



## South Shore Cheer Boosters Club

Welcome to the 2023-2024 As a member of ECE Hingham you are also a member of South Shore Cheer Boosters. We are a non-profit organization to help offset the cost of cheer for our athletes.

### **2022-2023 Board Executive Members:**

President- Elizabeth McDonald

Vice President- Jackie Williams-Pina

### **Booster Fee:**

As a member of South Shore Cheer Boosters, you will be charged a \$20.00 fee through ECE Hingham via jack rabbit. This money is used to help with running the booster program.

A 5% fee will be taken off all money fundraised through boosters which includes team fundraisers and put into the general fund. Below are some examples of how the 5% fee will be used but are not limited to:

- Banquet
- Team Events
- Gifts for Summit/World's teams
- Gym wide outings/gifts
- ECE Scholarship towards returning athletes.

Please note there will be no fundraising allowed except through Boosters this would include but not limited to Go Fund Me Accounts. No athlete should represent ECE and/or wear the uniform in a non-approved fundraiser by ECE Hingham and Boosters.

Please note that if an athlete/parent is discovered to fundraise without going through boosters it will result in the removal from any future fundraisers as well as consequences outlined by the ECE Hingham owners.

We welcome any fundraiser ideas so please email the boosters at [cheerboosters02043@gmail.com](mailto:cheerboosters02043@gmail.com).

### **Reimbursement:**

Money raised through fundraising will be submitted directly to ECE Hingham on a monthly basis. There will be NO checks written to Athletes/Parents. Your account will be paid off in the order it is due. For example: If you have \$300 in your booster account and at ECE you owe tuition and a comp fee, your funds will go to the tuition and apply the rest to the comp fee. Your funds will be applied to your account as charges become due. Your funds can be used for the following:

- Tuition
- Comp Fees
- Uniforms and Practice Wear
- Camps/Clinics/Choreography
- ECE Hingham PRO shop only
- The Summit Championship and/or The Cheerleading Worlds' fees

Please allow ECE 7 days to post to your account. Please plan accordingly when the fees are due as we cannot cut separate checks for reimbursement.

In the event that you are paid off completely for the 2023-2024 season (all fees, tuition, crossover fees and Summit/Worlds' fees) and still have funds, they can be rolled over to next year's season or the athlete can be reimbursed for travel. Athletes will need proper receipts for hotel and airfare showing that expenses have been paid. In order to do this, the athlete will be given a form to fill out and attach the receipts to it. Forms will not be given out until Boosters verifies with ECE owners that the athlete is 100% paid off for the season with all fees, tuition, crossover fees and Summit/Worlds' fees.

If you are no longer a member of ECE Hingham, all money raised will be forfeited to the general fund and you are still obligated to pay the amount you owe directly to ECE Hingham.

### **Canning Rules:**

Please note that due to COVID 19, we do not know what stores will be allowing canning.

Typically, in normal circumstances, canning starts on June 1, 2023 and runs through the summer and into the fall. The regulations to participate in canning are as follows:

1) In order to participate in canning, we ask that you provide a location. This can be any food store, coffee shop, etc that will allow soliciting at their location. You secure this by calling or speaking with the store, securing a date or multiple dates and time slots offered. If a store requires a letter from our organization, this can be provided upon request. Once you have a confirmed location you email this information to cheerboosters02043@gmail.com

2) As a perk for securing a location, you will be offered one preferred spot at your store in one of the time slots you provided. You can obtain one a month (so if you provide multiple locations for

one month, you only get one preferred pick a month) This will be set up via email above and placed on the sign up genius before it goes out to all others. This will count as your first pick of the month.

3) Sign ups go out monthly, then weekly. On the Tuesday before the first Saturday of a month, the sign up genius will be sent to those that provided a location for this upcoming season. You will get to choose 1 slot on 1 date from the entire month (unless you have a preferred spot and if you do, you will have to wait until Thursday). Remaining slots for that upcoming weekend will be re-released on Thursdays and at that time you may select a second slot of your choice. The rest of the month, the Tuesday before a weekend, any slots remaining for that weekend will be sent out. You may select an additional slot at that time.

4) Money collection directions will be sent to those canning prior to their shift. You must count the money collected with the other person and obtain a money order payable to SSCB for the entire amount collected that day. This money order should have the store, date canned, athletes names written on them so they can be credited to their accounts. You must also SIGN the money order and put your address on the address line. We do not accept cash/coin turn ins and we also do not accept personal checks. If you turn in cash/coin and/or a personal check they will be returned to the athlete – **no exception**.

Most times, parents will go to a spot in the store or to one of their cars to count up on site. This ensures that both are aware of the amount prior to leaving that day. Money orders can usually be purchased right in the store you worked at and cost a dollar so that can be taken right out of canning funds raised. Change can be counted in coin star machines as well if desired. I usually take a photo of the money order and text it to the other person so we both have it for our records.

5) Money orders must be turned into the gym the first practice following your shift. You are holding up someone else's money if you do not turn it in quickly. These can be placed in the **BOOSTER mailbox - located in the lobby at the gym. Do not put it in the mailbox by the reception desk as that is for ECE payment only and will delay the time for your reimbursement. If the athlete is bringing the check to the gym, please make sure they are aware of what mailbox to put it in.**

Failure to turn in money orders will result in removal from canning for future dates. **Failure to turn in your money in your first practice following the canning shift will result in suspension from your next scheduled shift. Second offense will result in a two day suspension from your next schedule shifts. Three offense will result in removal from canning for the rest of the season. This will be strictly enforced!**

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6) Athletes are to look presentable. Please wear ECE clothing or Blue/Black if you do not have anything ECE. Absolutely no sports bras to be worn unless under a T-shirt. Hair should be in a bow and athletes should have a decorated can to collect money in. The clear paint buckets from a

craft store work great and can be decorated.

7) Athletes should be polite, well behaved (no tumbling, running around, not sitting down, etc). **For the safety and security of our athletes, they cannot be dropped off (a parent must accompany them) and siblings/friends are not allowed to accompany them. We take this very seriously and failure to comply with this will result in the immediate dismissal from canning for the rest of the season.** Athletes canning should split up if the store has 2 doors. Please be on time and do not leave your shift early. We always can outside of the stores, unless the store tells you differently.

8) Cancellations of canning shifts must be 48 hours in advance. Less than 48 hours prior to a shift will result in a one-week suspension from canning from your next scheduled shift for the first offense. Second offense will result in suspension from canning for two weeks and the third offense will result in removal from canning for the rest of the canning season.

Always remember, you are representing ECE. If we get complaints from stores about failure to adhere to the rules, you will not be allowed to can in the future.

In addition to Canning, we will be doing product sales and raffles as well. That information will be posted on the Booster facebook page announcing when they will be.

In the event your team gets a bid to Worlds' and/or Summit, you can do a team fundraiser. Please note that these fundraisers are to be planned by the team and are subject to the booster fee. We will allow teams to fundraiser prior to getting the bid; however that money can only be used when the team gets a bid. If by the end of the season the team does not get a bid then the money will be divided up by the participating athletes and placed in their ECE accounts as a reimbursement.

I have read the rules and regulations of South Shore Cheer Boosters and agree to all the terms and conditions.

**Athlete's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Contact Number:** \_\_\_\_\_