



## Welcome!

We are so glad that you are interested in the Youngsville Club Cheer experience! No matter what your cheer level may be, we have a place in our program for you. We are proud to offer the most dedicated, educated and passionate coaching staff in a 9,500 square foot facility! We strive to provide quality, safe instruction in a clean and welcoming environment. We are not your typical cheerleading gym, meaning, we offer more than your usual cheerleading facility and do everything it takes to work harder, be better and provide a more rewarding overall experience in every way we can!

We will have an open gym in April for athletes interested in working out with our teams before making any decisions and we will have an interest meeting and open gym in May for any athletes wanting to work out with our coaches and for parents to hear the plans for the new season. Tryouts this year will be held the second week of May on the 7th & 9th, from 6:00--7:30 pm. Participants will learn a chant and dance on Tuesday and will stunt on Thursday. They will also be showing off any jumps or tumbling skills they may have both nights. Participants must register and pay the tryout fee of \$45. We ask that participants wear a plain white, navy or black t-shirt or tank and a pair of navy or black shorts or skort. No baggy clothing please. Hair should be pulled back, off the face and secured neatly. Dress for success! We are always impressed by those that take pride in their appearance and will notice the effort. Example photos will be provided so you can see it visually. Any tennis shoes are fine. Anyone unable to attend our tryouts can schedule a private evaluation.

## Program Tier Comparisons

**Performance Team:** participants attend once a week team practices, purchase the practice wear and performance uniform package and attend all events scheduled for them..

Performance team practices and performs a cheer and dance in their routine which includes a band chant, sideline chant, and cheer. They may perform basic stunting, jumps and some tumbling as long as attendance at practice allows for these skill incorporations.. We try to schedule 5 appearances before the end of their season in March, depending on availability and location. Participants can elect to join this team in August each year or they may be placed on this team if they are evaluated for competitive teams and are not quite ready for the level required.

**Game Day Team:** participants attend once a week team practice, purchase the practice wear and Game Day uniform package and attend all events scheduled for them. Game Day team practices and performs a cheer and dance in their routine which includes a band chant, sideline chant, and cheer. They will compete more advanced stunting, jumps and tumbling and utilize props and skill incorporation for effective crowd leading. Participants on this team will be accepted through the summer til August and then the team roster will be closed unless in situations that warrant adding a new team member. Game Day team will not attend out of state nationals.

**Competition Teams:** participants are selected through an evaluation process and must meet the age and skill requirements. We look for 3 things: Age, Maturity, Skill Level. They need to check 2 of those 3 boxes to be added to a competition roster. They are listed in order of importance as well. So Age is a requirement, we cannot add athletes that are too old for the division. Maturity is required as these athletes will be challenged. They have to be up to the task of committing to being at every practice, willing to do whatever is needed of them to contribute to the team. Skill level is at the bottom of the list but it is not unimportant. These athletes need to show they are strong, capable and able to learn and grow in all aspects of jumps, tumbling and stunting. These are the most dedicated athletes in the gym. We do expect a higher level of work and maturity from them and their parents. The rosters for these teams will be closed in

August, after choreography, unless there is a need to fill a position or replace someone who has to leave the team. They must purchase the practice wear and competition uniform package, attend twice a week practices and compete with the team at 5-6 events throughout the competition season. The “comp” teams have a choreographed traditional, cheer routine that includes stunting, tumbling, crowd leading and dance. They will attend some local and some out of state regional championships and an out of state nationals.

## RECAP

**Open Gym:** Friday, April 19, 2024 6:00-7:00 pm FREE

**Interest Meeting and Open Gym:** Thursday, May 9th, 2024 6:00-7:00 pm FREE

**Competition Team Tryouts:** Tuesday & Thursday, May 7 & 9th, 6:00-8:00 pm \$45 (you can register online or over the phone).

**Fitting & Uniform Fee Due:** May 14th, 2024 (*uniform fees can be split*)

**First team Practice:** May 12th, 2024

**Performance Team Sign Ups:** Parent meeting and practice Wednesday, August 7th, 2024 (for anyone interested in cheer or not ready for competition team setting).