**🌟 Welcome to Radiant Allstar Cheer and Tumble! 🌟**

We are so excited to welcome you to the Radiant family! Thank you for your interest in becoming a part of something truly special. Radiant Allstar Cheer and Tumble is a family-owned and operated program built on passion, positivity, and purpose. Every season, we grow stronger together—both as athletes and as a united cheer family.

Our mission is to provide a high-energy, empowering environment where athletes are encouraged to shine brightly—on and off the mat. We believe in building confident, resilient, and hardworking individuals through teamwork, dedication, and discipline.

At Radiant, success is not just measured by trophies—it’s measured by growth, commitment, and heart. Our coaching staff is here to guide, challenge, and motivate you on every step of the way. With your passion and effort, the possibilities are endless!

Please read through the following expectations carefully. If you have any questions, we’re just a call or message away. Let’s make this season unforgettable—we’re so glad you’re here!

— With Love XOXO,
The Radiant Allstar Staff

Team Expectations

* **Practice Commitment**:
All elite and prep teams will practice 2–3 times per week for 2–3 hours per session. This schedule begins in June. Practices may fall on weekdays or weekends (Friday–Sunday). Extra practices may be added as needed and are included in your monthly tuition. Practice frequency may vary, but tuition remains consistent regardless of the number of sessions.
* **Novice & Exhibition Teams**:
These teams will meet twice per week, with the potential for **mandatory extra practices** leading up to competitions.
* **Attendance Policy**:
Attendance is essential to our success! The **only excused absence** is for a graded school function (documentation required). Please submit school cheer schedules ASAP so we can do our best to accommodate them. Unexcused absences include part-time jobs, social events, family trips (outside of approved vacation), and other extracurriculars.
* **Competition Week**:
No absences are allowed the **week of or weekend before** a competition. Missing practice during this time may result in a change in placement or removal from the routine.
* **Summer Vacations**:
Athletes are allowed to miss **up to four practices** over the summer for family vacations. However, attendance is **mandatory** for Skills Camp, Stunt Camp, and Choreography Camp.
* **Injury Notification**:
If your athlete is injured, please notify us immediately. Radiant reserves the right to adjust placements if an athlete is unable to safely perform.
* **Dress Code**:
Radiant practice wear must be worn to ALL practices. Missing pieces = conditioning. Cheer shoes are required at **all times** in the gym.
* **Gym Etiquette**:
	+ No jewelry allowed during training.
	+ Please **arrive early** and be ready to start on time.
	+ No use of trampolines or equipment without coach supervision.
	+ Respect the space—no loud play or disruptions before class begins.
	+ Only athletes and staff may enter the gym area. Parents may not spot or assist during practices or events.
	+ All tumbling must be supervised by a qualified instructor.
* **Lost & Found**:
Items left behind will be kept in Lost & Found for two weeks before being donated—please label belongings!

We are thrilled to kick off our first season full of passion, progress, and positivity. Let’s light up the floor and show the world what Radiant is all about! 💫

Team Placement

At Radiant, every athlete is seen, valued, and placed with care and purpose. Our team placements are designed to create the best possible environment for each athlete to grow, succeed, and SHINE.

We take pride in building teams that are not only competitive but also cohesive, supportive, and aligned with our values of effort and energy.

How Teams Are Formed

Athletes are placed on teams based on two main factors:
**1. Age**
**2. Skill Level**

Each division has different requirements, and we carefully consider more than just what an athlete *can* do—we consider what will help them *thrive*. That includes maturity, experience, consistency, coachability, and performance readiness.

We always prioritize placing athletes in a setting that supports their personal development and long-term success.

Skill Level Breakdown

During evaluations, we look at the **whole athlete**—including their **tumbling, stunts, jumps, memory, and performance quality**. Our goal is to form well-balanced teams where each member plays a key role in team success.

Here’s how we define skill tiers:

* **Performance Ready** – Confident, consistent execution with show-ready technique. (Typically Elite-level)
* **Mastered** – Solid, consistent execution with strong fundamentals. (Typically Prep-level)
* **Basic** – Developing the skill with support, working toward consistency. (Typically Novice-level)

Each skill is viewed in context—athletes must **maintain** their skill level throughout the season in order to stay on their assigned team.

Flexibility & Growth

As athletes grow, teams may shift. Radiant reserves the right to **adjust placements at any time** during the season based on performance, safety, team needs, or individual progression. These adjustments can move an athlete *up* or *down* and are never a reflection of failure—only part of the journey forward.

After tryouts, athletes will first be grouped into **workout groups** based on evaluation results. Final team rosters will be officially set during **Choreography Camp**.

TRUST THE PROCESS

We kindly ask that you trust our coaching team and leadership throughout the placement process. Team placements are made collaboratively with the entire program in mind. Our staff does **not** determine divisions ahead of time, and respectfully, we ask that you refrain from requesting early insight or speculating about placements.

Let’s focus on supporting one another, avoiding gossip, and celebrating every athlete’s progress. This journey is about more than a level—it's about how we lift each other higher.

At Radiant, everyone has a place to shine. We’re proud of every single athlete and can’t wait to watch you grow, glow, and give it your all this season! 🌟

**Estimated Expenses by Team – 2025–2026 Season**

| **Expense** | **Elite** | **Prep** | **Novice** | **Exhibition** | **Due Date** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Registration | $55 | $55 | $55 | $55 | At registration |
| Monthly Tuition | $225/month | $200/month | $185/month | $165/Month | 1st of each month |
| Practice Wear | $200 | $200 | $200 | $100 | July 1st  |
| Uniform | $450 | $450 | $450 | $450 | July 1st  |
| Cheer Bow | $45 | $45 | $45 | $45 | August 1st  |
| Cheer Shoes  | $140 | $140 | $140 | $140 | July 1st  |
| Choreography & Music | $400 | $375 | $300 | $250 | August 1st  |
| Competition Fees | $800-$1050 | $800-$1050 | $650-$900 | $500-$650 | 3 installments: Aug, Sept, Oct |
| Coaches’ Fees | $275 | $275 | $250 | $190 | 3 installments:Aug, Sept, Oct |
| Backpack  | $130 | $130 | $130 | $130 | Sept 1st  |

* **Note:** Prices are estimates and subject to change.
* This does not include additional travel and hotel expenses. Fees do not include private lessons or optional extras.
* 50% off tumbling classes comes as an additional incentive.

Additional Expenses to Keep in Mind

While the chart of estimated expenses outlines the core items, please note:

* **Travel & Lodging:** Not included in listed fees. These are the responsibility of each family for out-of-town competitions, All Star Worlds, or Summit.
* **All Star Worlds/Summit (Elite & Prep Teams Only):** Should your team receive a **bid** to these prestigious events, extra costs will apply. These **may** include:
	+ Custom tank top
	+ Coach travel fees
	+ Flight, hotel, food, and event registration (if a paid bid is not awarded)

Elite & Prep athletes and families should plan for this possibility—we believe in your team and expect you to shine on the national stage!

**Billing & Payment Policies**

We’ve designed a billing process that is simple, consistent, and fair for everyone.

| **Policy** | **Details** |
| --- | --- |
| **Tuition** | Auto-drafted on the **1st of every month** |
| **Late Fee** | $25 late fee after the 6th, plus $5 per day thereafter |
| **Non-Payment Consequences** | Athletes may not participate until the balance is resolved. Risk of removal after the 15th of the month. |
| **Accepted Payment Methods** | *We do not accept checks or cash.* A valid card or ACH must be on file in iClassPro |
| **Sibling Discount** | Full tuition for highest-level athlete; with an additional 25% off the lower level athletes monthly tuition. |
| **Rolling Balances** | Accounts must stay current; balances do not roll over month to month |

Fee Breakdown & What’s Included

| **Item** | **Details** |
| --- | --- |
| **Practice Wear** | Required yearly for all athletes (including returning athletes). Official 2025–2026 Radiant gear only! Elite/Prep/Novice receive 2 outfits, Show receives 1. |
| **Uniform** | New uniforms arrive this season! Fittings will be held at tryouts. Required for all athletes. |
| **Bow** | Custom bows ordered per team and level. |
| **Warm-Ups & Jerseys** | Only official Radiant gear allowed at events. Pajamas, blankets, or casual clothes are not permitted while in uniform. |
| **Competition Bag** | Required: Radiant-issued backpack or belt bag only. Most events do not allow outside bags including school or alternate bags.  |
| **Alteration Policy** | Uniform items may not be changed in any way—no bling, embroidery, or unauthorized customizations. |
| **Choreography Fee** | Covers team choreography, music production, and instruction. Non-refundable and mandatory. |
| **Coach Fee** | Helps offset staff travel, lodging, registration fees, and event expenses throughout the season. |
| **Competition Fees** | Include athlete registration for each event. These are NON-REFUNDABLE regardless of injury, removal, or withdrawal. |
| **Showcases**  | Gym-hosted events may occur; however it is not an additional cost to athletes or immediate family. Additional costs may apply to outside family and/or friends. |

Elite & Prep Team Expectations – Summit & ASW

Radiant Elite and Prep teams aim high. If a team earns a Summit or All Star Worlds bid, participation is expected—this is an honor and highlight of the season! Families should plan ahead for:

* Additional expenses for travel, extra practices, registration, and upgraded gear
* A serious commitment to your team’s journey through the postseason
* The understanding that **not attending** affects the team and will be discouraged

Withdrawal or Removal Fee

We understand that sometimes circumstances change. However, if an athlete **quits or is removed** from a team after team placements are finalized:

* A **$400 withdrawal/removal fee** will be charged
* The **uniform may need to be returned** for use by a replacement athlete
* This fee supports reworking choreography, uniforms, and other team changes

At Radiant, our goal is to be **transparent, fair, and supportive** while holding our program to a championship standard. If you ever have questions about fees, policies, or payment plans, our leadership team is always here to help guide you through it.

Let’s make this the most **motivational, powerful, and radiant season yet!**

Competitions & Camps: The Radiant Way

At Radiant Allstar Cheer & Tumble, competition season is a celebration of hard work, teamwork, and passion. Our goal is to shine on and off the floor, supporting each other every step of the way!

### Competition Season Expectations:

* Our full **2025–2026 Competition Schedule** will be shared no later than **July 31, 2025.**
* **Every competition is mandatory.** Our teams succeed together, and every athlete plays a vital role!
* Athletes must be available the **weekend of** and the **week leading up to** competitions, as well as potential **travel days prior.**
* Expect **mandatory practices** before each event. We’ll push through together and come out stronger as a team!
* Competition schedules will be sent out by **Wednesday of competition week.**
* Athletes must arrive **the day before** for out-of-town events. Timeliness is key!
* Full uniform is expected upon arrival: clean Radiant uniform, warm-up or jersey, hair up with competition bow, performance-ready makeup, black no-show socks, black cheer shoes, and no visible jewelry, nail polish, or phones.
* Athletes are to stay in full uniform until dismissed—this is about showing pride in our team and brand!
* **All athletes must attend awards ceremonies** for their team—it's a moment to shine and celebrate together!
* For awards, athletes should be “stage ready”—no backpacks or cover-ups, just radiant smiles and championship energy!
* Be kind, be respectful, and always represent Radiant with class—**in person and online.**
* Cheer each other on! We’re one big family and show up for ALL Radiant teams.
* Parents, your support means the world! Please bring your positive energy and proud voices to every event.
* While our coaches focus on preparing athletes for performance, they may not always be present at every award ceremony due to scheduling—but know they’re always cheering behind the scenes.
* Some events may fall on Fridays or require school absences. We’ll do our best to minimize this, but flexibility is appreciated.

## Choreography Camps

Our summer camps are where routines come alive and friendships are forged! These sessions are crucial for building trust, teamwork, and foundational skills.

* All **Elite, Prep, and Novice** teams will participate in mandatory choreography camps.
* **Exhibition** teams will learn routines during regular practices (no camp).
* Athletes must stay on site for safety. Pack a healthy lunch and hydrate!
* These camps are **closed to spectators** to promote focus and bonding.

### **Tentative 2025–2026 Camp Dates:**

* **ALL CHOREOGRAPHY CAMPS WILL BE HELD JULY 21-25**

(Official dates released by the end of JUNE—keep calendars open!)

## Holiday Closures (All Classes & Teams):

Use these dates for family vacations and rest:

* Labor Day: August 31 – September 1
* Thanksgiving: November 24–30
* Winter Break: December 24 – January 3
* Spring Break: March 9–13

We do not offer make-ups or prorate for closures, athlete absences, or emergency situations.

## Radiant Code of Conduct

We believe in a positive, inclusive, and respectful team environment. Our Code of Conduct is built on these pillars:

* Respect every coach, teammate, parent, and staff member.
* Gossip, negativity, or threats to quit affect the whole team and may lead to removal.
* Arrive on time, in the right gear, and with a growth mindset!
* Athletes and parents should avoid all negativity online. If you wouldn't say it out loud with pride—don’t post it!
* Support all Radiant athletes—show up, cheer loud, and celebrate everyone’s wins!
* Disrespectful behavior, bullying, or unsafe conduct will not be tolerated. Radiant is a safe, supportive space for all and may lead to dismissal of our cheer program.
* If issues arise, please wait 24 hours before contacting a coach. We are here to help, always.
* All information will ALWAYS be posted on the BAND app. You must be apart of the group and have notifications on in case of any last minute details.
* We strive to place each athlete where they will shine brightest, but mid-season team moves may happen for team success.
* Financial commitments must be honored. Removal fees apply if an athlete voluntarily exits or is removed mid-season.
* Only Radiant staff may communicate with competition companies or event officials.
* Our staff has the right to refuse training if behavior becomes disruptive or balances remain unpaid.

TEAM MOMS

If we choose to have **Team Moms** this season, they’ll serve as an extra layer of support and communication for each team. Their role is to help keep things organized, clarify information, and build team spirit throughout the season.

Please treat **ALL** Team Moms with the **same kindness, respect, and appreciation** you’d show any Radiant staff member. They’re volunteering their time to make the season smoother for everyone!

If any issues arise, please reach out directly to **Ali or Jennifer** so we can resolve things quickly and positively.

## Final Commitment

By joining Radiant Allstar Cheer & Tumble, you’re becoming part of something bigger than just a team—you’re part of a family rooted in dedication, teamwork, respect, and growth.

We can’t wait to light up the mat together!

## **Final Agreement & Signature Page**

**Radiant Allstar Cheer & Tumble 2025-2026 Season**

By signing below, I confirm that I have thoroughly read, understand, and agree to all policies, guidelines, and expectations outlined in the **2025–2026 Radiant Allstar Cheer & Tumble Handbook**, including but not limited to:

* Code of Conduct (Athletes & Parents)
* Attendance, Practice, and Competition Expectations
* Payment Policies and Financial Obligations
* Travel, Uniform, and Appearance Guidelines
* Behavior Expectations In and Out of the Gym
* Social Media & Sportsmanship Standards
* Choreography Camp Attendance
* Withdrawal or Dismissal Policy
* Safety & Athlete Well-being Commitments

I understand that these policies are in place to promote **a safe, respectful, and positive environment** where every athlete can grow, shine, and succeed. I also understand that failure to adhere to these expectations may result in **disciplinary action or removal from the program**, without refund of any kind, and that all financial commitments remain due.

### **Athlete Agreement**

I promise to show up with a positive attitude, respect my coaches and teammates, give my best effort at every practice and event, and represent Radiant Allstar Cheer & Tumble with pride.

**Athlete Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
**Athlete Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

### **Parent/Guardian Agreement**

I understand my role as a supportive parent and agree to uphold the culture, values, and expectations of Radiant Allstar Cheer & Tumble. I will communicate respectfully and positively, ensure all financial commitments are met, and partner with the program to support my athlete’s growth.

**Parent/Guardian Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

### **Owners/Directors Agreement**

We’re so excited to welcome your family to a season full of growth, sparkle, and success!

**Coach/Director Ali Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Coach/Director Jennifer Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_