



# NORTHEAST OHIO ALLSTARS

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## 2018-2019 ALL STAR PREP INFORMATION

Dear N.E.O. All Star Candidate and Family,

Thank you for your interest in joining the longest running all star program in Ohio! We can't wait to meet each of you during our clinics and evaluations!

N.E.O. will be celebrating their 27<sup>th</sup> year in the competitive cheerleading industry. Over the years, we have trained athletes all over the state of Ohio and created an atmosphere to inspire athletes to grow into successful adults. We will continue with our traditions and will be adding more family to the program this year!

N.E.O. Allstars is very excited to announce its new owner, Brooke Richards. Brooke has been a part of the N.E.O. family for the past couple years and now brings her expertise and passion to the program in a new, fresh way. We are excited to start this new journey!

We look forward to welcoming you to the family! As we develop competitive cheer teams for the upcoming 2018-2019 competition year, we hope that this packet will provide you with all the necessary information for the upcoming season. Please take the time to read this packet in full. With new ownership, we have added NEW information regarding this year! Please discuss this information with your athlete prior to clinics. We hope you find this packet informative and will answer any questions you may have concerning our program.

Good luck to each of you! We will see you at the clinics! We can't wait to meet you!

-The N.E.O. Coaching Staff



## How Do I Sign Up?

**Here is a checklist to help you know what's next!**

- Turn in your Registration Form with your non-refundable \$75 tryout fee. We require a down payment for the cost of tryout clinics.
- Create a parent portal account through [www.neoallstars.com](http://www.neoallstars.com)
- Enroll in June tumbling classes starting May 1st through parent portal
- Attend Mandatory Parent Orientation (must attend one)

### **Wednesday May 9<sup>th</sup> & Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm**

Current Gym

New Gym

- Athlete attends open gyms & placement clinics in appropriate age level (refer to schedule)
- Team Reveal on **Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>** (\$125 Registration fee due 24 hours after reveal)
- Fill out absence/vacation forms and turn in to Program Manager
- Attend team practices starting **May 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup>**

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NEO All Stars

Website: [www.neoallstars.com](http://www.neoallstars.com)

# What is All Stars?

All Stars is a fun and challenging sport offered to kids of all ages and experience! Cheerleading is an innovative sport that includes dance, jumps, gymnastics, tumbling, and stunting! With so many different facets, it requires dedication, team work, and hard work to achieve every individual and team goals!

N.E.O. has a reputation for success and innovation, yet what we value most is family. While pushing our athletes to fulfill their highest potential, we take pride in offering a safe and friendly environment for our athletes to call home. Our energetic, experienced and certified coaching staff provides the ultimate experience from the moment you walk in the door.

## What do we offer at N.E.O.?

We offer a safe environment, highly qualified coaches, and a family friendly atmosphere. We are committed to teaching our athletes life lessons that will sculpt them into a well-rounded athlete.

N.E.O. is committed to the physical, mental and emotional growth of every athlete. No matter the skill level, they are all here to grow as not only athletes, but individuals.

Our owner is committed to maintaining our highly competitive standards by always being available to our families and athletes. Our goal is for all staff, families and athletes to maintain our family- like atmosphere.

The coaches are committed to the training and nurturing of every athlete and continue to be passionate about developing our athletes and teams.

Our facility is strategically organized to provide your athlete a safe environment including the correct progressions to ensure mastery before moving on. We pride ourselves in perfection before progression.

We are committed to making a difference in our community, at the gym and on an individual/team basis.

We want to provide a home for your athlete and create a memorable experience throughout their life. In order to accommodate a successful business, we do not cut costs or offer discounts that would jeopardize the stability of our business.



# All Star Prep Information

At N.E.O. Allstars, we offer teams for different age groups as well as various skill levels. This year, we will take into account their tumbling skills, stunting ability, performance factor, and jump technique. The athletes just has to have the willingness to learn and have fun to be placed on the appropriate team!

In order to determine your athlete's correct age division, we have put together a table below. First, figure out what your athlete's age will be on August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. This is considered your "cheer age" for the duration of the season. All athletes are guaranteed a place on an age appropriate team. Based upon skill and experience, athletes may join an additional team.

<b>Tiny Expo</b> 3-5 years old	<b>Youth</b> 7-11 years old	<b>Worlds Teams</b> 13-18 years old
<b>Tiny</b> 5-6 years old	<b>Junior</b> 8-14 years old	<b>International</b> 14 years old & up
<b>Mini</b> 6-8 years old	<b>Senior</b> 11-18 years old	

## Elite All Star Teams VS All Star Prep Teams

When making a decision to become apart of the N.E.O. Family, we want to provide you with different options to fit your athlete's skill level and your family's needs. We offer two types of All Star teams to choose from. Elite All Star teams will be required to take a tumbling class once a week, practice twice per week, travel out of state, and may be eligible for postseason events. All Star Prep teams will be required to take a tumbling class once a week, practice once per week, travel to local & in state competitions, and are not eligible for post-season events.

Please note that there is absolutely no difference in the quality of training or performance expectations between the two team types. Teams will all utilize the same choreography, music, practice space and coaching staff. We are excited to offer this option to families who want to compete at the elite level but wish not to travel as far.

Each team will have a team parent (Mom or Dad) that will be a huge help to their team! They will be your main source of contact throughout the year regarding team events, practice schedules, and most importantly athlete meet/pickup locations & times at competitions. We will provide them with your contact information you provided on the tryout form – please update us if any of your contact information changes. Please understand you must have an email address and a Facebook page if you want to receive information from our program.

## Practices

### Summer Practices: May 30-August 17

Practices will be during the week. Each team will practice 1.5 hours per practice. Each team will practice one time per week during the summer. Summer practices are NOT mandatory for prep all star teams.

## School Year Practices: August 27-April 31

Each team will practice one time per week during the school year for 2 hours. The practice will be during the week. NEO encourages families to make plans over the weekends! We want our athletes and families to value family time spent outside of the gym. Not to mention, we won't miss any practice times due to competition weekends. We make every effort to keep our practice times on weekday evenings between the hours of 5pm and 9pm. However, there will be times that we will schedule extra practices on the weekends when needed. All school year practices are MANDATORY.

## Extra Practices

Coaches will have the ability to schedule one extra practice a month. It will be on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday. Extra practices will be scheduled at least 3 weeks ahead of time. These dates will be chosen by the coaches and added to the team page. If not needed, then the coach has the authority to cancel it. Extra practices are not mandatory but strongly encouraged in order to have an effective practice. Extra practices can be added immediately due to an emergency extra practice due to injury, replacement, or removal of an athlete.

## Competition Schedule

Dates	City	Competition	Prep Teams
1/5-6/19	Cleveland	All In	X
2/17/2019	Cleveland	Cheer Power	X
3/2/2019	Sandusky	GLCC	X
4/6-7/19	Columbus	Cheer Power	X

## Attendance

All absence requests must be requested & approved by completing a vacation/absence form. This form must be turned in to the owner or Program Manager at least 3 weeks prior to the requested date. This includes vacations, school functions, athletic games, family events.

Athletes are allotted 5 unexcused absences for the entire season. Athletes must not exceed more than 5 excused absences from August 27<sup>th</sup> to the end of the season. All practices will be set in May after teams are formed. We will try to schedule these practices based on the availability that you have submitted. Unexcused and excessive absences may result in a meeting to discuss suspension or removal from the program.

1-5 approved absences – no consequence

6<sup>th</sup> approved absences- owner's discretion to have athlete sit out next competition

7<sup>th</sup> absence - athlete MAY be removed from team

1<sup>st</sup> unexcused absence- any of the above consequences may apply

Partial absence: Count as ½ or ¼ and will accumulate to above totals

\*No refunds of installment fees, competition fees, or cross over fees will be given due to absences or dismissal from team.

## Excused Absences:

- Death in the family
- Severe Illness with doctor's note

## Unexcused Absences: not showing up

- Sickness- athletes are expected to be at practice. Coaches can make accommodations when necessary.
- Injuries- athletes must come to observe practice
- School dances or athletic events (unless pre-approved by owner or program manager)
- Too much homework/disciplinary punishment
- Other sports practices

<b>Important Dates</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Team</b>
May 9th	Parent Tryout Informational Meeting	ALL (Current Gym)
May 15,16,17	FREE Open Gyms for athletes trying out	ALL (New Gym)
May 21st	Parent Meeting/Open Gym	ALL (New Gym)
May 21st	Tryout Fee Due	ALL
May 22-24th	Tryout Clinics	All Teams (New Gym)
May 28th	Team Reveal	All Teams
May 29th	Registration Fee Due	All Teams
May 30th & 31st	Practice Wear/Uniform Fittings	All Teams
May 30th & 31st	Team Practices Start	All Teams
June 11-14th	Technique Camp	All Teams
June 28, 29, 30th	Choreography	Junior & Senior Teams
July 1-7th	Summer Break #1	All Teams
July 23, 24, 25th	Choreography Camp	Mini & Youth Teams
August 19-25th	Summer Break #2	All Teams
September 4-7th	2 <sup>nd</sup> All Star Prep Tryout Clinic	Prep & Tiny Teams
October 1-5	All Star Prep Choreography Camp	Prep Teams
October 28th	Showcase	All Teams
November 11th	Pictures	All Teams
December 23-Jan 1st	Winter Break	All Teams
May TBA	Banquet	All Teams

# Team Placement Information

With the variety of skills used in cheerleading, we want to select the best and safest placement for your athlete. The key is to have fun, build confidence and become a part of the family! Therefore, we want to place each athlete on the proper team to help them grow accordingly! Coaches will take into account the athlete's tumbling skills, stunting ability, performance factor, and jump technique. Tumbling alone does not define the level of the team you will be placed on. In addition, we choose our teams according to bases, back spots, and flyers which make up each stunt group. All teams must have stunt group combinations that will give each team the ability to be successful. Proper placement also includes age appropriate teams throughout all levels. Balance is key when creating our teams!

Tryout Clinics		
Date	Time	Clinic
May 9th	6:00pm	Parent Informational Meeting
May 15,16,17	7:00-8:00pm	Free Open Gyms/Learn Dance
May 21st	6:00pm	Parent Informational Meeting
May 22nd	6:00-8:30pm	Mini & Youth (6-11yrs old) - Tumbling & Jumps
May 23rd	6:00-8:30pm	Junior & Senior (12-18yrs old) - Tumbling & Jumps
May 24th	6:00-8:30pm	ALL Ages - Stunting
May 28th		Team Reveals

\*\$75 Tryout Fee Due by May 21<sup>st</sup> and \$125 Registration Fee Due May 29th

## Payment Policies

For your convenience, we use the Jackrabbit computer program. This is a one stop shop computer program where you will be able to view your account balance at any time. You will also be able to make all your payments online at any time. We still accept cash and check payments at the front desk, HOWEVER, you MUST have a credit card on file! We encourage you to check your accounts often to ensure that payments are made on time. Accounts will be billed the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month! If monthly fees are not paid by the 7<sup>th</sup> of each month, a \$50 late fee will be administered to your account.

\*If accounts are not paid, athletes will not be permitted to practice. The athlete must still attend practice, but will have to sit out and observe until accounts are paid. Missed practices due to accounts not being paid will result in an absence and will be counted against the athlete.

## NEO 2018-2019 Fee Schedule and Information

### All Inclusive Monthly Installment:

Our prep all star season runs for **10 months**, and we make it easy for you to budget the majority of costs by dividing it into month installment payments. For the months of June through March, installments will include the following:

\*Choreography \*Music \*Coaches Fees \*Competition Fees \*Unlimited Tumbling Classes \*Gym Membership

## Registration Fee:

\$125 is due 24 hours after team reveals. Athletes WILL NOT be put on a team until the registration fee is paid. The one-time registration fee includes athlete insurance, athlete USASF membership, and your commitment to NEO Allstars.

Team	One Time Payment	Due 1st of Every Month
Senior, Junior, Youth & Mini - Prep All Star Teams	\$1,500	\$150
Tiny All Star Exhibition	\$330	\$55

Extra Costs Not Included in Tuition		
Description	Cost	Due Date
Prep All Star Uniforms	\$160	9/15/2018
Bow	\$30	9/15/2019
Shoes	\$115	6/15/2018
Warmups (optional)	\$175	8/15/2018
Practice Wear	\$75	6/15/2018
Tumbling Classes	UNLIMITED	Monthly
Booster Club Fee	\$50	6/15/2017
Quit Fee	\$200	7/1/2018

We will have uniform fittings for athletes that do not have a uniform at the first team practice. The cost of a uniform is \$160. Full payment will need to be made to the front desk by September 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Fundraising Opportunities:

We offer multiple fundraising opportunities throughout the entire season through our Booster Club to help offset some of the fees that are due during the season. If you choose to take advantage of the fundraisers you will still need to keep your account current until the profits are applied. More information on fundraising opportunities will be emailed and on the Booster Club Facebook page throughout the season. This is a great opportunity to pay for your season in full! Many parents have fundraised during the summer and have paid 100% of their season.

## Quit Fee:

NEO Allstars requires a huge commitment from each and every athlete. To help ensure this level of dedication from everyone, we have implemented a fee charged to any athlete who quits his or her team. The fee for quitting is \$500 and will be immediately applied to one's account if an athlete quits for any reason after October 1<sup>st</sup>. If your auto pay declines these fees, you will need to refer to the policies you signed when setting up your account. Any fees left unpaid will be turned over to our attorney for collection through small claims court. You also agree in these policies to pay NEO's attorney fees for this process. You will not be refunded any fees paid to NEO Allstars. You will not receive practice wear or other attire if they have not come in at the time of removal.