

Matteson Bears Cheer and Dance Program

All Participants are **STRONGLY** encouraged to commit to football and competition season. However we understand that this is not always feasible, so please note if your child will only participate in the sideline/football season. Sideline only practices will be limited in comparison to our competition practices. We cheer at all weekend home and away games, in good and inclement weather. Practices begin the second week of July with a two week camp; Monday-Thursday the first week and Monday – Friday the second week, with a parent showcase on the final day of camp. Once school starts teams do not practice more than 3 days a week.

During the Competition season, we will participate in 4 competitions that run between September and November. During this time, our teams adhere to the IRCA rules and regulations. Each team will have the opportunity to advance to the State Championship Competition, which is typically held the second weekend in December. Competition practices begin in September and are **MANDATORY**. While we understand that special circumstances may arise, each participants' dedication is essential to ensure successful practices for each team! Please contact your child's coach in advance of any absences and maintain communication throughout the season. Additional practices may be held prior to competitions.

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\$265.00 Registration Fee. This fee covers, cheer spunks, hair bow, sideline shoe, socks, a bag, and the rental of the cheer uniform. The season runs from July until playoffs are completed in November, so this fee covers a five month cheer program. This fee also covers Kick off picnic, homecoming activities,, end of year banquet ticket and trophy, and cost to run the organization (insurance, storage, field up keep, and etc.)

\$150.00 for dance competition. This will cover 3 IRCA competitions (\$69.00) and 1 local competition (\$10.00). This fee will also cover a competition costume.

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\$150.00 for cheer competition. This will cover 3 IRCA competitions (\$69.00) and 1 local competition (\$10.00). This fee will also cover a competition bow and rental of competition uniform.

\$50.00 Warm-up. All cheer leaders are required to have a warm up jacket/pants. This is a mandatory part of the uniform.

Additional Mandatory fees

These fees are approximate. The final fee will be determined based on enrollment. We will participate in 3 fundraisers to help off-set these fees as much as possible. If you choose not to participate in the fundraising efforts, you are agreeing to making these fees your financial obligation.

- Cheer practice requires the use of cheer mats and high ceilings and therefore we have to rent a large facility to accommodate these needs. (\$75 Per session or \$7.50 per week, September-November)
- Choreography fee (\$65.00 per girl)
- Competition Music fee (\$150 per team)
- Homecoming Costume fee (\$30)
- Breast Cancer awareness bow and socks for October. (\$15.00)
- State Championship Competition fee (\$135.00)
- State Championship party (\$5.00)