

ELGIN CHEER INC./XPLOSION ATHLETICS ATHLETE PARENT GUARDIAN COACH – CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Will not be under the influence of alcohol, narcotics or performance enhancing substances while participating and/or attending practices, competitions, events, etc. All Premises are Smoke Free Environments
2. Non-performing teams/athletes/coaches must remain orderly and quiet while other teams are performing while participating and/or attending practices, competitions, events, etc.
No team/coach shall enter the practice/warm up area at Elgin Cheer Inc/Xplosion Athletics/Any Event, until instructed to do so.
3. No athlete, coach/manager or parent/guardian, family member, friend shall use inappropriate or offensive language or gestures towards another participant, coach/manager or parent/guardian, family member, friend, judge/event official. **Zero Tolerance Policy* for unsportsmanlike behavior, shall disqualify, suspend or ban any athlete, coach/manager or parent/guardian, family member, friend from Elgin Cheer Inc/Xplosion Athletics, Competitions and/or Event Venue. When at a Competition and/or Event Venue, that individual will be suspended and/or banned and that athlete's team and the entire organization will be suspended for possibly the remainder of the season by the Host/Judging Staff assigned/working at that Competition.
4. Always Use the Chain of Command and it's 24 Hour Rule, #1 Contact your Head Coach #2 Next in Line, Cheer Coordinator, #3 Last, The Owner/Director *if the Owner/Director is unavailable, contact the next in line Board Director which is the Vice President of Elgin Cheer Inc/Xplosion Athletics. NEVER Contact or Approach any of the Event Hosts/Staff/Judges, The Chain of Command will present your questions/concerns on your behalf. If you bypass the Chain of Command, **Zero Tolerance Policy* as described in 3 will also be applied. Suspension/Banned and possibly your athlete, their team, their organization suspended and/or banned.
5. NO FLASH or CONTINUAL LIGHT SOURCE USED While taking Pictures/Videos are allowed. Points will be deducted from that performing team's score sheet for that infraction.
6. NO POSTING ANY PICTURE OR VIDEO on ANY FORM of Social Media/Cyberspace is allowed. Your athlete will be dismissed for the remainder of the season, with no refund of any fees. **Zero Tolerance Policy* as described in 3 will also be applied.
7. Certain Areas of Event Venues will be designated "Child Safe Zones" or "Teams Only". Only the Team/Coaches who are properly credentialed by the Event Host/Staff will be allowed in those designated areas. Any person who violates this rule will be removed from the premise and may result in a team/forfeit/disqualification. The Violation of this Rules includes but not limited to falsification, forgery or improper transfer of coach/manager credentials to another.
8. Proper Organization/Team attire will be worn to all practices/competitions/events, etc. Event Hosts are now giving our verbal warnings/suspensions, for any member not dressed properly at building/venue including Competition Awards Ceremony. Individual/Team must look and be in the same attire, including hair with bow Head to Toe, as they/team competed.
9. Hair always in high pony pulled up and away from face, shoulders with competition bow, *short hair pulled away from face and shoulders. No Jewelry, exposed or hidden, ever. Cannot be taped or bandaged, all Jewelry is removed. No Long Fingernails, hands with palms facing in, one should not see top of fingernails. No Fingernail Polish. No Gum or Candy for all practices/competitions/events. All of the above infractions are violations of the Safety Rules/Regulations.
10. Non participation regarding practices, competitions/events are not to be used as punishment by a parent/guardian for their athlete's actions outside Elgin Cheer Inc/Xplosion Athletics *unless listed in Code of Conduct Zero Tolerance Policy* This not only carries over as punishment for their athlete but also for that athlete's team and organization, as well.
11. Temper tantrums, outbursts, poor attitude, profanity, lewd language, showing disrespect in instruction given, to any Elgin Cheer Inc/Xplosion Athletic Member, Coach, Staff/Volunteer, Athlete/ Family Member, **Zero Tolerance Policy* as described in 3 will also be applied.
12. Bullying in any form, typed, verbal, physical, including postings in any form of electronic/cyberspace is a **Zero Tolerance Policy* as described in 3 will also be applied with immediate dismissal with no refund of any fees.
13. Any athlete who leaves the program after any designated deadline/1st competition/cheers for another organization/all stars/school etc. will not be subject to any refund.
14. Any injuries/illness that would involve more than 2 missed practices, will require a Doctor's note in order to stay an active rostered athlete. First note from Doctor, what is allowed at practice/or why the athlete cannot attend practice. Second note from Doctor, describing why/that the athlete is clear to return to practice. If these 2 notes are not turned in, the athlete will be suspended and then possible drop with no refund of fees.
 - a. Any Athlete/Coach *allowed in gym, who has made contact with someone testing positive for Corona Virus or any contagious/life threatening disease, must report immediately.
 - b. The Athlete/Coach must remain in a 14-day quarantine before returning to the gym/practice/tumble etc.
15. Elgin Cheer Inc/Xplosion Athletics Uniforms are to be washed in PLAIN DETERGENT/GENTLE CYCLE ONLY INSIDE OUT and LINE DRIED. The Athlete's Uniform must be returned cleaned and in good condition immediately at season end, per registration agreement. If not, you will be responsible to paying no less than \$150 to replace used/damaged uniform.

PRINT YOUR ATHLETE'S NAME HERE: _____

HAVE YOUR ATHLETE PRINT INITIALS HERE: _____ DATE: ____/____/____

PRINT YOUR NAME HERE (PARENT/GUARDIAN/COACH/VOLUNTEER): _____

YOUR PRINTED INITIALS HERE: _____ DATE: ____/____/____