiness
- Age eligibility according to USASF guidelines
- Team needs and roster balance
- Athlete attitude, work ethic, and coachability

Participation in the tryout process does not guarantee placement on a specific team or level.

Program Commitment

All families are required to complete required tryout paperwork prior to the start of the Tryout Clinic. Program contracts will be issued following team placements and must be completed to secure an athlete's roster spot.

Participation in tryouts indicates interest in joining the BlackWatch All-Stars program. Final commitment is confirmed upon acceptance of team placement and completion of program registration. Acceptance of a team placement and completion of registration confirms the athlete's commitment to the full All-Star season. If BlackWatch All-Stars is unable to place an athlete on a team, no placement withdrawal fee will be applied.

All athletes are required to maintain enrollment in a weekly tumbling class as part of their participation in the All-Star program. **Exception:** Tiny Novice athletes are not required to enroll in a separate tumbling class

Placement Notification

Team placements will be sent to families via email on the designated placement release date.

Placements are determined by program leadership based on athlete skill level, age eligibility, team needs, and overall roster composition.

Team placements are final and will not be adjusted once announced. Placement decisions are based on multiple evaluation factors and are made with the overall success and safety of the program in mind.

To ensure fairness and consistency for all athletes, BlackWatch All-Stars staff will not engage in discussions regarding team placements.

Placement Withdrawal Window

Families will have 48 hours after placements are released to decline their athlete's placement if they choose not to participate in the program.

Families will have 48 hours after placements are released to decline their athlete's placement if they choose not to participate in the program. If a family elects to withdraw during this window, a \$250 placement withdrawal fee will apply.

If BlackWatch All-Stars is unable to place an athlete on a team, no placement withdrawal fee will be applied. If BlackWatch All-Stars is unable to place an athlete on a team, no placement withdrawal fee will be applied.



Athlete Evaluation Number
(Office Use Only)

REGISTRATION FORM

Athlete Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Age:** _____ **Birth YEAR:** _____

Current School and Grade: _____

Number of Years In All-Star/School Cheer: _____

Athlete Skills - Please List Most Advanced Skills

Tumbling Skills (Standing & Running) _____

Would you be interested in representing more than one team? Yes No

What is your PREFERRED PROGRAM LEVEL to be on? (Circle)

Novice / Mini Prep Prep Elite / Elite

What is your PREFERRED position? (Circle)

Flyer Base Backspot No preference

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Primary Email For Placement: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____



Athlete Evaluation Number
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FAMILY CONTACT FORM

Athlete Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip Code: _____

Name of Parent OR Legal guardian: _____

Relationship to Athlete: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

Name of Parent OR Legal guardian: _____

Relationship to Athlete: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

Athlete's Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Contact

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

PAIN RELIEVER/MEDICAL CONSENT

BlackWatch All-Stars will not provide Tylenol, Ibuprofen or Aleve to any athlete without written permission and consent from a parent or guardian.

Please indicate your preference by checking the appropriate option along with your signature.

NO, I do not want medication provided to my child.

YES, my child may be provided any of the medication listed above.

YES, my child may be provided and administered medicine only from the following list:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT STATEMENT

I, the parent/guardian of _____, give permission to BlackWatch All-Stars staff and any medical team to seek emergency medical attention for my child or to transport my child for emergency medical treatment if my emergency contact or I cannot be reached.

Telephone Numbers:

Day: (____) ____-____ Evening: (____) ____-____

Emergency: (____) ____-____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Athletes Name: _____

Athletes Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____



BLACKWATCH ALL-STARS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of participating in the BlackWatch All-Star program, I represent that I (we) Understand that injury can occur in the sport of cheer and by participating in this sport I (we) Accept responsibility for this and hereby release and discharge any and all possible claims and causes of action for the personal injuries and/or medical expenses, pain and suffering, and all other claims against BlackWatch, its instructors, employees, officers, directors and any other individuals employed by or acting on behalf of BlackWatch. I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for the losses, cost, and damages I incur because of my participation in the BlackWatch Allstar Program.

I have read the RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, and understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid that balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

Name of Athlete: _____

Athlete Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: ____/____/____



TEAM CLINIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

BlackWatch All-Stars utilizes a structured evaluation process to determine team placements for the upcoming season. This process allows coaching staff to properly assess athlete readiness, skill level, and team fit.

All athletes participating in tryouts are required to attend the 3-Day Tryout Clinic. During this clinic, athletes will train with coaching staff and be evaluated in areas including stunting, jumps, tumbling, motion technique, performance quality, strength, and overall coachability.

Following the clinic, a final evaluation session will be held to evaluate tumbling and allow coaches to finalize team placements.

Participation in the tryout process does not guarantee placement on a specific team or level.

I understand that team placements are a significant commitment and are made based on team needs and roster structure.

I understand that if my athlete is offered a team placement, I will have 48 hours to accept or decline the position.

I acknowledge that if I decline or withdraw from my athlete's placement within this window, a \$250 placement withdrawal fee will apply.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I understand the tryout and evaluation process for BlackWatch All-Stars.

Athlete Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____



TEAM PLACEMENT POLICY

BlackWatch All-Stars is committed to creating teams that allow athletes to develop safely, grow their skills, and contribute to the overall success of the program.

Team placements are determined by program leadership after careful evaluation of each athlete during the tryout process.

Placements are based on multiple factors including:

- Skill level and readiness
- Age eligibility according to USASF guidelines
- Stunting ability and body control
- Tumbling ability and consistency
- Overall team needs and roster balance
- Athlete attitude, effort, and coachability

Because team success depends on a balanced roster and athlete safety, placements are not based on a single skill or position.

Participation in the tryout process does not guarantee placement on a specific team or level.

All team placement decisions made by BlackWatch All-Stars staff are final.

To ensure fairness and consistency for all athletes, BlackWatch All-Stars staff will not engage in discussions or debates regarding team placements.

Families who choose not to accept their athlete's placement may follow the 48-hour placement withdrawal policy outlined in the program contract.

Placement Acceptance Policy

I understand that by participating in tryouts, I am reserving a position in the program and agree to the placement policies outlined above.

I understand that if my athlete is offered a team placement, I will have 48 hours to accept or decline the position.

I acknowledge that if I decline placement after teams are formed, a \$250 placement withdrawal fee will be applied to my account.

Acknowledgement

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the BlackWatch All-Stars Team Placement Policy.

Athlete Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____



PROGRAM COMMITMENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT

By signing below, I acknowledge and understand the following regarding participation in the BlackWatch All-Stars program:

- All required tryout paperwork must be completed prior to the start of the Tryout Clinic.
- Participation in the Tryout Clinic indicates our family's intent to participate in the BlackWatch All-Stars program if a team placement is offered.
- Team placements will be released following the tryout process.
- Families will have 48 hours after placements are announced to decline placement. If a family elects to withdraw during this window, a \$250 placement withdrawal fee will apply.
- If withdrawal is not submitted within the 48-hour window, the athlete will be considered fully committed to the season and all financial obligations outlined in the program contract. At that time, families will be required to complete all program registration and contract documentation to secure their athlete's roster position.
- If withdrawal is not submitted within the 48-hour window, the athlete will be considered fully committed to the season and all financial obligations outlined in the program contract.

Athlete Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____



Athlete Name: _____

Athlete Evaluation Number
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ATHLETE: DO NOT FILL THIS OUT! THIS IS TO BE COMPLETED BY STAFF ON TRYOUT DAY!

Tumbling Evaluation Checklist: (Evaluators, please **HIGHLIGHT** skills that athlete performs **PROFICIENTLY**)

Level One Beginner:

STANDING	RUNNING	SPECIALITY
Push Up To Backbend Cartwheel Lunge Bridge Kickover Fall to Bridge	Power Hurdle Cartwheel Cartwheel Series Forward Roll Cartwheel	---

Level One Elite:

STANDING	RUNNING	SPECIALITY
Front Walkover Back Walkover Back Walkover Series Back walkover Switch Leg	Round Off Cartwheel Back Walkover Front Walkover - CW - BWO	Back Extension Roll Handstand Forward Roll Valdez

Level Two Elite:

STANDING	RUNNING	SPECIALITY
BWO - BHS BHS Step Out BWO Switch Leg - BHS BHS Step Out - BWO - BHS	RO - BHS Series RO - BHS Step Out FWO - RO - BHS/Serieis	Valdez - BHS Front Handspring CW - BHS Step Out- BWO - BHS

Level Three Elite:

STANDING	RUNNING	SPECIALITY
BWO - BHS Series BHS - BHS - BHS BHS Step Out - BWO- BHS-BHS JUMP - BHS - JUMP - BHS	RO - Tuck FWO - RO - Tuck RO - BHS - BHS - Tuck	Punch Front Ariel Jump - BHS - BHS FWO - RO - BHS - Tuck RO - BHS Step out - ½ Turn - RO - Tuck

Comments:

