

Gymnastics Revolution Parents' Association
Parent Packet
2025-2026 Competitive Season

MISSION STATEMENT

The Gymnastics Revolution Parents Association (GRPA) exists to support the goals, ideals, physical and emotional well-being of the competitive team at Gymnastics Revolution.

This Association is a not-for-profit organization, with the IRS tax status of Section 501©(3) of the IRS codes.

FUNCTION

Gymnastics is a difficult sport, and Gymnastics Revolution strives to provide the best training possible. Alongside the day-to-day training in the gym, the GRPA provides support in three areas.

Communication

Through email, apps, conversation, and other media, the GRPA ensures that key information about team functions is disseminated. The two-way street of communication is also used as feedback is organically gathered from the gymnasts and families, and communicated back to the coaches and management of the gym.

Financial Support

Through annual volunteer efforts by families, the GRPA raises funds to expand our gymnasts and coaches' educational experiences, training, and other opportunities. Clinicians, choreographers, and other industry professionals can often offer special events that our gymnasts can take advantage of. Higher level competitions can be costly, and sometimes difficult to afford. Through fundraising efforts throughout the year (see below), the GRPA helps to offset these expenses for families, making these opportunities attainable.

Community

Holiday Parties, summer events, banquets, and even the meets we host all contribute to the sense of community felt by the members of the GRPA. As members, both parents and gymnasts benefit from the sense of camaraderie that comes from working, training, celebrating, and being together.

FUNDRAISING

Team Challenge -Team Challenge is our flagship event, and largest fundraiser of the year. The 2026 Team Challenge is scheduled for February 6, – February 8, 2026 with set-up scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2026. Team Challenge will be held at The Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford, CT.

Reindeer Games - Reindeer Games is an early-season meet which gives us an opportunity to fine tune, test, and hone many of the systems we use for Team Challenge. We need help to organize, plan, and execute this meet, which happens on December 20 and 21, 2025.

Other competitions -there is a possibility that the GRPA will coordinate other meets throughout the season.

VOLUNTEERING

In order to provide the support that it does, the GRPA depends on volunteerism from member families.

Volunteer requirement for Team Challenge is still being determined as we are using a new location this year and volunteering at Team Challenge may look a little different.

Families are required to volunteer at least 1 session during the weekend of Reindeer Games and 1 session during either setup or tear-down.

Volunteer hours are extremely important to make the events run smoothly, and they benefit the gymnast directly. It is imperative that each family complete these volunteer hours to receive the GRPA benefits.

SOCIAL EVENTS AND TEAM SPIRIT

Competitive team members often participate in community events. Parents and Gymnasts will be notified of any volunteer opportunities that arise throughout the year. There are also social opportunities for the Gymnasts and their families. The GRPA Event Coordinator oversees planning these events. Attire for the gymnast will be announced prior to each event.

COMMUNICATIONS AROUND COMPETITIONS

Prior to each meet, an email will be sent out to GRPA members, notifying families of their gymnast's competition location, day, and time. An additional email will also be sent from the travel coordinator with hotel and travel information, if needed. It is the responsibility of the parent to know this information, and to make any travel arrangements.

Scratches

Gymnasts are required to participate in all meets laid out in the meet schedule. A notification must be sent via email to Michele Daniels if you have an injury that prevents you from competing.

TEAM FEES

Each family is required to pay a yearly Team Fee to the GRPA. This fee is comprised of the costs for entering athletes into competitions (Meet Fees), the costs of having coaches work on the floor of the competitions (Coaches' Fees), and other fees associated with the operation of the GRPA (collectively, GRPA fees.)

It is important to note that members of the GRPA all receive a benefit (reduction in cost) of the Team Fees, simply for being members. Families who completed the volunteer requirements from the previous year, and whose accounts are in good standing, are eligible for an added benefit (additional reduction) in fees.

LEOTARD AND WARM UP COSTS

The GRPA is not responsible for the cost of the competitive leotard and warm-ups. The gymnast must purchase those items as well as gym bags. You should know that these items are special order, and often take at least eight weeks to receive.

REASSESSMENT

As the season comes to a close, the treasurer will confirm that the fundraising events throughout the year have resulted in the funds needed to cover all costs. In the unlikely event that the year's fundraising has not generated the revenue necessary, an additional "reassessment" will be applied to all accounts, which will cover costs for banquets, end of year gifts, etc, as needed.

"POST-SEASON" COSTS

Regionals

Most levels of gymnastics competition offer a Regional Championships, for which a gymnast can qualify at the State Championships. The fees for entry into this competition are not included in the Team Fees, as listed above. Gymnasts who qualify for the Regional Championships will need to pay to be entered into that meet. The GRPA will pay coach's travel, lodging, and coaching fees on behalf of members in good standing, who have met their volunteering obligation for the year.

Easterns/Nationals

Level 9 and 10 gymnasts can qualify beyond Regionals to these meets. Entry fees, as above, are not covered in the yearly Team Fees. As above, for members in good standing who have met their volunteering obligations, the GRPA will pay a maximum of up to \$2,000.00 towards coach's travel and coaches fees. The remaining costs will be divided equally among the participating gymnast families.

The GRPA is a large organization, made up completely of volunteers, existing solely for the benefit of our families. As you can see from above, the finances of this organization revolve around revenue generated through the work of volunteers, and disbursement to families with large expenses in our sport. In this year of growth, it is imperative that our competitions run smoothly and successfully, so that the profit can be disbursed to families. We are counting on you!

GRPA BOARD OFFICERS

<p>President: Katherine Boniello The president shall be the principal office of the corporation and will supervise and have authority over the business and affairs of the organization. Email: kbgyrev24@gmail.com Cell: 914-299-3941</p>	<p>Secretary: Beth Wutzl The secretary will keep minutes of the general meetings of the membership. They will keep a listing of all team members via a team roster. They will also make changes to the Competitive Team Packet, GPRA Parent Packet, and By-Laws. Email: beth.wutzl@gmail.com Cell: 203-241-6080</p>
<p>Vice President: Lisa Caldari The vice president in the absence of the president will perform the duties of the president and will have the powers and responsibilities of the president. The vice president will also have authority over volunteer coordination for Gymnastics Revolution meets. Email: lisa.caldari@gmail.com Cell: 203-240-5146</p>	<p>Treasurer(s): Michelle Daniels The treasurer(s) will have custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the organization and ensure that funds are used only for authorized and legitimate purposes of the organization. Email: gymrevmmd@gmail.com Cell: 203-731-7489</p>
<p>Travel Coordinator(s): Michelle Daniels The travel coordinator is responsible for all travel arrangements for coaches, relays travel information to the teams (host hotel for meets) as well as submits the final roster of all competing gymnasts for all meets. Email: gymrevmmd@gmail.com Cell: 203-731-7489</p>	<p>Event Coordinator: Katherine Boniello The event coordinator will be responsible for overseeing and supervising the coordinators of additional team fundraising events and team activities. They will be responsible for the Year end Banquet and any other team related social events, as well as any gifts for gymnasts for these events. Email: kbgyrev24@gmail.com Cell: 914-299-3941</p>