

BEACH CHEER ATHLETICS



# 2023-2024 INFORMATION *package*

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# Welcome!

Welcome to the BEACH! This is the first step in joining our BEACHFamily for the 2023 -2024 competitive season! **At BCA we pride ourselves on being a life changing program that helps support your child and build their self confidence.** We know you are going to LOVE the BEACH and our program's philosophy.

We are excited to offer teams of every age and level in Season 11, increasing our options to help meet the needs of all our athletes in our growing BEACH family. Our 18,000 square foot state of the art facility is the largest and only one of it's kind in the city. We know our athletes deserve the best training environment, in our new safe, ventilated, stand alone building with a large parent viewing area, in camera viewing, multiple cheer floors, separate tumbling area, and a soaring 24 foot ceiling!

Our gym has grown so much both in size and depth and we have earned a reputation for excellence in our industry, both on the mat and off. Our gym owners have earned accolades for excellence in the cheer and the business world. They are committed to bettering our sport and by volunteering their time working for our provincial governing body to help grow cheerleading in Ontario and working with the Team Canada Academy. Our professional standards are bar none. We go over and above the professional recommendations for our staff and believe in integrity ABOVE ALL else in all aspects of our business. **We are very proud to be considered one of Ontario's elite programs as well as the BEST in Toronto!**

**All of our coaches are passionate about cheer & fostering the love of our sport in our athletes.** We now boast a core staff of full-time professionals for whom coaching is their calling. We only hire the most passionate in the industry and look inward for continuous quality improvement of our program and our staff. We are diligent in background checks and ensuring our employees are the perfect fit. We would ALWAYS put the athlete first above all else. Our BEACHFamily is welcoming and supportive and we know you will love being part of the magic only being at the BEACH can bring. We bring the love to the athletes in our program, from the moment you step through the doors we will focus on empowering our athletes and bringing out their very best.

Fundamentally, cheer is a team sport & we believe that exposure to team building at an early age helps to foster a strong feeling of self-esteem, respect & confidence. Your athlete will develop a sense of belonging in cheer, second to no other sport in developing trust & confidence in your teammates. We believe in supporting our athlete's journey and pushing them to be their very best, with the focus not just on winning but developing life skills that will be beneficial to them long after they have hung up their uniform for the final time.

**We've got even more to be proud and excited for in Season 11!**

Our dream is your dream! We value each and every athlete's contribution to the team and we are building together as a BEACH family, fostering growth within our program. From our littlest athletes to our most elite, it's amazing what happens when goals + commitment come together to make DREAMS come true!

Welcome to the BCA family, we can't wait to show you why it's BETTER at the BEACH!

# Ready to ride the wave?

## Now is the BEST time to save on your 2023-2024 Registration fees!

The registration fee is part of the first payment you make with BCA for the season, it is not an added fee, we've just extrapolated it from the rest. If you are returning, or simply committed to joining our Competitive Program next season, we have a special incentive to register early!

The 2023-2024 registration fee (First payment) will be \$400.00. If you register in advance - you benefit from the savings!

### *Novice Program*

Early Bird:	\$150 - March 31 <sup>st</sup>
On Time:	\$200 - April 1 <sup>st</sup> & beyond

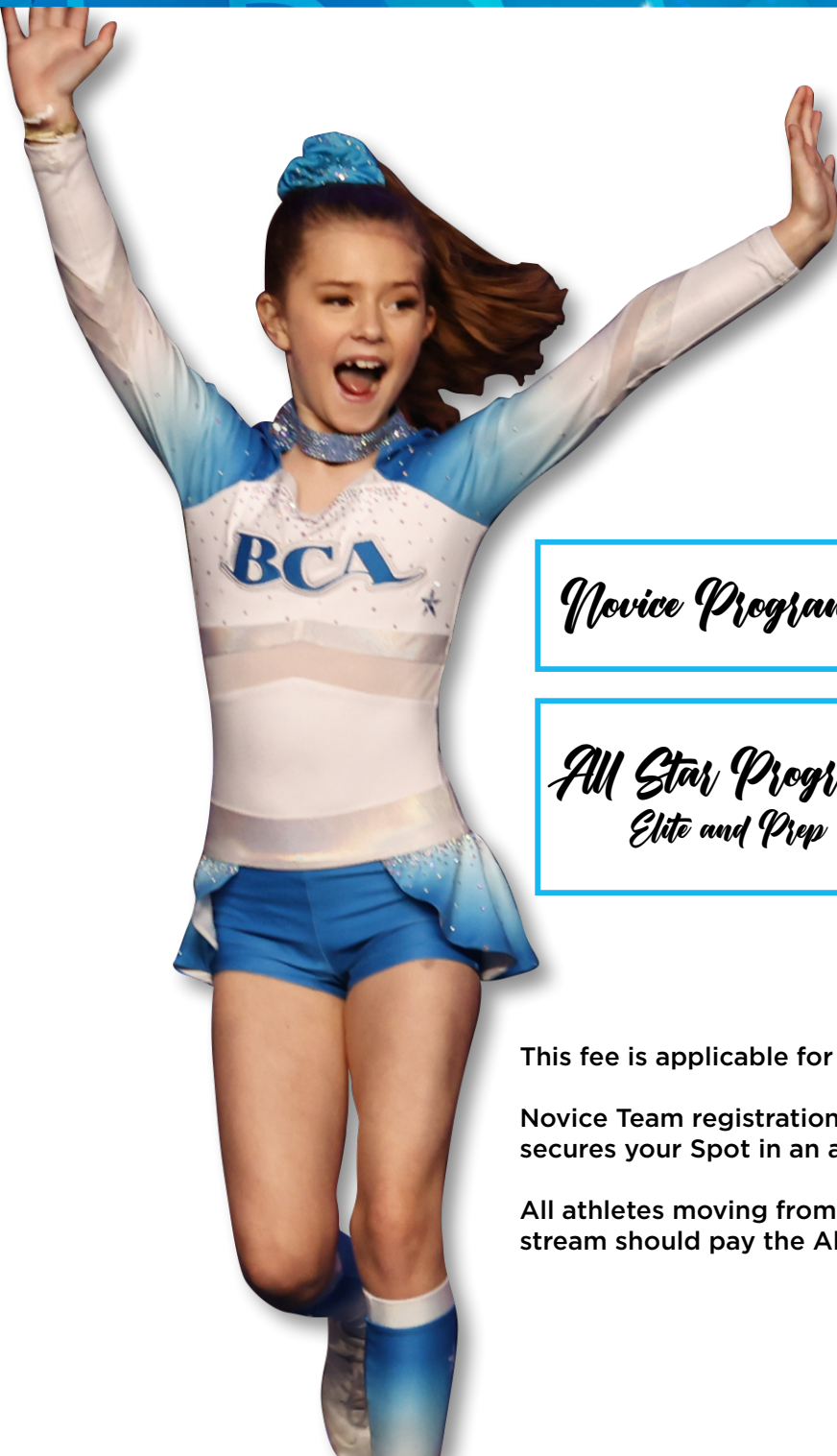
### *All Star Program Elite and Prep*

Earliest Bird:	\$250 - March 31 <sup>st</sup>
Early Bird:	\$300 - April 15 <sup>th</sup>
On time:	\$350 May 1 <sup>st</sup>
Late Registration:	\$400 - June 1 <sup>st</sup> & beyond

This fee is applicable for all competitive teams and is non-refundable.

Novice Team registration is capped at \$200. Registering for the Early Bird secures your Spot in an always sold out program.

All athletes moving from the Novice stream to the All Star (Elite or Prep) stream should pay the All Star Registration fee.



# Team Tryouts

**May 15<sup>th</sup>**

- U6 (born 2016-2018)
- U8 (born 2014-2018)

**May 16<sup>th</sup>**

- U12 (born 2010-2015)
- Flyer (2015 & above)

**May 17<sup>th</sup>**

- U16 (born 2006-2011)

**May 18<sup>th</sup>**

- U18 (born 2004-2009)
- Worlds (born 2008 & earlier)

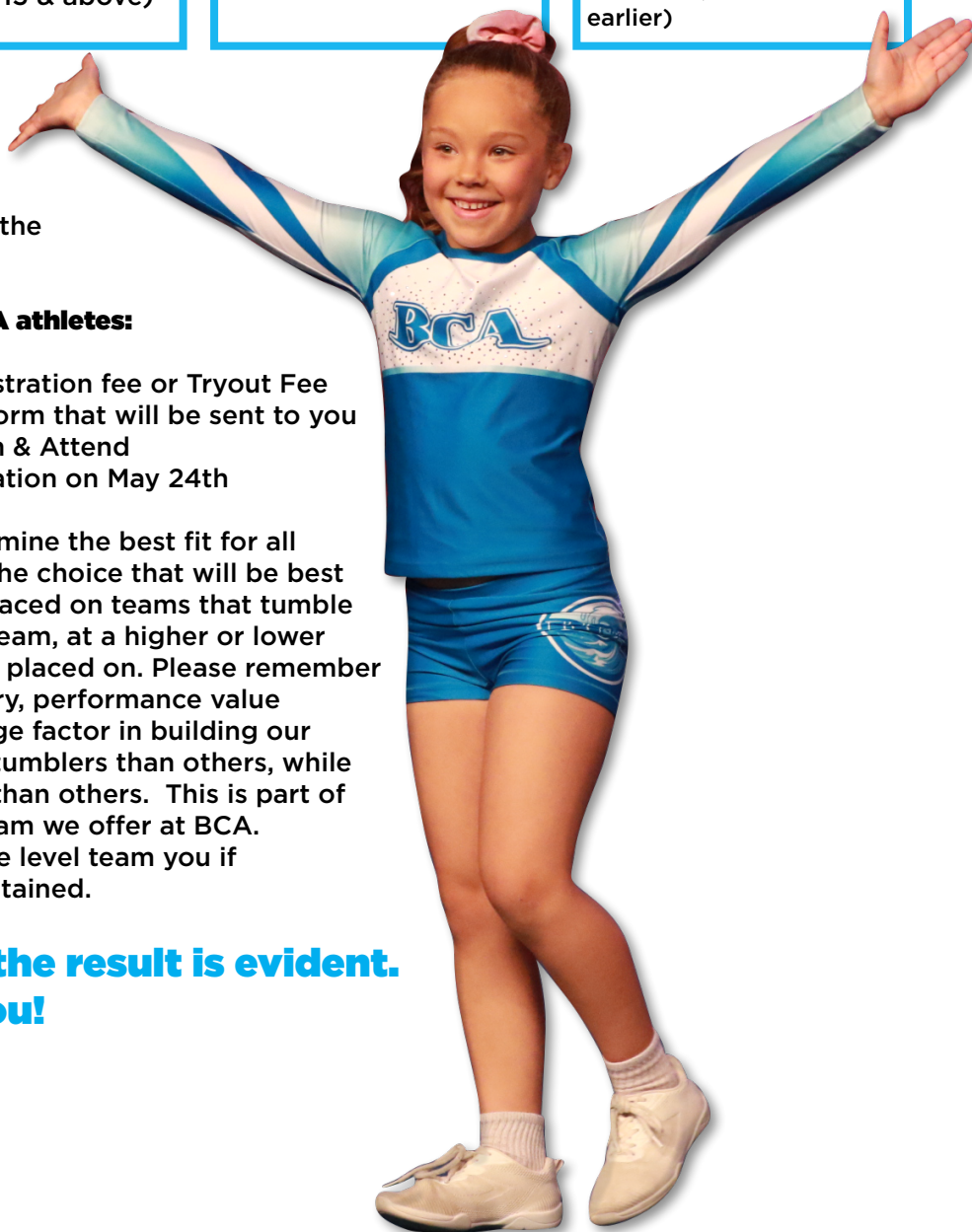
Creating a team is like a giant puzzle that must fit together to function at its best, every athlete is placed on a team where we know they will be the most successful.

**Placement process for 2021-22 for BCA athletes:**

1. Register for the Early Bird Registration fee or Tryout Fee
2. Complete the Self-Evaluation Form that will be sent to you
3. Register for Your Tryout Session & Attend
4. Attend the Team Reveal Celebration on May 24th

Please remember when trying to determine the best fit for all athletes we reserve the right to make the choice that will be best for the team. There may be athletes placed on teams that tumble at different levels than the rest of the team, at a higher or lower level than the team they are eventually placed on. Please remember that building (stunt) skills, jump mastery, performance value (dance and motion perfection) are large factor in building our teams. Some athletes will be stronger tumblers than others, while some will contribute to building more than others. This is part of creating the perfect puzzle for each team we offer at BCA. We also may not place you on the same level team you if your skills (in any areas) were not maintained.

**Trust in the process, and the result is evident.  
We are here to support you!**





# Team Tryouts

At BCA, we have a team for everyone, and we pride ourselves on placing athletes on teams that are the best fit for their skills. Being on the team where your skills are the best fit ensures the most positive experience possible. It is much more important that you are placed on the team that is best fit for you at this time than one that may be too challenging - this can be frustrating for the young athlete!

We strive to make a clear progression plan for every athlete and help them achieve their goals in this sport, and first we need to build a solid foundation of skill, strength, and experience in order to keep the long term health and well being of the athlete in mind. Our progressions are safe and our foundations are strong. Unlike some, we value safety and mastery over ego - always.

For your reference, the table below illustrates the skills we use as a starting point to develop our teams and place athletes appropriately.

<b>NOVICE</b>	No prerequisite skills required	<b>LEVEL 4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standing back handspring series to tuck</li> <li>• Round off back handspring layout</li> <li>• Standing back tuck</li> <li>• Front walkover/Punch front step out through to back handspring layout</li> <li>• Running whip to tuck/layout series</li> <li>• X-out and Step Outs</li> <li>• Full Twisting Mounts to Extended</li> <li>• Double Twisting Baskets and Dismounts</li> <li>• Two Trick Basket tosses</li> <li>• Flyer Air Positions at Extended from a Release</li> <li>• Superior Motion and Dance Performance Skills</li> </ul>
<b>PREP LEVEL 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Round off</li> <li>• Forward roll</li> <li>• Cartwheel</li> <li>• Back straddle roll</li> <li>• Back Kickover/Walkover preferred</li> </ul>		
<b>LEVEL 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standing series Front &amp; Back Walkovers</li> <li>• Round off</li> <li>• Cartwheel</li> <li>• Back extension roll</li> <li>• Connected walkover elements</li> <li>• Waist-high stunts</li> <li>• Two-footed prep</li> <li>• Straight cradles and pop downs</li> <li>• Quarter Twisting Dismounts and Mounts</li> <li>• Flyer Air Positions at waist height &amp; assisted at prep</li> </ul>		
<b>LEVEL 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Back handspring</li> <li>• Round off back handspring</li> <li>• Back walkover/Cartwheel back handspring</li> <li>• Specialty through to multiple back handsprings</li> <li>• Prep level one footed stunts</li> <li>• Straight basket tosses</li> <li>• Half Twisting Dismounts and Mounts</li> <li>• Extended two-footed stunts</li> <li>• Flyer Air Positions at prep height and assisted at extended</li> </ul>	<b>LEVEL 5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standing back handspring series to layout</li> <li>• Running passes to full</li> <li>• Specialty passes through to full</li> <li>• Jump to tuck</li> <li>• Double Twisting Dismounts and Mounts to and from Extended</li> <li>• All Advanced Release and Twisting Skills</li> <li>• Three Trick Basket tosses</li> <li>• Flyer Air Positions in all Skills</li> </ul>
<b>LEVEL 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standing series back handspring</li> <li>• Round off back handspring back tuck</li> <li>• Punch front &amp; Ariel</li> <li>• Jump connected to series back handspring</li> <li>• Specialty through to back handspring back tuck</li> <li>• Extended Single Leg Stunts</li> <li>• Full Twisting Dismounts and Mounts</li> <li>• Twisting basket tosses</li> <li>• Flyer Air Positions at extended height</li> </ul>	<b>LEVEL 6</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standing full</li> <li>• Standing back hand spring series to full/doubles</li> <li>• Running passes to full/doubles</li> <li>• Specialty passes through to full</li> <li>• Jump to tuck/full</li> <li>• Double Twisting Dismounts and Mounts to and from Extended</li> <li>• Free Flipping To Extended</li> <li>• All Advanced Release and Twisting Skills</li> <li>• Kick Double, Hitch Kick Double Baskets</li> <li>• Flyer Air Positions in all Skills</li> <li>• Superior Motion and Dance Performance Skills</li> </ul>

Remember, you should be stunting at the level you tumble to be considered a "best fit" for that level. Athletes who do not meet our Level 1 requirements may be placed on a Novice team.

**All teams in Canada are formed based on the IASF Age Grid for International Divisions:**

U6	Born 2017-2019
U8	Born 2015-2019
U12	Born 2011-2016
U16	Born 2007 - 2012
U18	Born 2005 - 2010
Open	Born 2008 or earlier

# Program Comparison

	All-Star Level 1-2 Prep & Elite	All-Star Level 1-2 Prep & Elite	All Star Worlds	All Star Worlds AB	Novice Level 1
Season	June - April	June - April	June - April	June - April	September - April
Practice Times	3.5 hours per week 1 weekend practice, 1 weekday	4.5 hours per week 1 weekend practice, 1 weekday (some teams may have two weekdays)	5.5 hours per week 1 weekend practice, 2 weekday practices	5 hours per week 1 weekend practice, 1 weekday	1.5 hours per week 1/week day practices
Uniforms	Uniform Not Included, New Athletes must purchase Tracksuit	Uniform Not Included, New Athletes must purchase Tracksuit	Uniform Not Included, New Athletes must purchase Tracksuit	Uniform Not Included, New Athletes must purchase Tracksuit	All Athletes must purchase Uniform
Additional Information	Tryout Required, Skill Maintenance Required, Must Attend Choreography and Skills Camp	Tryout, Skill Maintenance Required, Must Attend Choreography and Skills Camp	Tryout Required, Skill Maintenance Required, Must Attend Choreography, Elite Training	Tryout Required, Skill Maintenance Required, Must Attend Choreography, Elite Training	No Tryout Required, All Skills and Levels



# Teams & Practice Schedule

\*ALL TEAMS, ANTICIPATED DIVISIONS, AND PRACTICE SCHEDULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Team Name	Team Name	Team Name
Swells	U6 Novice	Monday
Ripples	U8 Novice	Wednesday
Synergy	U12 Novice	Monday
HalfPipe	U12 Novice 1/2 Year	Monday & Saturday
Surf	U16/18 Novice 1/2	Monday & Saturday
Bubbles	U6 ASP Level 1	Thursday & Saturday
Rush	U8 ASP Level 1	Tuesday & Saturday
Waves	U8 Level 1	Wednesday & Saturday
Wild	U8 Level 2	Monday & Saturday
Splash	U12 ASP Level 1	Tuesday & Saturday
Swish	U12 ASP Level 1	Thursday & Saturday
Swirl	U12 Level 1	Wednesday & Saturday
Swoosh	U12 ASP Level 2	Thursday & Saturday
Sonic	U12 Level 2	Wednesday & Saturday
Surge	U12 Level 3	Tuesday & Saturday
Breakers	U16 Level 1	Tuesday & Sunday
WaveRunners	U16 Level 2	Tuesday & Sunday
TidalWave	U16 Level 3	Wednesday & Sunday
JetStream	U16 Level 4	Tuesday & Sunday
WhiteCaps	U18 Level 1	Wednesday & Sunday
Rogue	U18 Level 2/3 AB	Wednesday & Sunday
Rapids	U18 Level 3/4	Tuesday & Sunday
Bombora	U18 Level 4.2	Monday & Thursday
ShockWave	U18 Level 5	Wednesday & Sunday
RipTide	IO Level 5	Tuesday, Thursday & Sun.
Crush	IO LEVEL 6 AB	Wednesday & Sunday
LifeGuard	18+ Masters AB	Sunday

\*all teams may be AG or COED

\*AB = All Building

# Yearly Investment

## ALL STAR (ELITE & PREP)

We offer an all-inclusive price for all of our competitive teams. We truly believe that you are investing in your athlete, we want to provide the best possible experience & deliver the highest quality experience possible. By request, we have removed the uniform fee from the main fee. This will be invoiced in July 2023.

The fees below include:

- Membership fee
- Tuition fee - coaching, training, and facility costs
- Competition Fees
- Music fee
- Choreography
- BCA BEACHwear kit - Hoodie, Practice T-Shirt, Practice Tank Top
- Insurance - full coverage for all athletes
- Team Parents contribution to enhance your athlete's experience
- Team & Individual Photo
- End of Season Awards Banquet Ticket for athlete

The first payment is \$500 + registration fee. If you have not taken advantage of the Early Bird Registration sale that will also be paid in your first month. Monthly payments will be divided equally thereafter.



	FULL PAYMENT June 2023	TWO PAYMENTS June/November 2023	6 MONTHLY PAYMENTS July 2023 - January 2024
Level 1	\$2846	\$1473	\$349.43
Level 2-3	\$3086	\$1543	\$369.43
Worlds 1	\$3166	\$1583	\$380.86
Worlds 2	\$2516	\$1258	\$288
Cross Athletes	\$850	\$425	N/A

Additional Fees:

- Rebel Competition Uniform - \$500 (1st year of a 2 year cycle)
- Competition Tracksuit for new athletes - \$250 (2nd year of a 2 year cycle)
- Shoes and makeup
- International Competitions Fees, Clothing Packages, and Coaching Fees
- Travel, Spectator, Accommodation Fees

\*CROSSOVER FEES LISTED INCLUDE TUITION & CHOREOGRAPHY ONLY - COMPETITION FEES EXTRA (APPROX - \$750)

\*TAXES NOT INCLUDED



# Yearly Investment

## NOVICE

We offer an all-inclusive price for all of our competitive teams. We truly believe that you are investing in your athlete, we want to provide the best possible experience & deliver the highest quality experience possible.

The fees below include:

- Membership fee
- Tuition fee – coaching, training, and facility costs
- Competition Fees
- BCA BEACHwear kit - Hoodie, Practice T-Shirt
- Music fee
- Choreography
- Insurance – full coverage for all athletes
- Team & Individual Photo
- End of Season Pizza Party

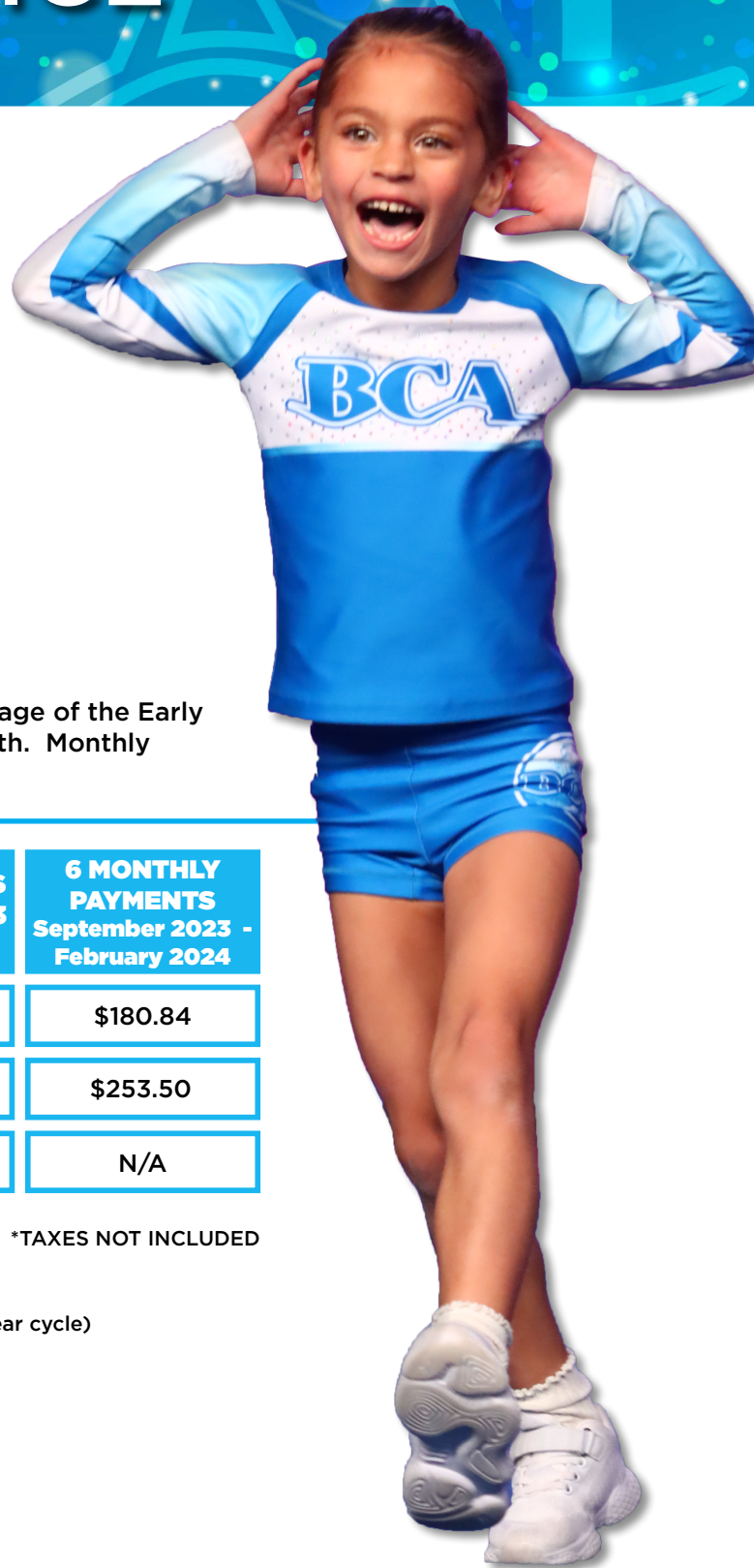
The first payment is \$200. If you have not taken advantage of the Early Bird Registration sale that will be paid in your first month. Monthly payments will be divided equally

	FULL PAYMENT September 2023	TWO PAYMENTS September 2023 January 2024	6 MONTHLY PAYMENTS September 2023 - February 2024
<b>U6 Novice</b>	\$1285	\$642.50	\$180.84
<b>Novice Full Year</b>	\$1721	\$860.50	\$253.50
<b>Novice Half Year</b>	\$450	N/A	N/A

\*TAXES NOT INCLUDED

Additional Fees:

- Competition Uniform for new athletes - \$220 (1st year of a 2 year cycle)
- Shoes and makeup
- Spectator & Accommodation Fees (where applicable)
- Optional BCA Practice Wear
- Optional BCA Program Tracksuit (2nd year of a 2 year cycle)



# Summer Training and Tumbling

We start our season June 5th. Summer Training is for skill development and it is an essential part of our season. End of August /September is putting those skills together and learning and perfecting as a team. The summer IS part of the season.

This season we will require all athletes on a Level 3 team or above be present for 75% of their June, July, & August training in order to maintain their team placement. We do have our regular Summer Gym Closure scheduled for August 7-11th - this is not included in the practice count. Please remember, we also do not schedule team practice on the weekend in June, July, and August in order for families to have more time and flexibility to participate in a wide variety of activities.

We know many athletes enjoy other sports and camps - we love that! We want them to enjoy a well rounded life full of experiences. We just ask that you will act with us as a partner to ensure that you are booking these with your child's team in mind as well. If you cannot commit to summer training and are a higher level athlete, please indicate on your google form so we can make appropriate arrangements. We are always trying to find ways to accommodate our members while still maintaining a high level of integrity to the sport.

We do reserve the right to move athletes to the best fit team before choreography in August. This may mean an athlete will move "up" or "down" a level based on the needs of the team. Lack of attendance at summer training may mean your athlete's placement is changed. In addition, we do work with the athletes that we have in the gym, we do not "save" spots or spaces for certain athletes. Low attendance during Summer Training may affect your athlete's final placement in the routine.

## **BCA Team Choreography**

During Team Choreography each team will be scheduled for 2-3 sessions during the week, during those sessions we will map out the routine and develop stunt and pyramid sequences.

This is an EXTREMELY important part of the season. **Failure to attend choreography may mean your athlete has a limited role in the routine or may even be removed.**

## **2023-24 Choreography Week - August 28th - September 1st**

Please plan to be available this week! Please mark it in your calendars NOW. We try to leave the Friday open if possible for a long weekend but if you miss choreography it is very difficult to work the routine properly. We do not promise to work your child into a certain position if they are not available for choreography.



# 2023 - 2024 Competition Schedule

This schedule is tentative and subject to change.  
Competition fees are included in your Yearly Investment Fees  
Worlds/Summit fees are NOT included

\*\*\*All Eligible U16 & U18 teams may compete for a Summit bid  
\*\*\*\*Swirl, Sonic, and Surge ONLY

	Swells, Ripples, Synergy, Surf, HalfPipe, LifeGuard	Bubbles, Rush, Waves, Wild, Splash, Swish, Swirl, Swoosh, Sonic, Surge, Breakers, WaveRunners, TidalWave, JetStream, WhiteCaps, Rogue, Rapids, Bombora	RipTide, ShockWave, Crush
Unleash the BEACH BCA Pep Rally - TBA November 12, 2023	BCA	BCA	BCA
Cheer Expo November 18th, 2023 CAA Centre Brampton, ON		BCA	BCA
Cheer for the Cure December 2-3, 2023 Oshawa, ON	BCA	BCA	BCA
Feel the Power January 20-21st, 2024 GTA, ON		BCA	BCA
BEB + Showdown January 27-28, 2024		BCA	
OCF Provincials February 24-25, 2024 Brampton, ON		BCA	BCA
Winterfest Feb 24, 2024 Oshawa, ON		*U12/U16/U18 Summit teams only	
Ontario Championship Feb 9, 10, 11, 2024		BCA	BCA
OCF Challenge Cup March 2024	BCA		
Nationals April 12-14, 2024 Niagara Falls, ON		BCA	BCA
The Summit*** Orlando, Florida		BCA	
The Youth Summit**** Tampa, Florida			
The Cheerleading Worlds Orlando, Florida			BCA

# Important Dates

Please keep the following dates in mind when planning your yearly schedules!

## **Important Dates**

June 5<sup>th</sup>

August 7-11<sup>th</sup>

August 28<sup>th</sup> - September 1st

Sept 5<sup>th</sup>

Summer Training Begins!

Gym Closure

Mandatory Team Choreography

Fall Training hours begin

## **Gym Closures**

May 22<sup>nd</sup>

July 1<sup>st</sup>

August 7-11<sup>th</sup>

September 4<sup>th</sup>

October 9<sup>th</sup>

December 23<sup>rd</sup> - January 2<sup>nd</sup>

February 19<sup>th</sup>

March 9<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>

March 29<sup>th</sup> - April 1<sup>st</sup>

Victoria Day

Canada Day

Gym Closure

Labour Day

Thanksgiving

Holiday Break

Family Day

March Break

Easter



# *All Star Team Commitment*

## GYM RULES, ATTENDANCE AND REFUND POLICY

### **All Star Team Commitments**

#### **ATHLETES**

- All practices are mandatory, unless otherwise specified by your coach.
- Wear appropriate training gear at practices - all jewelry should be removed and stored safely.
- Conduct themselves appropriately on social media
- Sportsmanship and respect when representing BCA is paramount
- Zero-tolerance for bullying in any form
- Manage time such that your academic responsibilities and your commitment to your team do not conflict.

#### **PARENTS**

- Read and stay up to date on ALL club information and news posted on the BAND, FaceBook, or e-mail.
- Ensure your athlete is available for ALL competitions (including Pep Rally and Showcase)
- Notify BCA immediately when injury/illness occurs outside of the gym so changes to
- routine choreography can be made prior to practice
- Be on time for all competitions and practices
- Schedule all vacations so as not to interfere with any competitions or mandatory practices
- Notify the BCA using the attendance email of all absences as early as possible
- Sportsmanship and respect when representing BCA is paramount

#### **FINAL FOUR**

- The last 4 practices before any competition (usually 2 weeks) are considered mandatory for athlete inclusion in the upcoming competition.
- Missing a Final Four practice without a valid and pre-excused reason for doing so, may result in your athlete's position being substituted. This is not done punitively, but with the best interest of the team in mind. Commitment to the team is important and necessary for the safety and success of all participants.
- If your athlete is not on the floor with the team (for any reason) they will not be entitled to any rewards, bids, or medals. This is as per all Event Producer guidelines on their allocation of awards.

# *All Star Team Commitment*

## GYM RULES, ATTENDANCE AND REFUND POLICY

### BCA RETAINS THE RIGHT TO:

- Place its athletes on the team(s) it feels will best suit them and the program.
- Move, replace, add, suspend, or even dismiss an athlete for a period of time or indefinitely from a team or the entire program based on criteria including but not limited to:
  - A. Attendance
  - B. Conduct
  - C. Skills
  - D. Finances
  - E. Parent Conflicts
- Decide if an athlete may crossover on more than one team.
- Decide the roles and/or positions an athlete will have/play on their team(s) - (eg. Base, flyer, back spot, tumbler, etc.)
- Request that an athlete or team take additional classes or attend camps to improve specific skills.
- Request extra practices for an athlete or team outside their regular team schedule as required (leading up to a competition, to improve specific needs, etc.)

### ATHLETES WHO ARE INVITED TO CROSSOVER ON MORE THAN ONE BCA TEAM MUST:

- Be in good financial standing.
- Be willing and able to fulfill all the responsibilities required by each team.
- Be responsible for additional tuition and entry fees that incur beyond their first team

## **Sportsmanship and Conduct**

### ALL ATHLETES AND PARENTS MUST ALWAYS:

- Set a positive example for others to follow.
- Be respectful and courteous to everyone.
- Schedule an appointment to speak with a coach or other staff member to discuss any issues that may arise.
- Refrain from gossiping, bullying or any form of verbal or physical confrontation.
- Accept team placements and awards with dignity and class.
- Represent the BCA in an appropriate and respectful manner when using social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc).



# All Star Team Commitment

## GYM RULES, ATTENDANCE AND REFUND POLICY

### ACADEMICS

We believe that school should always be an athlete's number one priority, but not their number one excuse. Please make sure your athlete manages their time appropriately to allow success in both school and in the gym.

### PARENT VIEWING AREA

The provision of a parent viewing area is a privilege. Please ensure that you:

- Refrain from discussing athletes other than your own. Ensure that your discussions are appropriate if there are children present.
- Remove any garbage when you leave and make an effort to keep the area tidy for all of our BEACHFamily.
- Provide supervision for your younger children while classes are in progress.

### BEACH GYM RULES

- Only registered athletes are allowed in the practice area.
- All spectators must remain in the designated area.
- Athletes are not permitted to use their cell phones during practice and are required to either have them on silent or turned off unless otherwise stated.
- We are an athletic organization and as such, we do not allow smoking on our premises, including our parking lot.
- All trash must be disposed of in the appropriate trash receptacles.
- BCA is not responsible for any personal items that are lost or stolen. Please do not permit valuables to be brought to the gym.
- The BCA BAND Team App and FaceBook communication tool must be checked regularly for any and all updates.
- All completed forms or information needed by BCA must be downloaded and turned in to the Office as requested. We do not have the ability to print at the gym.
- All choreography including cheers, dances, stunts, transitions, tumbling, music selections, or editing should be highly protected and shall not be shown or discussed with others. No videos of routines/choreography should be uploaded to any online site or Social Media (SnapChat, Instagram, FaceBook, TikTok, etc) until the routine has been competed.

# All Star Team Commitment

## GYM RULES, ATTENDANCE AND REFUND POLICY

### REFUND POLICY

If, for any reason, your athlete chooses to exit we will be sad to see them go, but want to make sure you understand our protocol.

When exiting the program, we ask that you please let your coach know and follow up with an email to the BCA office: [info@beachcheerathletics.com](mailto:info@beachcheerathletics.com). We will calculate any refund, if applicable, and send it within 30 days of the receipt of notice. If you do not receive it within this time frame, please give us a call at 647-725-6414.

If the athlete leaves within one month(30 days) of confirming their registration, you will be refunded:

- (a) Any competition fees that have not been paid for event registration
- (b) All tuition fees beyond their first month of participation

Any team member who leaves beyond their first 30 days, will not be refunded tuition fees but will be refunded any competition fees that have not been paid for event registration. There will be no tuition refunds beyond Oct. 1st, 2023 regardless of registration date.

Program Fees are non-refundable as they are required to be paid out to third parties by BCA on behalf of the athletes and are considered external costs.

#### Competition Fees:

These fees are paid to the competitions well in advance of any given event. If the fees have been paid to the competition, they are non-refundable.

#### Clothing:

In cases where the clothing hasn't been worn and isn't custom made or personalized, we will gladly provide a refund or exchange.

#### Uniforms:

Uniform Fees are non-refundable



# FAQs

## **What is the best way to contact BCA?**

Please email us at [info@beachcheerathletics.com](mailto:info@beachcheerathletics.com) to book a Zoom call and a gym tour! We will endeavor to answer all your questions as quickly as possible.

## **When my athlete is placed on a competitive team, does that mean they should attend all practices?**

YES! Cheerleading is a team sport. It is imperative that your family commit to having your athlete in the gym whenever possible. We do understand that there may be times when this is not possible, please see our commitment & attendance policy for more information. We do expect a time commitment from your athlete upon registration. To the very best of our ability, we lay out an entire season at the time of registration and expect that you will fulfill your team commitment fully - both practices and competitions. This protects all the athletes on the time and ensures the best experience is had by all!

## **My athlete is new to cheer, will they be placed on a cheerleading team?**

YES! At BCA we have a competitive team for every age & skill level. We will do our best to place your athlete where they will have the most fun, be pushed to improve, & let their skills shine! No experience is necessary. We have worked hard to make sure our athletes have a path of opportunity in order to support their cheerleading career from the very start!

## **What if our athlete wants to cheer but weekend practices don't work for our family?**

This season we will again have competitive teams in our schedule that practice on weekdays only. With our new space comes new opportunity to try to make all options work - we just won't know until AFTER tryouts! Of course we always have our Novice stream. Although there will be 3-4 competitions during the season that occur on weekend, there will be no other weekend commitment! Feel free to cottage and ski away!

## **My athlete is on a Level 1 (or 2, 3, 4) this year, will they automatically "move up" a level this season?**

The short answer is no, not necessarily. Cheerleading is not a sport where you cannot expect to move up through the levels each season.

Here's why:

Firstly, there are a total of 7 levels in cheerleading, with many skills associated in being considered a skilled athlete in each one. Is it improbable to conceive that every athlete would achieve the skills required, as well as have enough athletes doing the same to constitute a team. Skill mastery takes time, rushing athletes through the levels at a quick pace is not always the best path for your athlete. BCA takes the long term approach for the well-being of the youth athlete.

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Secondly, there are many factors that affect the placement of your athlete on the team, excelling in one area may not solely secure their role on a team levelled higher than their current one. As discussed, we take an overview of all the athletes that make up a team & attempt to come up with the best mix. Sometimes, it may be difficult for parents to see their child's contribution to the team clearly. As coaches, we try to look at what is best for the entire athlete taking into account their skill level and their coach ability for the level they are placed on. Our main focus is always fun, team building, & developing self-esteem, we consider this first over every other factor.

Third, an athlete should be placed first where they will have the most FUN! This season it may mean that they stay the same level and truly enjoy the mastery of it.

Success at BCA is built first on feeling success in the team & oneself, not necessarily being on the highest level team. We strive to build athletes who become champions both on and off the mat, building life skills as well as athletics prowess.

## **I want my athlete to be with their BFF, is that possible?**

Possibly. Enjoying the cheerleading experience is the most important goal of being part of the BEACHfamily. If we believe that the athletes fit within the same age group & level, we will do our best to accommodate friend requests. However, if the athletes are mismatched in skill level, we may instead offer one athlete to "play down" a level. We cannot accommodate a request that moves an athlete "up" a level that they are not ready for. This is a safety issue & is not in the best interest in the team or the individual athlete.

## **I have two athletes interested in cheering with BCA. Can they be placed in the same team? This would make my life easier!**

We hear you! Getting kids to their extracurricular activities is a job in itself! We will our best to accommodate family requests if it is at an appropriate age/level for both/all athletes, however, ultimately, BCA will have the final decision on placements. It is in the best interest of the athletes that they are kept in the appropriate age/level in order to maximize enjoyment & benefit from the program. Sometimes what may seem easier from a parents perspective is actually not best - too much time with your sibling can definitely be too much!

We do have very active & engaged Team Parents who coordinate carpools. We will help this process out wherever possible & get your athlete to the gym