



Half Year Information Packet 2021-2022

Welcome to East Celebrity Elite's competitive all-star cheer program! What to expect at East Celebrity Elite in 2021-2022:

- Teams for all ages and ability levels.
- Expert training in a safe, fun and positive atmosphere.
- Top notch tumbling instruction from some of the industry's best tumbling coaches.
- A professional, knowledgeable and caring staff who deliver excellent training while instilling values of teamwork, dedication, and cooperation to all of our athletes.

To all of our returning ECE families, thank you for your continued loyalty and support. You are what makes ECE the best gym in New England. If you are new to ECE this season, we feel fortunate that you have chosen our gym as your home for the 2021-2022 season and we welcome you to our amazing family!

We ask that you and your parent/guardian review this packet and read EVERY PAGE. We ask that you turn in the following items to the front desk.

➤ Updated Physical

You will not be allowed to participate in any classes, practices, camps, clinics, or choreography sessions until these important items are returned with the proper signatures.

2021-2022 PROGRAM FEES

It is our goal, in this packet, to provide all East Celebrity Elite cheerleaders and families with a cost breakdown for the 2021-2022 season in its entirety. Please realize that some of these costs are estimates. When an exact cost is not available, we have tried to provide a price range. Please realize that not all of these fees are due at one time but are spread out throughout the year.

TUITION – \$130.00 per month includes two-1.5 hr classes/week and a tumble classes (Open tumble not included).

The first month of tuition is due the first practice after Labor Day. **Please note:** The above prices include tumbling classes if your child wishes to participate. You must pre-register on the portal.

NEW THIS SEASON: All parents are required to register their athletes directly with USASF. Membership fee is \$30 paid directly to USASF.

MULTIPLE CHILDREN IN PROGRAM

1st child Full Price

2nd child 20% off

3rd child 50% off

Your tuition is the one fee that you will pay on a regular, monthly basis. All other fees are one time fees spread out throughout the season.

PRACTICE WEAR: \$50 Due FIRST Practice

No athlete will receive practice wear until this fee is paid.

UNIFORM/BOW FEE: 12/10-\$295.00 some uniform as last year

Cover Up Shirt and Bow FEE: 12/17-\$75

CHOREOGRAPHY/MUSIC FEES:

\$275.00-1/10

Every child will be required to pay a choreography fee for their routine. We hire many professional choreographers and music producers. Choreography will be during Christmas school vacation days and times TBD

MAKE UP KIT 1/17 \$40

CHEER SNEAKERS: You can also wear any white cheer shoes you have if they are **clean** and in **good** shape. No ripped or sneakers with holes allowed.

COMPETITION FEES: \$500 approximately

\$250.00 Due 1/15

\$250 Due 2/15

Once schedule is set you will receive your final competition fee. Generally half year teams compete Feb-April

Please read all of our policies and procedures carefully prior to registering. All rules must be signed off in Jack Rabbit during the registration process.

***REFUNDS:**

Please read this rule. There will be no exceptions under any circumstances.

MONIES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE!!! Any payments for practice wear, optional pro shop items, uniforms, competition fees, tuitions, camps, clinics, choreography, etc., are non-refundable under any circumstance. You also lose rights to any garments that you have paid for or put a deposit on. If your child decides to leave the program or is asked to leave the program, you will not be reimbursed for any deposits or payments made.

***PAYMENT DUE DATES**

Please be sure to adhere to the payment due dates as your child will not be able to participate in any East Celebrity Elite practices with an outstanding balance. No child will be permitted to participate in any classes, open gyms, private lessons, etc. with a past due account. No child will be permitted to order merchandise from the Pro Shop with a past due account.

Accepted forms of payment are check, money order or cash paid directly to the front desk.

***RULES ABOUT COMPETITION**

1. Your child is there to compete. He/She will have scheduled practices, meetings, and team functions during the time we are there. These are mandatory.
2. Any child who engages in ANY ILLEGAL activity will be immediately removed from the EAST CELEBRITY ELITE program. This includes any alcohol or drug use, smoking cigarettes, and/or stealing. If there are any other illegal activities that are not listed the rule above also applies.

You are representing EAST CELEBRITY ELITE when you travel to a local or out-of-state competition. We take our reputation very seriously and have worked very hard to be regarded as a respectful program with high morals and ethics. We want to ensure that every child is safe and in order to do this, we must enforce these rules to the highest degree. We expect all cheerleaders and parents to display a high level of sportsmanship at all times.

***ABSENTEE POLICY**

Every cheerleader is required to be at every practice, gymnastic class, camp, choreography session and special event. Please note that if you do not adhere to the above rules you can be removed from the squad. East Celebrity Elite reserves the right to remove any child from the program because of excessive excused absences as well. If your child is involved in any activities other than all-star cheerleading, please make sure they will not have conflicts.

Starting at tryouts, each cheerleader will receive **2 unexcused absences** which can be used at your discretion. Please note that you will not be able to use these unexcused absences the week of a competition. Once you have used these 2 unexcused absences, if you miss another practice you will be removed from the team. This attendance policy has been put into effect to ensure that all cheerleaders participate with the same amount of commitment level. Excused absences include sickness but **MUST** have a doctor's note, death in the immediate family or school function that counts as a grade (with note from school). Athletes are expected to arrive 10-15 min. prior to practice to settle in and be prepared to start practice on time. ***If an athlete is more than 20 minutes late this will count as a unexcused absence.*** Consistent tardiness is disruptive and effects the productivity of the team and if it continues after the athlete has been warned then the child will be removed from the team.

***VACATIONS**

Please do not schedule any vacation plans over the Christmas/February break as our All Star Prep teams may have additional added practices at that time. If you are new to the program and have already scheduled vacations, please tell the coaches at your next practice.

***CONTACTS**

Please feel free to contact your coaches with any of your needs throughout the season. If you feel like your concerns can not be resolved with the coaches directly please contact Buffy or Jeanine. You can email us at any time at ecehingham@gmail.com.

***PRACTICE SCHEDULES**

All East Celebrity Elite teams will have their first practice after Labor day. A complete practice schedule will be posted with your tryout results. The team will practice 2x/week for 2 hours each practice. Additional practices may be added prior to competitions or as needed. All athletes are required to attend any additional practices added.

***EAST CELEBRITY ELITE AGREEMENT**

I have read the East Celebrity Elite All Star packet and understand all of the rules and regulations outlined. I agree to abide by these rules and understand that if I do not comply with any or all of these rules, the owners of the program have the right to remove me from the program. I understand the financial commitment and the time commitment needed to participate in this al- star program. If for any reason I cannot fulfill my obligation to the program, or if I am removed from the program, I understand that no monies, merchandise, deposits, airline tickets, hotel reservations will be refunded and I give up my rights to any of these items. I also understand that as a member of the East Celebrity Elite All Star Program, I must hold the ideals and morals that the EAST CELEBRITY ELITE program abides by. I also agree to conduct myself in a mature and respectful manner when attending competitions and East Celebrity Elite functions.

***FINANCIAL OBLIGATION AGREEMENT**

1. All parents/guardians must understand that they assume full responsibility for all costs incurred as a member of East Celebrity Elite including, but not limited to – gym registration/tryout fees, monthly tuition, practice outfits, uniforms, competition and travel expenses, camp fees, or any other item(s), reservations or services purchased or rendered to East Celebrity Elite and the payment in full of those items, regardless of any circumstances that may arise such as dismissal from the team, switching to a new team, etc.
2. All payment due dates must be met.

3. Monthly payments are due the first week of each session. Monthly payments later than the 2nd week of the session will incur a late fee of \$15.
4. Tuition pays for training. It does not pay for the right to perform.
5. Vacations or time off will not be prorated.
6. Any payments resulting in NSF (non-sufficient funds), declined credit card, expired credit card, returned check and electronic debits, etc. will incur a \$25 service charge. It is your responsibility to update your information with us if it changes (ie: – bank acct number, card number, exp date, etc.)
7. All accounts must be in good standing to try out for the 2021-2022 season as well as continuing to participate in practices, competitions and other events.
8. East Celebrity Elite reserves the right to sit an athlete out of practice or to remove an athlete from their team at any time for failure to keep up with financial obligations.
9. Any monies received for an overdue account will be applied to the athlete's account items at the gyms discretion.
10. All tuition/fees must be current before an athlete may collect any clothing/uniform or other retail items.
11. Students with an outstanding balance may not schedule or participate in private lessons. They are also prohibited from taking classes or making pro shop purchases until balance is brought up to date.
12. If an athlete chooses to leave or is asked to leave East Celebrity Elite for any reason before the season is over, any and all funds are COMPLETELY NON-REFUNDABLE.
13. East Celebrity Elite reserves the right to turn over all delinquent accounts to collection agencies and the parent/guardian will be responsible for all additional costs incurred.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

***GENERAL**

1. Only registered athletes are allowed in the practice areas. Siblings, family members, friends, etc. are not allowed in the practice area. Students who are not in a class must not be in the gym.
2. All spectators in viewing area must keep conversation positive and refrain from criticizing other children, coaches, etc. Any issues should be brought directly to Jeanine rather than being discussed in viewing areas. This area is intended to be for your enjoyment. If this area becomes a negative atmosphere, East Celebrity Elite reserves the right to close the viewing area. Staff only is allowed behind the lobby desk.
3. No food, gum, or drinks allowed in practice area.
4. All trash must be disposed of in appropriate trash receptacles.
5. No cell phones are allowed in practice area.

6. All choreography and music is highly protected and should not be shared, traded, shown or discussed with others. NO videos or music should be uploaded to any online site such as YouTube, Face Book, Snap Chat, Instagram, Twitter etc.
7. Every child is required to be at every practice, gymnastic class, camp, choreography session and special event. If for any reason the coach feels that you are not able to fulfill your obligation due to extensive sickness or other commitments, we have the right to remove you from the squad or put you on an alternate status.
8. Every cheerleader AND parent must hold the ideals and morals that the EAST CELEBRITY ELITE program abides by. That includes being a team player, showing respect for all members of all teams, including their own, other teams in the gym, and other competing teams. No foul language should be used at any time while representing East Celebrity Elite. If for any reason we find that a cheerleader or parent is not upholding these qualities, they will be asked to leave the program.
9. East Celebrity Elite reserves the right to place children on the team that they feel best suits their ability, age and needs. We also have the right to change any child at any time in the year to a different team if we feel the needs of the team or the ability of the child has changed.
10. East Celebrity Elite reserves the right to name the alternates to any team in the program at any time during the year. A child can be named an alternate at tryouts, or can become an alternate at any time during the year. Any child that is an alternate is required to pay tuition.
11. We will not go around schedules for any activities that your child may be involved in.
12. Please be aware that our employee office and staff room are exclusively for our staff. If you need to speak to a coach or staff person during working hours, please tell the receptionist and she will schedule a meeting for you.
13. No parent should interrupt a coach or instructor during practice or class. If there is an issue that you need to discuss, please let our receptionist know and we will get in touch with you to schedule a meeting to discuss your concern.
14. NO EAST CELEBRITY ELITE CHEERLEADER is allowed to compete with any other all-star program.

15. No cheerleader is to wear any jewelry during practices or competitions. This is a USASF rule and it will be strictly enforced. It is for the SAFETY of your child.
16. All East Celebrity Elite members must wear ONLY East Celebrity Elite apparel during competitions. No pajama pants, random t-shirts or street clothes are to be worn at any time. Also, no skirts are to be unbuttoned or top to be unzipped. We want our athletes to represent our gym in a positive way. A warm up jacket will be offered this season for purchase.

*WEBSITE

1. The East Celebrity Elite Hingham Facebook page, website and emails must be checked regularly for any/all updates.
2. The website is our primary means of communication at East Celebrity Elite. Any information that needs to be disseminated to students and parents will be posted there.
3. You may not give your Members Only password to anyone and may not share information that is located in the Members Only section of our website. All cheerleaders

will receive a password to register for the Members Only area and it will be required that you have a Members Only account so that you have access to important information.

4. All completed forms and information must be turned in to the ECE office as requested.
5. Message boards and other areas of the website must be used appropriately. Abusive language, negative, or inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.

*HEALTH

1. You must provide East Celebrity Elite with your current health insurance and emergency information.
2. You must inform East Celebrity Elite of any medical condition that may limit or prevent participation in any East Celebrity Elite activity.
3. Immediately notify East Celebrity Elite of any injury sustained as a result of a sanctioned East Celebrity Elite activity.
4. Provide a written physicians note if you are unable to participate, including the duration of time that your participation is limited.
5. Provide East Celebrity Elite with a list of medications that you are currently taking.
6. All athletes must refrain from the use of illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco or any other harmful substances.

*ATTENDANCE

1. You must attend and be ready to participate in all East Celebrity Elite activities including those unexpectedly added throughout the season.
2. Schedule all vacations so that they do not interfere with competition schedules.
3. Notify East Celebrity Elite immediately of all expected absences or tardiness.
4. DO NOT call the day of practice unless there is an unexpected emergency.
5. If you are not feeling well, ***you must be at practice***. Call prior to practice or let coaches know at beginning of practice. In the middle of practice or when asked to do something is not an acceptable time to notify us.

*DRESS CODE

1. Athletes must maintain a groomed appearance and good personal hygiene at all times.
2. Hair must be pulled out of face at all practices and events.
3. While in any East Celebrity Elite clothing or representing the gym in any way, inside or outside of the gym, we expect each athlete to hold themselves at a high standard and to represent the gym in a dignified and positive manner.
4. At competitions you must be dressed in the competition dress code which can include East Celebrity Elite gear, uniform, and/or warm-up. You must be in athletic clothing. No PJ's, UGG slippers or boots, mismatched clothing will be permitted.
5. Socks and sneakers must be worn at all times.
6. Jewelry must be removed prior to meeting times. Coaches will not be responsible for holding jewelry.

7. No colored nail polish at competitions.
8. Dating age students many not show ANY public displays of affection while in an East Celebrity Elite uniform or clothing. Hand holding is also not acceptable while in uniform.
9. All athletes must be in full uniform for all award ceremonies. Uniforms must be completely buttoned or zippered and they must have competition hair and makeup done as well.

*EAST CELEBRITY ELITE CLOTHING/APPAREL

1. No one may use the East Celebrity Elite logo or name for any clothing, novelties, or any other use.
2. Any items that are distributed to any of the East Celebrity Elite athletes, where money is being collected, must be authorized by Jeanine and must be handled by the East Celebrity Elite pro shop.

*SPORTSMANSHIP/CONDUCT

1. Always set a positive example for others.
2. Be respectful and courteous to everyone. This includes officials, security at competitions, cheerleaders from other teams, etc.
3. Refrain from gossiping! You will have a much more enjoyable season.
4. Refrain from using abusive language and physical confrontations of any sort.
5. Schedule an appointment to speak with Buffy or Jeanine for any issues that may arise throughout the season.
6. Accept placements and awards with dignity and class.
7. Always cheer on other teams and gyms.
8. Remember that East Celebrity Elite has formed relationships with other gyms, competition companies, etc. throughout the years. You are expected to always uphold proper sportsmanship at all times.
9. Remember that your coaching staff will deal with any scoring issues at events. This is not something that parents or cheerleaders should discuss and under no circumstances should any parent approach a judge or competition official for any reason.
10. All cheerleaders and parents must refrain from expressing any negative opinions on public message boards and internet sites. Please do not post negative comments toward any other gyms, competition companies, etc. Please do not make predictions regarding our gym and our teams at the various events we plan to attend. We prefer that athletes and parents refrain from posting on these sites entirely.

*COMPETITIONS

1. All families must book their travel arrangements in a timely fashion.
2. Athletes must not leave the gym to travel to an event prior to their last scheduled practices. You must check with your coaches or refer to the website so that you will know the expected dates of departure. Anyone found to have booked their travel before

the allowed date will be asked to change their travel plans or the athlete may be replaced in the routine.

3. Athletes must arrive to meeting times and competitions on time.
4. You must follow the designated travel dates, scheduled meeting times, activity times, etc. set forth by East Celebrity Elite at all competitions.
5. All competition dates, venues, and itineraries will be released on the East Celebrity Elite website and or team Facebook page as soon as we have that information.

***Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/Covid-19**

I agree for my athlete: The coronavirus, Covid-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. Covid-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people. East Celebrity Elite has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of Covid-19, however, ECE cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with Covid-19. Further, attending ECE could increase your risk and your child(ren)'s risk of contracting Covid-19. By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of Covid-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by Covid-19 by attending ECE and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by Covid-19 at ECE may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to ECE employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families. I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)'s attendance at ECE or participation in ECE programming ("Claims"). On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of a relating there to. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of ECE, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a Covid-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any ECE program.

***Must Be agreed upon by a parent or legal guardian in Jack Rabbit during the registration process.**