

Wicked ELITE

2024-2025 Season Tryout Info Packet

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Wicked Elite is a home we take pride in. We strive to make sure Wicked Elite is not just a “place” but a program you can call home. Our mission is to create a safe, fun, encouraging environment specializing in cheerleading for the leaders of the future. Wicked Elite believes that every child can reach their potential through positive guidance and superior instruction in a nurturing atmosphere and encouraging growth in their everyday lives.

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We are thrilled to release our information/tryout packet for the upcoming 2024-2025 season. Thank you for considering Wicked Elite for your athlete. We look forward to welcoming your family to Wicked Nation!

- **What is allstar cheerleading?**

All Star cheerleading is a competitive sport in which teams perform a routine that consists of stunting, tumbling, motions, and dance. These teams compete locally and nationally on a 42x54 spring floor in front of a certified judging panel. Our full season teams are a part of our competitive cheerleading program that include athletes ages 6 and older and range in levels 1-6. Our season kicks off in June and goes through the end of April. We will have a tryout in August for athletes 3-5 years old. When we are placing athletes on teams, we are looking for mastered skills in tumbling, jumping, stunting, motions and behavior in order to be placed within a certain level.

- **Tryout Process**

Tryouts at Wicked Elite will be low-stress workouts. During tryouts, athletes show skills they have mastered and demonstrate the potential to learn new skills. Athletes are given numerous opportunities to show skills during their tryout. This also gives athletes and our coaching staff time to get acquainted with one another. During the trial practices, the staff assembles rosters for the upcoming season. There are many things considered when placing athletes and forming teams. Athlete's individual skills, experience, and what would form the most competitive and successful team. After rosters are set, athletes will attend the Rainbow Party to find out the results of tryouts.

- **Tryout Times**

The **first tryout** will be a level evaluation based on the skills the athlete already has mastered. For example, if the athlete has mastered 85% of the required level 2 tumbling skills, they will attend the level 2 evaluation time slot. The **second part of the tryout** will be trial practices with other athletes that will include tumbling, stunting, jumping, and/or choreography. We will send out an email after all level evaluations are completed to notify you what day and time your trial practice tryout will be. **All tryouts and trial practices are closed for viewing.**

Level Evaluations :

May 17th- 5:30- 7:30pm - Level 1 Tumbling Evaluation

May 17th- 8:00-9:00pm- Unsure of Level Evaluation

May 18th- 10:00am-12:00pm - Level 2 Tumbling Evaluation

May 18th- 1:00-2:30pm- Level 3 Tumbling Evaluation

May 18th- 3:30- 5:00pm - Level 4, 5, 6 Tumbling Evaluation

May 18th- 5:30- 6:30pm - Unsure of Level Evaluation

Trail Practices: May 20-24

By May 19th, you will receive an email with the times your athlete needs to attend trial practices. Athletes may move times throughout the week if a coach request it. We will notify the parent of the change.

*****Please remember to trust our process and the trial practices are not exactly the level/team they will make. Things continue to be moved around even after trial practices are completed as coaches discuss the best placement for all athletes.**

- **What to wear to Tryouts**

We invite everyone who is trying out to have fun and dress in their favorite theme for their **first tryout**. This can be a character, color, holiday, etc. Have fun with it! Make sure you are able to tumble comfortably in your practice wear of choice. Please do not wear any team apparel from

Wicked or other programs. Hair must be pulled away from the face and cheer shoes must be worn. **For all trial practice**, athletes must be dressed in all black with hair pulled back from face.

- **Time Commitment**

Most athletes will have 2 team practices and 1 tumbling class per week (except our exhibition team which will practice one day a week). You can anticipate extra practices to be held for choreography, during competition season, and for extra work at the coaches discretion. Athletes' attendance is essential for a team's success as well as their individual progression. Athletes will be permitted to miss a limited number of practices throughout the season. Missing practice could affect an athlete's position on the team.

- **Absence Notice**

If an athlete is going to miss practice for any reason, you will need to let your coaches know ASAP and prior to the missed practice. You should send an email to wickedelitecheer@gmail.com of the absence.

***Athletes that miss practice within two weeks prior to a competition may not be able to compete at that competition.

- **Competition Schedule/Travel**

The competition schedule will be released after tryouts. Our full season teams will compete at both local and out-of-state competitions. Athletes' attendance is mandatory at every competition. Travel cost is not included in your monthly tuition and each family is responsible for getting their athlete to and from the competitions. Many of the events we attend are considered "stay to play" which require athletes in attendance to book through the sanctioned hotels. Links to those hotels will be sent out in the months leading up to the event. Athletes that do not comply with the stay to play policy may result in team disqualification.

- **Pricing**

Competitive cheer, while not as costly as some youth activities, can still be expensive. Before considering Wicked Elite or any program, please consider the financial commitment involved. All fees will be released in the 2024-2025 handbook after the Rainbow Party. We have an all inclusive monthly price that covers most of the expenses throughout the year (gym tuition, competition fees, choreography fees, music fees, practice wear, shoes, bow/skrunchie fee, coaches fees and special event fees). Uniform charge will not be included in monthly fees but will be paid in installments. During the 2024-2025 season, there will be 11 monthly charges beginning June 2024 through April 2025. The first month's tuition will be due at Commitment Days. For the remaining months, tuition is payable on the 1st of each month (July tuition due on July 1st, etc.). This fee does not fluctuate from month-to-month. Tuition does not change based on the number or length of practices in any particular month. We do offer a sibling discount. If a family's account is not current, athletes may be removed from practice until the account is paid up to date.

- **Apparel**

All athletes will be required to wear a designated "practice wear" on their first practice each week after the apparel arrives. Sizing for practice wear and the uniform will begin on Commitment Days. Athletes are expected to come to practice with their hair up, shoes on, athletic bottoms (ex: spandex, shorts or leggings), and sports bra/fitted shirt. All Wicked Elite logos and intelligence are protected and cannot be duplicated.

- **End of Season Events**

All teams will work towards earning a bid to an end of the season competition. If your team earns a bid, there will be additional costs that have not been included in your tuition. These fees will be determined once/if a team receives their bid.

Things You Need to Know

- Athletes and guardians are required to exhibit positive sportsmanship and respect at all times while representing Wicked Elite Cheer.
- It is mandatory to show up to all practices, competitions, and events on time.
- If your athlete is shifted to an alternate position, your tuition will be adjusted to reflect this change. You may still be responsible for paying competition fees depending on when your athlete's position change.
- Athletes that are asked to crossover to an additional team will be responsible for paying for those crossover fees in addition to their regular tuition. (Crossover is an athlete being on two different teams in the same season. Crossovers are being limited for the 2024-2025 season.)
- Athletes are required to wear the appropriate practice wear to their first practice day each week as well as proper attire to competitions (including hair and makeup).
- Social Media posts that are deemed to be a poor representation of Wicked Elite Cheer may result in suspension or removal from the program/team.
- All personal items MUST be placed into a cubby in our athlete area. Personal items are not to be kept on the facilities floors or undesignated spots. Wicked Elite Cheer is not responsible for any lost and/or stolen items.
- We encourage athletes and families to have open communication with their coaches. Please feel free to talk to them about anything. We just ask that you do this at an appropriate time, such as before or after practice or you can always send them a message to schedule a meeting.
- Additional privates, classes and/or practices may be required in order to ensure athletes are physically and mentally able to perform their competitive cheer skills.
- Gossip about other athletes, teams, coaches, and/or staff will not be tolerated.
- Wicked Elite is not a babysitting service. We are not responsible for athletes outside of their scheduled practice/competition/event times.
- Practices may be changed or added at any time during the season.
- If someone threatens to quit or pull their child from a team, they will be dismissed from the program immediately.
- Athletes and staff are the only ones allowed on the cheer floors.
- No one is allowed to try to make contact with athletes on the floor while they are practicing. If there is an emergency, you may ask the front office to get your athlete. No coaching allowed from spectators in the gym.
- All coaches and/or directors have the right to close practice at ANY time for ANY reason.
- It is the guardian's responsibility to be aware of what is going on with their athlete's team(s). It is essential that you check your emails, the team/program Facebook group page and Facebook messenger group.
- Withholding your child from practices and/or competitions as a punishment will NOT be allowed.
- Homework is not an excusable reason to miss practice.
- Parents, family members, friends, and athletes are NOT allowed to talk to competition officials for ANY reason.
- Parents are NOT allowed to represent Wicked Elite Cheer under any circumstances concerning accommodations, competitions, or any other situations.
- Absolutely NO arguing and/or questioning coaching decisions at competitions.
- Any issues that arise between athletes/parents will be addressed with all parties involved in a meeting with your coaches and the directors.
- Wicked Elite Cheer reserves the right to refuse service at ANY time for ANY reason.
- Wicked Elite Cheer Directors reserve the right to change, add, or eliminate any policy at any time.
- If you have any questions that need immediate assistance. Please use the following chain of communication:
 1. Team Moms
 2. Team Coaches
 3. Directors

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Registration for the 2024-2025 Season Tryouts opens on April 12th on our website www.wickedelite-cheer.com.

There is a \$55 tryout fee that will include the level evaluations, trial practices, and a season 5 shirt. (Shirts will be given after tryouts in June)

After tryouts and trial practices are completed, we will invite everyone to our annual Rainbow Party. The Rainbow Party is a fun and exciting event where all families can celebrate the start of Season 5. This is also where the athletes will find out what team they will be a part of for the 2024-2025 season! The Rainbow Party will have games, food trucks, activities, and other vendors for all to enjoy! After the celebration, there will be a virtual parent meeting where the handbook and other important details will be discussed. The athlete's will be asked to join us for Commitment Days. This is when the family will commit to Wicked Elite for Season 5. Each athlete will be sized for practice wear, uniform, and shoes and first payment will be due.

LIST OF EVENTS

- **Tryouts**
 - May 17th-18th Level Evaluations
 - May 20th-24th Trial Practice
- **Rainbow Party**
 - May 29th - 5:30-7:30pm
- **2024- 2025 Handbook released**
 - May 30th by noon
- **Parent Meeting (Virtual)**
 - Returning Families- May 31st 5:00PM
 - New Families- May 31st 6:00PM
- **Commitment Days**
 - June 3rd and June 4th 5:00PM - 8:30PM
- **1st Practice starts**
 - Wednesday, June 5th

AGE GRID

Division	Birth Year
Tiny Novice/ Exhibition	2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
Tiny	2017, 2018
Mini	2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
Youth	2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
Junior	2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
Senior	6/1/2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012
International/Open	5/31/2007 & before
U-16	2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013
U-18	2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011

LEVEL REQUIREMENTS

Here is an idea of skills that are required at each level. There are many things considered when placing athletes and forming teams. Athletes' individual skills, experience, and what would form the most competitive and successful team. Please see our website for videos of skills.

LEVEL 1	
ELITE TUMBLING	STUNTING
BWO Series	One leg stunts with body position at gut
BWO Switch Leg	Two leg stunts at prep cradle
Back Extension Roll- BWO/BWO Series	Braced Body Position at Prep Level
FWO-CW-BWO/BWO Series	Braced Tick Tock at Prep
FWO-CW-BWO Switch Leg	Quarter Turn to Body Position at Prep
Valdez	Tik to Tok Body to Body at Prep
All skills must be performed without a spot with near perfect execution. (Legs must be straight and toes need to be pointed)	
LEVEL 2	
ELITE TUMBLING	STUNTING
BWO Switch Leg-BHS	One legged body position at prep
BHS Step Out-BWO-BHS	Body Position to Body Position Tick Tocks
BWO BHS	Half up to extension two feet
FWO-RO-BHS/BHS Series	Straight ride baskets
RO-BHS Step Out-BWO-BHS/BHS Series	Half twisting tick tock at prep
All skills must be performed without a spot with near perfect execution. (Legs must be straight and together and toes need to be pointed)	
LEVEL 3	
ELITE TUMBLING	STUNTING
BHS Step Out-BHS Series	Half turn to one leg extension with body positions
BHS Step Out-BWO-BHS Series	Full twisting inversion to single leg at prep
Jump-BHS-Jump-BHS	1 Skill Basket, Twisting Basket
FWO-Aerial	Release move to single leg body position at prep
FWO-RO-Tuck	Full Up to body position at prep level
RO-BHS-Tuck	
All skills must be performed without a spot with near perfect execution. Need to have proper set technique and height in tucks, legs straight and together in BHS, and strong speed.	

LEVEL 4	
ELITE TUMBLING	STUNTING
BHS/BHS Step Out-Tuck	One leg extension with body positions full down
Jump-BHS-Tuck	Double full down from two legged stunt
PF Step Out-RO to Layout	Full up to single leg
RO-Whip/Tuck-Tuck/Whip/Layout	1 Skill 1 spin basket, 2 Trick Basket
FWO-RO-Whip/Tuck-Whip/Tuck/Layout	Release to extended extended body position
RO-BHS-Layout	
All skills must be performed without a spot with near perfect execution. Layouts need to have proper set and proper body form, standing tucks with legs together	
LEVEL 5	
ELITE TUMBLING	STUNTING
BHS-Layout	Lib to body position high to high tick tock
Jump-BHS/BHS Series-Layout	Full up to body position
BHS/BHS Series-Whip-to-Layout	Inversion to extended one leg stunt
PF Step Out-RO-to-Full	Double down from single leg extended stunt
RO-to-Whip-to-Full	2 Skill 1 Spin Basket, 3 Skill Basket
FHS-PF Step Out-RO-to-Full	½ Turn switch up extended to body position
All skills must be performed without a spot with near perfect execution. Fulls need to have proper set and proper body form, standing tumbling with legs together with speed and power.	
LEVEL 6	
ELITE TUMBLING	STUNTING
BHS Full	Body Position to Body position High to High tick Tock
Standing Full	Released Inversion to Body Position
BHS series double full	Full Twisting Tick Tock to Body Position
Round off BHS double full	Full Twisting Switch Up to Body position
RO - Arabian/Half Full step out - RO - to - Full	Kick Double Basket
RO - to - Full - Full	1-1/2 or double up to extension
All skills must be performed without a spot with near perfect execution. Fulls/Double Fulls need to have proper set and proper body form, standing tumbling with legs together with speed and power.	

