

MARYLAND ALLSTARS

HALF YEAR INFORMATION

Cost- The cost of the Half Year Cheerleading program is 5 equal installments of \$195 for an all-inclusive package. This includes everything cheerleaders need to compete EXCEPT cheer shoes and a USASF membership fee (\$30.) Maryland Allstars offers fundraising opportunities where proceeds go towards each individual's cheer account to cover program expenses. Any payment received after a due date will result in a \$25 late fee. Any payment that results in a declined card or returned check will incur a \$35 service charge.

Team Communication- Maryland Allstars uses the app "Group Me" for each team. Group Me will be used for last minute competition details, clips from practices, motivational quotes, suggested work-outs, etc. Parents must be part of the group for athletes to be allowed in but can turn off notifications if they choose. Group Me is NOT to be used as a communication method between parents and coaches. We ask that parents communicate with the program via email- lindsay@mdallstars.com or sandy@mdallstars.com. Please check emails on a daily basis to stay informed. All emails will come from "Maryland Allstars Athletics LLC."

Practice- The practice schedule will be released after evaluations once teams are announced. Teams meet for 2.5 hours a week to train. We expect our athletes to show up on time, prepared, and ready to practice. Attendance and tardiness is strictly monitored. Cheerleading is a team sport therefore on-going attendance issues could result in removal from the program. If a cheerleader must miss practice, arrive late, or leave early, email attendance@mdallstars.com with as much notice as possible. Please put the cheerleader's name and date(s) of absence in the subject line. Each cheerleader will be given a t-shirt that they should wear to each practice.

Practices Before A Performance- The practices 2 weeks prior an event are mandatory. Attendance issues during this time may result in removal from the routine for the remainder of the season. In the event that an absence might be excused, please give our coaches as much notice as possible. It may be necessary to re-arrange practice schedules in preparation of a performance. Details about performances will be emailed the Thursday before the event. Under no circumstances should parents contact event producers with questions or requests for information.

Uniforms- Uniforms are loaned to cheerleaders. The fee for lost or damaged uniforms is \$225. All cheerleaders are required to purchase cheer shoes selected by Maryland Allstars. We will email a link to order cheer shoes directly from the vendor. A competition hair bow and make-up will be delivered prior to the competitions. Cheerleaders should arrive at the competition with their make-up applied, hair in a high ponytail with the bow, and full uniform on.

Performances- All performances are mandatory- no exceptions. We ask that conflicts with the competition schedule are reported as soon as it is emailed. To disclose an issue with the competition schedule, email attendance@mdallstars.com. Please put the cheerleader's name and "competition conflict" in the subject line. If an athlete has a common illness they must still compete. Coaches are willing to reduce an athlete's role, allow an athlete to arrive later and leave earlier depending on the circumstance. If an athlete is running late to a performance, or has a last minute illness or injury, text Coach Lindsay (410)818-9549 or Coach Sandy (443)955-1184 as soon as possible.

Membership Cancellations- We ask that athletes make their best effort to stay committed to the team during the entire season as leaving effects everyone. Refunds will not be issues for any monies paid at the time the member leaves the program, even if the athlete has been removed from the program. All fees incurred up to the time of the member's departure must be paid to avoid collection activities. If a member leaves a team after the first 3 practices a \$150 membership cancelation fee will be accessed and due immediately.

Inclement Weather- In the case of inclement weather, gym closings will be posted on the Maryland Allstars website and facebook page 1 hour prior to the practice. Maryland Allstars does not follow the closings of the public school system. It is rare that competitions are canceled or rescheduled due to weather. Please check the forecasts leading up to events and plan accordingly. In the event of extreme weather such as a government issued State of Emergency, Maryland Allstars will send notifications regarding event cancellations.

Quick Facts-

Allstar Program: Maryland Allstars

Team Colors: Black, Yellow, Blue

Mascot: Shark

Website: www.mdallstars.com

Owners: Sandy Fusee & Lindsay Balent