



HALF YEAR

ALL STAR CHEER

2027 – 2026

LETS GET STARTED

Half Year All Star cheerleading gives athletes the opportunity to experience competitive cheerleading with a shorter season and local competitions.

Half year is designed for athletes ages 3-18, prep or novice levels 1-3, we will fill teams based on age and level.

**No prior cheer experiences required.
No tumble experience required**

Athletes will be placed on teams based on their age and current skill level so they can learn, grow and compete in an environment designed for their success

AT A GLANCE



AGES

Approximately
3-14



SEASON

October/November
March/April –



PRACTICES

2x per week



TUMBLING

weekly class 1
included



COMPETITIONS

local 2
competitions



TRAVEL

No overnight
travel required



NEW TO ALL STAR?

YOU'RE IN THE RIGHT PLACE

All Star Cheer is a team-based competitive sport combining stunting, tumbling, jumps, dance and performance into a choreographed routine. Throughout the season, athletes work with their coaches and teammates to learn and perfect a routine that they will perform at competitions against other All Star teams in their division

YOUR ATHLETE WILL LEARN



STUNTING & PYRAMIDS

.Athletes learn to work together in stunt groups while developing proper technique, timing and trust



TUMBLING

.Athletes work on skills appropriate for their current ability. Tumbling is not required to join Half Year



JUMPS & MOTIONS

.Athletes learn proper cheer technique, body positions, motions and jumps



DANCE & PERFORMANCE

.Athletes learn choreography, musicality, facial expressions and how to confidently perform in front of a crowd



TEAMWORK

Every athlete has a role in the routine. Athletes learn accountability, communication and how their individual effort contributes to their team's success

EVERYTHING THEY NEED



TEAM PRACTICES

.Two structured team practices each week



WEEKLY TUMBLE

.One tumble class each week is included in tuition



CUSTOM CHOREOGRAPHY

Athletes learn a competition routine designed specifically for
.their team



CUSTOM MUSIC

Each team's routine is performed to professionally produced
.competition music



COMPETITION BOW

.Athletes receive their team competition bow



COMPETITION FEES

.Two regular-season local competition entry fees are included



COACHING

TAG coaches train the team throughout the season and
.coach athletes through competition day



UNIFORM

Required Comp uniform, this is not a new uniform year, and
you may can find it used.

THIS IS PLACEMENT NOT PERFECTION

HALF YEAR IS DESIGNED TO WELCOME ATHLETES INTO ALL STAR CHEERLEADING. ATHLETES DO NOT NEED TO PREPARE A ROUTINE, OR HAVE SECIFIC TUMBLING OR STUNTING SKILLS BEFORE THEIR EVALUATION.

WHAT HAPPENS AT AN EVALUATION?

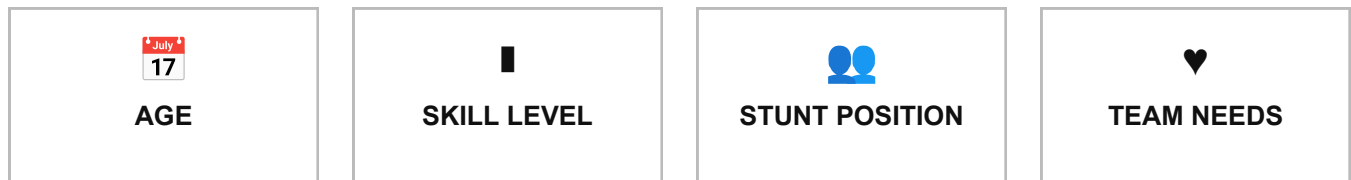
:Our coaches will work with athletes and evaluate areas such as

- Current tumbling ability •
- Jumps and motions •
- Body control and flexibility •
- Potential stunt position •
- Age and team eligibility •



HOW TEAMS ARE FORMED

:TAG coaches consider each athlete individually when building teams. Team placement may consider



Our goal is to create teams where athletes can confidently perform the skills required at their level while continuing to grow throughout the season

WHAT WILL I RECIEVE AFTER TEAM PLACEMENTS?

:Your placement information will include

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| ☐ Team Name | ☐ Practice Days & Times |
| ☐ Team Level/Division | ☐ First Practice Date |
| ☐ Coaches | ☐ Next Steps |

UNDERSTANDING AGE & TEAM ELIGIBILITY.

USASF determines division eligibility by birth year. Because age ranges overlap, an athlete may be eligible for more than one division. Age eligibility creates the options; TAG coaches determine the team placement that best fits the athlete and the team.

AGE ELIGIBILITY DOES NOT GUARANTEE A SPECIFIC TEAM OR LEVEL

2026–27 USASF PREP/ NOVICE AGE ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility is based on birth year.

DIVISION	LEVEL(S)	ELIGIBLE BIRTH YEARS
Tiny Novice	Level 1 w/ Restrictions	2019-2023
Tiny Prep	Levels 1–2 w/ Restrictions	2019-2021
Mini	Levels 1–3 w/ Restrictions	2017-2020
Youth	Levels 1–3 w/ Restrictions	2014-2019
Junior	Levels 1–3 w/ Restrictions	2011-2018
Senior	Levels 1–3 w/ Restrictions	6/1/2007-2015

HOW TAG USES THE AGE GRID

AGE ELIGIBILITY

Which divisions your athlete may legally compete in.

CURRENT SKILLS

Skills are evaluated at the athlete's current ability—not potential alone.

STUNT POSITION

Team construction requires the right combination of flyers, bases and back spots.

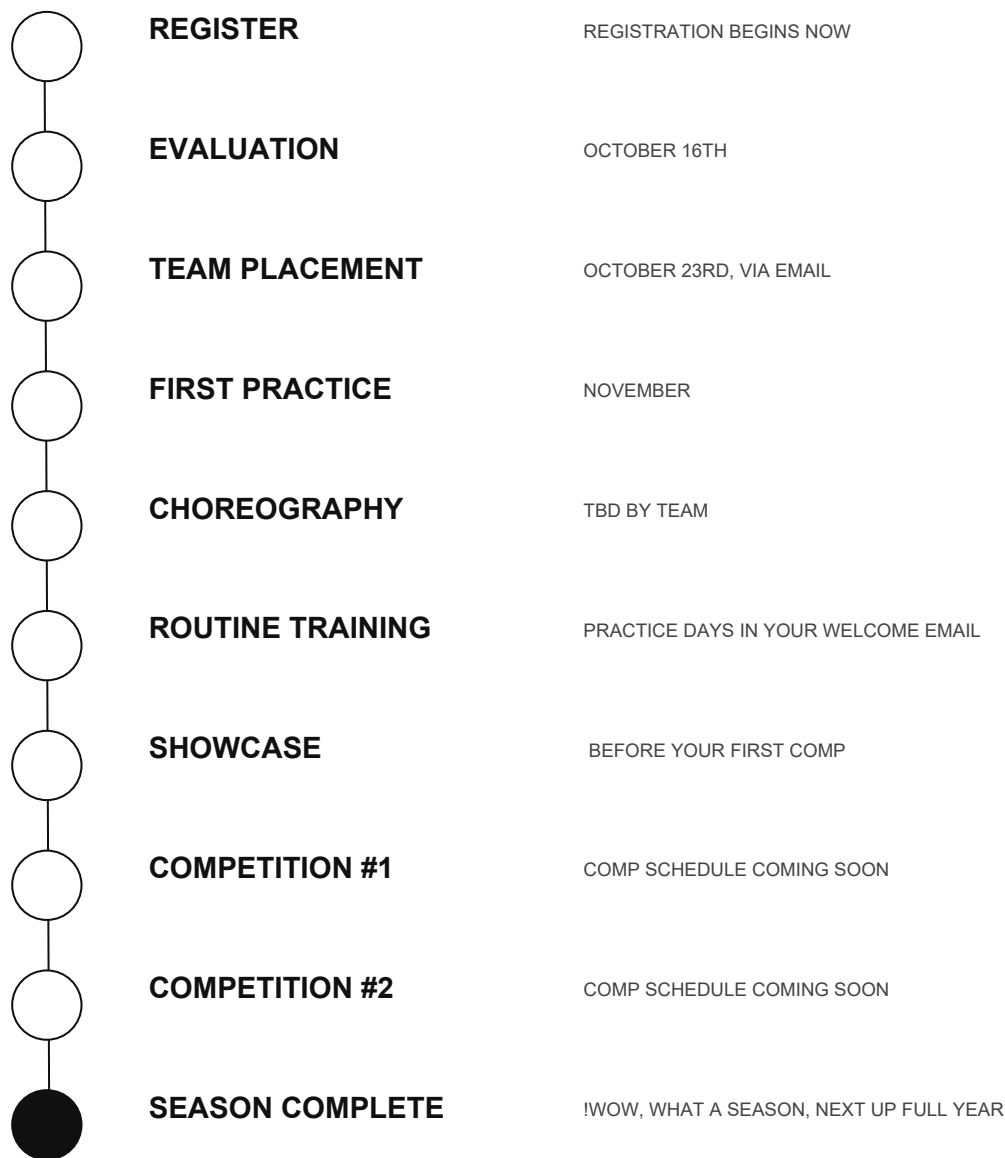
TEAM NEEDS

Final placements are made to create the strongest, safest team possible.

Previous team, level or position does not guarantee the same placement. Each season is built around the athletes participating that year.

FROM FIRST PRACTICE TO COMPETITION DAY

.Here's a look at the Half Year season and important milestones



IMPORTANT DATES

Evaluation Dates	OCTOBER 16TH
Team Placement Date	OCTOBER 23RD
First Week of Practice	IN YOUR WELCOME EMAIL
Thanksgiving Closure	SUNDAY NOV 22- SAT NOV 28TH
Christmas/New Year's Closure	SUNDAY DEC 20- 26TH AND DEC 31-JAN 2
Showcase	IN MARCH
Competition #1	TBD
Competition #2	TBD
Final Practice/End of Season	THE WEEK OF THE LAST COMP, MID- END OF MARCH

WHAT TO EXPECT AT PRACTICE AND COMPETITION

WHAT DOES PRACTICE ACTUALLY LOOK LIKE?

Team Practices are structured around building and perfecting the competition routine. Depending on where the team is in the season, practices may include.

- ✓ Warm-up & conditioning
- ✓ Stunt training
- ✓ Pyramid work
- ✓ Jumps & motions
- ✓ Tumbling
- ✓ Routine sections
- ✓ Full Outs
- ✓ Cleaning & Performance



.As competitions approach, practices become increasingly focused on performing the complete routine consistently

YOUR FIRST COMPETITION

Competition day is one of the most exciting parts of All Star Cheer. Families will receive detailed competition information before each event, including:

- Arrival time
- Venue information
- Uniform/hair requirements
- Meet time
- Performance time
- Awards information



Athletes will meet their team, check in with coaches, warm up as a team, perform their routine and participate in awards. Half year teams compete locally, and no overnight travel is required. Teams compete one day, even when an event is held for multiple days

IT TAKES A TEAM

All Star Cheer is a team sport. Every athlete has a specific role in stunts, formations and choreography. Before accepting placement, families should review the season schedule and be prepared to make team attendance a priority



ATTENDANCE

All scheduled practices, competitions and team events are mandatory. One absence can prevent a stunt group—or the full team—from practicing effectively. The two weeks before competition are especially important; absences should be limited to illness, emergencies or circumstances outside your control



PUNCTUALITY

Athletes should arrive on time, dressed and ready to begin. Repeated tardiness affects the team and reduces valuable practice time. Competition arrival times are mandatory



COMMUNICATION

Band is TAG's primary form of communication. We will have a family band, and team specific band. You are responsible for checking communications through here. We will also use the email you have in your iClass account, please make sure you are marked to receive emails!



PLAN AROUND THE TEAM

Homework should be planned around practice. Practices and competitions should not be taken away as punishment. Vacations and optional activities should be planned around mandatory dates whenever possible. For shared custody, arrangements should be made so the athlete can attend regardless of household



ADDITIONAL PRACTICES

As competitions approach, additional practices may occasionally be necessary. Families will receive as much notice as possible and are expected to attend

**BEFORE YOU COMMIT BE PRESENT FOR THE TEAM
GREAT TEAMMATES MAKE GREAT TEAMS**



KNOW YOUR INVESTMENT

We want families to understand the full financial picture, before committing to a team.

MONTHLY TUITION

month / \$250

Billed Nov -March

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Tryout Fee \$25 Through October 31st, and then it goes to \$35 on Nov 1st

Month	Payment
November	_____ \$
December	_____ \$
January	_____ \$
February	_____ \$
March	_____ \$

We bill and send statements on the 1st of every month, and all payments are due by the 5th. Late fees applied on the 10th.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL EXPENSES

- ☐ CUSTOM WARM-UP (SAME AS FULL YEAR) — \$250
- ☐ .NFINITY BLACK BACKPACK — \$115 Optional
If your athlete chooses to carry a bag, this is the only team bag permitted. Same style as Full .Year

TUITION INCLUDES

- Team Practices
- Weekly Tumble Class**
- Choreography
- Custom Music
- Competition Bow
- Two Competition Entry Fees
- Competition Coaching

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED EXPENSES

- ☐ This is not a new uniform year, uniforms are available New or Used. There is a facebook page that TAG is not incharge of, use at your own discretion. Due Nov 15th
- ☐ \$49 USASF membership. Paid directly to USASF, Due by Jan 15th. [Register Here](#)
- ☐ Black cheer shoes, athlete provided. We do have sizers in the front office at TAG if you would like to order with us.
- ☐ Practice Wear \$75.00, billed Dec 15th

TAG BRANDING & APPAREL

All items featuring the TAG Athletics name, logo, team name, team logo, or other TAG branding must be purchased through or approved by the TAG Pro Shop. Families may not independently create or order TAG-branded items, including items for personal or team use. For team gifts, parent !apparel, sponsorships, or special items, please contact the TAG Pro Shop before ordering. When in doubt, ask before you order

QUESTIONS ?

WE'VE GOT YOU

Q	My athlete has never cheered before. Is Half Year appropriate?
A	Yes. Half Year is specifically designed to be an introduction to competitive All Star Cheer. No previous cheer experience is required
Q	Does my athlete have to tumble?
A	No. Athletes will be evaluated at their current skill level and continue developing their tumbling throughout the season
Q	Do we travel?
A	.Half Year competes locally. No overnight competition travel is required
Q	How often do teams practice?
A	Teams typically practice 2x a week. A weekly tumble class is included in your tuition, you will choose a class that fits your schedule.
Q	When will I know our practice schedule?
A	.Practice days and times will be provided with your athlete's team placement
Q	What if we have to miss practice?
A	Attendance is extremely important because every athlete has a role within the routine. Families should communicate unavoidable absences as soon as possible
Q	Do I have to buy everything immediately?
A	No. Required purchases and their due dates are outlined in the Financial Commitment section
Q	What happens when Half Year ends?
A	Athletes who love their Half Year experience can continue developing their skills and may choose to be evaluated for TAG's Full Year All Star program
Q	What if I cant attend the evals on October 16th?
A	While we would love for everyone to make it to this day, we understand things come up, just email allstar@tagathletics.com to schedule an alternate eval,



READY TO GET STARTED?

- 1 Register for your Half Year Evaluation through the parent portal on the website.
- 2 Choose Half Year Tryouts and pay the registration.
- 3 Complete the application form linked on the website.
- 4 Attend your Half Year Evaluation
- 5 Recieve your team placement and have an amazing season!

REGISTER FOR HALF YEAR

Complete athlete application here!

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