

Your Tourney Starts Here!

SEASON 25 2023-2024

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# Welcome to the ELEMENTS Family!

Thank you for choosing Las Vegas Elements! We are excited to be in our 25th season!

LVE was founded in 1999, and continues to prosper, grow, and be recognized as one of Las Vegas's premier cheerleading and tumbling programs! We have won countless National Titles and continue to receive invites to the most prestigious competitions year after year.

As an all-star team member, not only will you learn stunts, jumps, tumbling, and dance, but also teamwork, dedication, and perseverance. Our team members build life-long friendships and relationships, and they continue to use the values they learn throughout their adult lives.

We look forward to sharing our LoVE of cheer with you!

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### Season 24 Honors

TOP 3 FINISHES NATIONALS

WCC NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

ALL TEAMS
COMPETED AT THE
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# Why LVE

# WE BUILD CHAMPIONS!

Developing strong individuals on and off the floor is our goal. Teamwork, perseverance, resiliency, self confidence, leadership, communication, and responsibility are all life skills our athletes develop through their participation in the LVE program. Our coaches care about the "whole" athlete and work with each individual to build champions for life, not just champions in cheerleading.

# PROPER ATHLETIC DEVELOPMENT!

Our athletes will be placed appropriately on a team according to their skills. Proper skill progression is crucial when participating in a sport like cheerleading. It takes extensive training and repeated practice to perfect jumps, tumbling and stunting skills. Athletes will be recognized and celebrated for their skill progression throughout the season.

# WE ARE FAMILY!

We believe in nurturing relationships between our athletes to promote a positive experience on and off the mat. Our LVE athletes build lifelong friendships. Whether it is a trip to the pumpkin patch or a pool party for our younger Elements or a Team Prom Night for our Juniors and Seniors, our athletes create a bond for life through these extra team bonding events. Many of our athletes return to LVE after college to train, coach or choreograph right where they started.

# COLLEGE & CAREER OPPORTUNITIES!

LVE has many athletes that have continued their cheer career at colleges all over the country! We take pride in assisting our kids in pursuing a higher education while staying involved with their passion. You will find LVE Alumni cheering at colleges such as Hawaii Pacific University, University of Oregon, University of Louisville, Boise State, UNLV, UNR and Arizona State University. Many have gone on to work summer cheer camps, coach, choreograph and judge cheer competitions.

# WE'RE HERE TO STAY!

LVE is the 1st and longest running all star cheer program in the state of Nevada!

We keep expanding and growing with the ever evolving cheer world. We love what we do and we love the kids we have the honor of working with!.

We are looking forward to having your child join us for SEASON 24!







We keep the evaluation process very casual and fun! Athletes are evaluated in groups and each person is encouraged to do their best!! Athletes will be asked to show the following skills:

- Jumps
- Standing and Running Tumbling (if any)
- Short Dance (taught during evaluations)
- Body Positions (Flyers Only)

Athletes will have multiple opportunities to show their skills and they may redo any element they feel they need.

After tryouts, the staff will form teams based on their discretion. Many key elements factor into the decision. Keep in mind all LVE teams are built to be competitive within their determined level.

### **EVALUATIONS: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH**

AGES 7-18 11AM -12:30PM

All athletes must wear a black fitted top and black shorts. Shoes must be white.

Hair must be in a high ponytail with a bow. No jewelry.

Team placements will be emailed to each parent/guardian on file by 10pm September 10th.

Season 25 practices will begin the week of September 121h, 2023.

### **EVALUATION DAY CHECK LIST**

<u> LVALOATION DAT CITE</u>	
<u>Evaluation Info Form</u> (pg. 8) <u>Apparel Fittings Form</u> (pg. 9)	All forms are clickable links
Financial Agreement w/ CC Information (pg. 10 & 11)	
<ul> <li>A CREDIT CARD MUST BE ON FILE. A photocopy of the ca</li> </ul>	ard on file is required.
Program Policies Form (pg. 14)	
Copy of Athlete's Birth Certificate and ID (New Members Only)	
Registration Form/Liability Waiver (New members only)	
Covid Form (New members only)	
Copy of Insurance Card and Parent/Guardian Driver's license	
Evaluation Fee: \$40 New Member, \$20 Returner (Waived if you	bring a friend to evaluations.)
*Please have all forms and copies with you upon arrival.	
All paperwork and Evaluation fees are due on or before	Evaluation day.



### **TEAM SELECTION**

DIVISION AGE RANGE	TOP YEAR	BOTTOM YEAR
SENIOR	6/1/2004	2011
JUNIOR	2008	2015
YOUTH	2011	2016
MINI	2014	2017
TINY PREP	2016	2018
TINY NOVICE	2016	2020

### **LEVELS**

There are 3 levels for all-star novice teams. The "level" refers to the type of stunts, pyramids, and tumbling that a team can safely perform. They are numbered from 1 to 3 in increasing difficulty. An athlete's level is determined solely by the coaching staff.

**Level 1:** No experience is necessary

**Level 2:** Back handspring highly recommended/Mastery of Level 1 skills

**Level 3**: Round off back handspring tuck highly recommended

### **PLACEMENTS**

We always pride ourselves on seeing the potential within each athlete in addition to their current skills. We try build teams with "like" skills as best we can, but please remember that tumbling, stunting, jumps, dance, motions, and age are factors. Some athletes will be stronger tumblers than others. Some will contribute more with stunts than others. Every athlete is placed on a team for a reason. Please trust the staff. Our methods work and our teams have always done well!

Athletes are expected to improve their skill level throughout the season. Thus, the coaching staff may require an athlete to take extra technique classes to build skills





### PROGRAM PRICING

### **ALL INCLUSIVE PRICING**

ATHLETE STATUS	AMOUNT DUE	DATE DUE
NEW MEMBERS	\$185/Month September 2023 through May 2024	1st of the month
RETURNING MEMBERS	\$165/Month September 2023 through May 2024	1st of the month

Joining Late in the Season: You will be back charged the non-tuition portion of each monthly payment starting from June until the month you begin. You will pay full tuition the rest of the season. If you join late you may not have the opportunity to receive the items ordered previously in the season, charges will be adjusted accordingly.

### **Sibling Discount:**

\$15 off per month for each sibling after the first full paying athlete for tuition.

#### **New Member pricing includes:**

Monthly Tuition- Team Practices 2 hours/week
Uniform (Top, Skirt, Brief)
Choreography/Music
Competition Entry Fees
Makeup Kit
LVE Registration Fee

#### Inclusive pricing does not include:

Optional or additional items
Practice Clothes (4-piece set- optional)
Warm-Up Set (Jacket & Pants- optional)
Additional classes/Private Lessons
Extra clinics or camps
USASF Registration Fee
Booster Club Fee
End-of-season bid event competition fees

#### **Returning Member pricing includes:**

Monthly Tuition- Team Practices 2 hours/week
Choreography/Music
Competition Entry Fees
LVE Registration Fee

#### Inclusive pricing does not include:

Optional or additional items
Practice Clothes (4-piece set- optional)
Warm-Up Set (Jacket & Pants- optional)
Additional classes/Private Lessons
Extra clinics or camps
USASF Registration Fee
Booster Club Fee
End-of-season bid event competition fees

#### Shoes

Plain white cheer shoes of your choice. We recommend Nfinity shoes that can beordered at nfinityshoes.com or at a group rate by our sales representative during fittings. We recommend purchasing 2 pairs, one for practice and one for competition.





### IMPORTANT DATES

#### **Gym Closed**

Halloween .....October 31, 2023 

\*\* Coaches may choose to hold practices on these days if it is close to an upcoming competition.



October 21, 2023

#### **Choreography & Skills Camps**

Skills/Choreography Dates: October 21, 2023

Attending Choreography Camp(s) and all other Skills Camps/Clinics is MANDATORY.

### COMPETITIONS

Competitions will begin in March 2024 and continue through April 2024. Competitions are held on weekends and are either one day or two days There will be 2-3 local competitions Competition fees are included in the all-inclusive pricing

The 2023-2024 Competition Schedule will be available on October 21, 2023

#### Attendance at all competitions is mandatory.

Competition fees are non-refundable should an athlete be unable to participate for any reason. If a replacement athlete fills in for your athlete, all awards awarded to the team will be awarded to the replacement athlete, not the original competitor.

> A team schedule will be sent via email during the week prior to the competition. The schedule will set each teams meeting, warm up and performance times.





### **PRACTICES**

#### **Practice Schedules**

Practice days and times are announced in team placement emails. Extra practices will be added from time to time most often prior to an upcoming competition and are essential to team success

#### **Practice Attire**

- All female athletes must wear briefs under their shorts
- All athletes must wear tight fitting clothing in a combination of our colors
- All female athletes must have their hair in a high ponytail with a bow
- All athletes must wear plain white cheerleading shoes

\*Once practice wear arrives, this will be required for practice.

All team practices are closed to spectators.



Attendance at all practice sessions and other scheduled team activities are mandatory.

#### **Absences:**

- Attendance is crucial to team success. A digital <u>"Absent Request" form</u> must be filled out prior to the missed practice. If the absence is unexpected, the gym or coach must be notified by email or phone call prior to the practice time.
- Excessive absences both excused and unexcused could lead to removal from a competition or removal from the team at the discretion of LVE staff.
  - Excused absences include: contagious Illness with doctors note, school function that affects grade, death in the family, vacation during summer.
  - Unexcused absences include: homework, tired, not having a ride, etc.
- Athletes missing practice 2 weeks before a competition may be removed from a competition at/of the coach's discretion. This includes extra practices.
- Athletes are expected to be punctual and enthusiastic at all practices, negative attitudes will not be tolerated.

**Tardies:** DON'T BE LATE, please. Tardies may result in conditioning for the team and/or individual at the coach's discretion.

**Vacations:** Please fill out an absent request form and submit it to the front desk as soon as you know of any planned vacations.





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# **EVALUATION INFO**

Athlete Name: DOBAge on 12/3 Have you cheered before? Yes No If so, where? _	
TELL US YOUR GOALS Personal Goals:	AWARD
Team Goals:	
What Level do you see yourself on this season:	
Would you like to be considered as a cross competitor Yes No Are you willing to cheer for any LVE team, regardless of level? Yes _ If No, list levels on which you are willing to cheer and explain why:	No





### **APPAREL FITTINGS**

### Uniform Fitting Day: October 21, 2023

A parent/guardian must attend with the athlete to sign off on all sizes/items ordered.



### **ORDERING**

All apparel orders will be based off the sizes determined at LVE Fittings.

Fittings will be for the following items:

• Uniform

Athlete will not be fitted for T-shirts but you will be asked to provide your desired size at the fitting. This size will be used for all athlete T-shirts ordered throughout the season.

All other items not requiring sizing will be listed on the order form on the fitting day to ensure proper ordering.

Returning Members: If you are reordering an item that was received in a previous season, an additional charge for that item will be billed to your account and must be paid if full prior to the order being placed.

Please note: All orders typically have an 8-12 week production time prior to shipment.

By signing below, you agree that a parent will attend the LVE Fittings with the athlete and sign off on all sizes and items ordered. LVE is not responsible if any piece ordered does not fit upon arrival, it is the responsibility of the parent to alter/reorder a new piece at their expense. If the size discrepancy is at the fault of our vendor (i.e. wrong size sent), LVE will take the necessary steps to resolve the issue directly with the vendor.

Only one order will be placed for all items. Any order not placed with the original order or any item not paid for prior to LVE placing the order will not be ordered. Your account must be current in order to receive all items.





### FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT IN FULL  Name (as it appears on card):  Billing Address:		
	A MASTERCARD Card Number: e:3-4 digit code (back of card) DL#	
l war	nt to enroll in autopay, automatically charge my card on the 1st of every month (\$10 discount applies monthly to successful autopay transactions) YES NO	
Signature:	Date	
	es authorization for all transactions made by Las Vegas Elements Training Center, LLC. (Herein LVE), understand that I am entering into a binding agreement with LVE for cheerleading/tumbling date) and ending on April 30, 2024.	
lease only check one of th	e following:	
2024, each montl	I am obligated to pay the monthly all-inclusive fee of \$ from September 2023 through April h for the duration of the agreement as all fees are divided into equal monthly payments and added to costs. Any optional items or additional classes/clinics will be in addition to these fees and will be onthly statement.	
	I am joining late in the season, thus my monthly all-inclusive fee has been recalculated to \$ pe and that I am obligated to pay this amount each month through the contract ending date of April 30,	
By signing below, I agree to	abide by all of the following terms and conditions as well as all the information provided in the tryou	

packet:

The parent/guardian signing this agreement is responsible to uphold this financial agreement if the participant is a minor. Otherwise, the participant is responsible for all fees.

We do not accept American Express or Discover for automatic withdrawals, however, American Express and Discover may be used in signature transactions made at the gym, and a 10% processing fee will apply. All returned checks will be assessed a \$25 processing fee.





# FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

Payments are due on the 1st business day of each month. Payments may be made in person or online in the parent portal section of the LVE website. Payments not received by 8pm on the 8th day of the month will be considered late. The option to pay by cash or check will be forfeited, and the above credit card will be charged all monthly fees in addition to the \$30.00 late fee. These charges will be automatically withdrawn no later than the 15th business day of the month. If a payment arrangement, other than the one outlined above, is necessary, a separate agreement must be signed and approved by management.

Monthly payments will follow the all-inclusive payment schedule unless additional classes are added by the client. Payment schedules include monthly tuition, member expenses, and competition fees. Monthly payments do not include: additionally ordered merchandise, specialty camps, additional classes, bid competitions, or competition travel expenses. Competition fees are collected in advance of the competition and are non-refundable should an athlete not compete for any reason.

Penalty fees for unexcused absences or missed competitions are due at the next billing cycle.

No refunds will be given for any reason. Accounts may be credited for cancelled competitions, camps or other expenses and may be used as gym credit only. All credits applied to accounts may be used for monthly fees only. Un-used credits will only remain on the account for 6 months, after the 6-month period has expired all remaining funds will be forfeited.

If you choose to withdraw from the program for any reason, you must notify LVE in writing at least 10 days prior to the next month's billing cycle. Failure to do so will result in the next month's fees to be charged and collected in addition to any applicable termination fees. Any/all balances left outstanding upon completion/withdrawal of services will be charged to the above card.

If at any time the above card is declined, or the account becomes delinquent, services and any tangible orders will be ceased until full payment is received. Athletes will be asked to sit out of practices/events on or after the 8th of each month. In addition, outstanding balances, incapable of being recovered, will be turned over to collections. A fee of or about 35% of the total balance due will be added to the initial amount sent to the collections agency. All other fees associated with collections such as filing fees, court fees and attorney fees will be the responsibility of the below signer. At the initiation of legal action, the below signer shall be responsible for an additional fee of or about 50% of the principle balance.

If a third party (not a party of this agreement) is responsible for payment of some or all of the fees associated with this agreement, an additional and separate financial agreement must be signed by such a party.

If the third party payee defaults on payments, the parent or guardian signing this primary agreement becomes completely financially responsible for the remaining term of the agreement.

I furthermore agree that any changes made in accounts and/or credit/debit card providers, card numbers, expiration dates etc. will be reported to Las Vegas Elements Training Center, LLC. in order to update such records and to avoid any delay in services. Failure to provide LVE with updated card information will result in a \$25 fee charged to your account for each occurrence.

Signature:	Date	
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Driver's License (or other state issued identification) and Credit/Debit Card of above Cardholder are to be copied and attached to this document.





### PROGRAM POLICIES

### **GYM RULES**

- No food, drinks, and candy should be brought into the gym or on to the practice floor. Water and Gatorade is permitted if it is closed and is left on the sidelines of the gym. Gum is strictly forbidden in the gym.
- Parents, siblings, relatives, etc. may not enter the gym area without the permission of the coach.
- All spectators should view classes and/or practice from the viewing area.
- Gossiping and other negative talk will not be tolerated in the lobby and viewing area. If such talk occurs that person will be asked to leave.
- Appointments need to be made with the appropriate staff member to address any concerns you may have. Negatively confronting a staff member in the lobby, or gym will not be tolerated.

### **BEHAVIOR/ATTITUDE**

- Practice time will be used effectively, without unnecessary conversation or horseplay.
- Participation in any activity that can jeopardize the name and/or reputation of the athlete and/or the LVE program will result in termination from the program.
- Respect toward LVE staff members, teammates, and parents, is not an option it is an expectation.
- Parents and athletes are expected to set a positive example whether in or out of uniform. Negative comments and/or
  inappropriate behavior in person, on the telephone, through email or on any social media platforms will not be
  tolerated.
- Parents and athletes are not permitted to contact competition companies, or any other LVE merchants.
- Any illegal activities such as alcohol and drugs will not be permitted. Athletes suspected of being under the influence of any controlled substance or alcohol at a team event or otherwise will be immediately terminated from the program.
- Team placement will be accepted in a dignified manner with no criticism or comments.
- Excessive behavior problems will lead to a required parent/coach conference and could result in suspension or removal from the team.

### COMMUNICATION

- TeamApp and email are the main source of communication between the gym & LVE families. It is the responsibility of the parent to check both of these platforms regularly for communication. Information is also available at the front desk in paper form.
- All athletes are expected to communicate concerns to their team coach. LVE will address such problems with the athlete. If a problem cannot be solved, then a parent will be contacted.
- All parents are expected to communicate any concerns directly to the team coach via email or scheduled conference.
- All LVE updates and monthly invoices will be sent by email to the address provided on the LVE registration form.
- Financial questions should be sent to admin@lasvegaselements.com. If necessary, a conference with a manager may be scheduled.





### PROGRAM POLICIES

#### INJURY AND MEDICATION

- Any/all medical conditions and/or medications must be reported to the team coach and the LVE office.
- Athletes who require the use of an inhaler must have it available at all practices and competitions.
- All injuries must be reported to a coach or staff member immediately.
- Injuries that prevent an athlete from participating in practice do not excuse them from attending practice, unless the injury prevents attendance through doctor's orders.
- Upon returning from an injury/illness, athletes are required to provide a signed doctor's release stating they are cleared for participation in practice.

# BOOSTER CLUB EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS

- The LVE booster club is in charge of fundraisers. LVE is not responsible for any fundraising events or money made.
- Payments in accordance to the outlined LVE payment plan must be paid on time regardless of fundraiser participation.
- Please refer to the booster club informational package for more details.

### **GENERAL**

- LVE coaches will place athletes on the team that is best for the athlete and/or team.
- It is solely up to the LVE coaches to decide if an athlete can do more than one team.
- The LVE coaching staff retains the right to remove or replace a team member at any time throughout the year.
- LVE must be your first priority in extracurricular activities! As a team sport it is vital that every member is 100% committed to the team as each athlete is a valuable asset.
- It is expected that ALL athletes and at least 1 parent or guardian register as a member of the LVE TeamApp.
- The front desk must be informed of any address, credit card, or e-mail changes. All changes except for credit card changes may be e-mailed to admin@lasvegaselements.com
- Failure to follow the above rules or behaving in a manner that jeopardizes the name Las Vegas Elements can lead to removal from the team.

### **USASF REGISTRATION**

- It is the responsibility of the parent to maintain and keep current their athlete's USASF profile.
- New Members: Must create a new account at usasf.net Your athlete's information and birth certificate must be uploaded to the profile.
- Renewals begin June 1st each year. The LVE deadline to renew is October 1st each season. If you fail to renew by the deadline, LVE will renew on your behalf for an additional fee of \$25 per athlete, billed to your account.





### **PROGRAM POLICIES**

#### LVE LOGO/LIKENESS USAGE

- Use of the LVE logo(s) or likeness is not permitted without the express consent of LVE.
- This includes, but is not limited to, the words Las Vegas Elements, LV Elements, Elements, LVE, team names, or any other simulation, abbreviation, or adaptation.
- Apparel of any kind using any of the above referenced logos or likeness is not permitted.

As an LVE parent, I understand the responsibility and commitment that my son/daughter is undertaking. I have read this agreement and understand its contents. I have also gone over the rules and expectations with my athlete. I agree to abide by the LVE rules and regulations and ensure that my son/daughter does as well. I agree to support the LVE program and offer encouragement to my athlete's fulfillment of all their responsibilities. I agree to allow my child to participate in all LVE activities and will be cooperative carrying them out. I understand that this program is a commitment on the part of the parent as well as the athlete. I agree to help my child fulfill this commitment.

Furthermore, I will not use this program as a form of punishment for my child as I realize that it also punishes the team. I also realize that when I am at a function with the team I to represent LVE and therefore must always act with class and responsibility. I realize that all program decisions concerning athlete team placement, choice of competitions, uniforms, team level etc. are completely up to the LVE Staff and parent interference or bad mouthing will not be tolerated and may result in the removal of the parent and/or athlete from the program.

I understand that all athletes or athletes whose parent(s) are consistently negative, found gossiping or have caused numerous problems may be removed from a team regardless of the athlete's talent level or attitude. LVE parents and athletes are expected to be part of the solution and not the problem by making an effort to stop others from gossiping.

LVE reserves the right to use discretion in enforcing the provisions of this agreement.

Printed Name	Relation
Signed	Date

### Welcome to the Las Vegas Elements Family!



