

PEACHTREE RIDGE YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

2007 General Cheerleading Information



PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY BEFORE
COMPLETING AND SIGNING REGISTRATION FORMS

TO ENSURE BALANCED SQUADS, REQUESTS FOR SQUAD
PLACEMENT OR CARPOOL WILL Not BE ACCEPTED

WELCOME

Welcome to the Peachtree Ridge Athletic Association (PRYAA) cheerleading program. The PRYAA program is governed by the Gwinnett Football League (GFL). Should you have questions or require additional information regarding the program, please call one of the following numbers. Please be courteous when calling or leaving a message.

Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation so that all squads and teams may enjoy working and having fun together.

Johna Porter
PRYAA Director of Cheerleading
678-473-7599

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PRYAA Assistant Director of Cheerleading
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REGISTRATION

Register your cheerleader for the grade level they will be in **this** fall (2007-2008 school year). An original birth certificate with a raised seal or a notarized letter from your school indicating birthday and grade level will be required. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Signing the PRYAA and GFL registration forms indicates that you agree, understand, and will abide by the rules and regulations of the GFL and PRYAA. This includes the GFL Code of Conduct, PRYAA Code of Conduct, and the rules, regulations and obligations in this packet.

Only parents or legal guardians showing proof of guardianship will be permitted to register their cheerleader. Any cheerleader registered with an illegal signature will be removed from the roster.

Please note that PRYAA has a no refund policy.

PAYMENTS

All fees may be paid with cash, money order, check or credit card.

The registration fee is \$165.00. The registration fee will include Administrative fees, Trophy, Banquet Facility, Practice Gear, Stunt Clinic, and Cheer-Off Registration.

A Fundraiser fee of \$50.00 is required from each participating cheerleader. The fundraiser consists of five (5) tickets for a drawing for a car and includes coupons to Chick-Fil-A. If you so choose, you can sell some or all of the tickets to recoup your fundraiser fee.

The total amount due at registration will be \$215.00.

In addition to the payments above, there will be additional costs related to uniforms, accessories, and cheer camp. You may pay for the uniform at the time of registration. If you do not pay at the time of registration, you **MUST** pay in full at the time of uniform fitting. See Uniform Fittings, Accessory Purchases, and Camp Registrations for more information.

REGULATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS

The use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products is strictly prohibited on any of Gwinnett County Parks and Recreation properties. Violation of this rule could result in parents or spectators being banned from county properties as well as your cheerleader being removed from their squad. In addition, Law Enforcement Authorities could become involved.

Our staff is comprised of very hardworking volunteers, and courtesy toward them is expected and appreciated. Parents are asked to display a respectful attitude of conduct toward all members of the cheerleading staff, cheerleaders and parents as specified in the PRYAA and GFL Codes of Conduct. They are asked to speak privately and tactfully should they have questions or concerns. Any unresolved matters may be brought to the attention of the Cheerleading Director, Assistant Director, or other Cheerleading board members.

Remember "It's all about the Kids" so, through-out participation in this program, we must behave responsibly in order to set a good example for them. Any display of unsportsmanlike conduct by parents or spectators will be addressed by the GFL representative at the field.

Parents are responsible for relaying the information in the PRYAA and GFL Codes of Conduct to their daughters.

The cheerleaders are to demonstrate exemplary behavior when they are in their PRYAA uniform. Remember, we are representatives of the Peachtree Ridge Cluster.

Each squad will be scheduled gate duty. As soon as it becomes available, detailed information regarding this obligation can be found in the cheerleading section on the PRYAA website (www.pyraa.com).

In the event a squad splits, it will occur before the first football game of the season. Once a squad is split, placement is final, and no changes will be made. Parents are not permitted to request their cheerleader's placement on a particular squad. Consideration may be given when placing twins or siblings on squads. Parents should make the Cheerleading Board aware of any twin or sibling situation prior to the draft on July 28th, 2007.

PRACTICE AND GAME OBLIGATIONS

Being on a cheerleading squad takes practice, the same as with other sports and all children will be expected to attend practices. Practices will be Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Times are based on grade level. This year we are working on indoor facilities at our cluster schools. As soon as arrangements have been made, we will post a practice schedule at www.pryaa.com. After the cheerleaders have learned their dance routine and half-time routines, practices may be changed to two per week.

Thursday practices are the most important because this is the day that the game day activities, lineup, and half-time routine are set. If your cheerleader misses Thursday practice, it will affect the game routine and may result in your cheerleader not performing at half time. In the event a Thursday practice is missed, the cheerleader should meet with another squad member to learn the routine and setup for the next game or may be asked to sit out during the routine, event, or cheer that they don't know.

It is important that your cheerleader be on time for practices and games. If your cheerleader must miss a practice or game, you are asked to call your Coach or Team Mom prior to the event.

No cheerleader will be asked to sit out an entire game due to parent's inability to ensure they are on time for practices and games. However, if the cheerleader is late to the game, they will be asked to sit out the time remaining in the current quarter and/or not

be allowed to participate in the half-time routine. It would be helpful if you would make arrangements to accommodate your cheerleader's schedule during the season.

Each mascot (regardless of grade cheering with) and 1st and 2nd grader must have a parent or other responsible adult stay with them during ALL cheerleading events, for example, practices, games, and the clinics. Should you work out car pooling arrangements, your Coach and Team mom will need a phone number where a parent can be reached in case of an emergency. Your Coach and Team Mom will also need to know the adult present and responsible for your child.

Parents of 3rd through 8th graders are not required to stay, but they must return 15 minutes before practice ends to pick up their cheerleader and receive important updates regarding upcoming events, schedules, or schedule changes. It is **very important** that you arrive **on time** for pick up; we are all mothers with family responsibilities and need to get home. **You must** come to the practice site to pick up your child. The child, regardless of age, will not be released to go find you.

Should you work out car pooling arrangements, your Coach and Team Mom will need phone numbers where a parent can be reached in case of an emergency.

In the event you are late in picking up your child without notification to the Coach or Team Mom, starting with the 2nd occurrence, you will be subject to a fine of \$25.00. The fine must be paid in cash. Failure to pay the fine will result in your child not being allowed to participate in the game on Saturday or any subsequent practice or games until the fine is paid.

If weather becomes inclement, parents should report to the practice location immediately to pick up their child.

CHEERLEADING GATE DUTY

Each Football Team and Cheerleading Squad is required to provide workers to work gate duty for each of their home game weekends. Your Team Mom will inform you of your date and time. Parents need to report 15 minutes prior to the start of your shift.

If you fail to show up for gate duty, you will be fined \$50.00. The fine must be paid in cash by the Thursday before the next Saturday game. Failure to pay the fine will result

in your child not being allowed to participate in the game on Saturday or any subsequent games until the fine is paid.

CHEERLEADING UNIFORMS AND ACCESSORIES

On the uniform fitting day (April 21, 2007, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.), measurements for the uniforms will be taken by a company representative. The representative will make adjustments for growth. Any alterations necessary because of measurement error will be the responsibility of the uniform company. However, should a child's size change significantly over the summer months, it will be the responsibility of the parent's to have the appropriate alterations completed. Practice gear, shoes and accessories will be ordered at the mandatory uniform fitting.

On the uniform fitting day, cheerleaders will be changing in a large room without private dressing areas. It is best if mothers attend, as dads will be asked to remain outside. Cheerleaders should wear a one piece bathing suit or leotard under their clothing so changing will not be a problem.

See Uniform Fittings, Accessory Purchases and Camp Registration for schedule and cost information.

CHEERLEADING CLINICS/CAMPS

The Peachtree Ridge High School Cheerleading Program will host a four-day camp at the Peachtree Ridge High School football field and track on August 6th - August 9th. It is open to any child who is registered in the PRYAA Cheerleading Program and is considered mandatory.

The camp will be held from 6:30 - 8:30 pm each night. On the final night at 7:30 pm, there will be a short program for families and friends. The cheerleaders will exhibit what they learned at camp.

For insurance purposes and to ensure a safe and successful clinic, the following guidelines and information must be observed:

- © Parents of mascots and 1st and 2nd graders are to bring their cheerleaders to the field at 6:15 p.m. The mascots and 1st and 2nd graders are NOT to be left

unsupervised. Either the parent or a person responsible must remain at the stadium for the duration of camp each night. Should car pooling be arranged, your Coach and Team Mom will need a phone number where a parent can be reached in the case of an emergency.

- ⊙ Parents of 3rd - 8th graders may drop off and pick up their cheerleader at the lower parking lot gate. Pick up time is 8:20 - BE PROMPT. Please do not ask for your child to be picked up at any other location. Should car pooling be arranged, your Coach and Team Mom will need a phone number where a parent can be reached in the case of an emergency.
- ⊙ Anyone wishing to stay may do so, but they must sit in the stadium bleachers.
- ⊙ No one other than the cheerleading staff and cheerleaders is allowed on the track or field.
- ⊙ Per GFL rules, cheerleaders may NOT wear jewelry. This rule prohibits band-aids over newly pierced ears.
- ⊙ Hair must be neatly pulled back from the face.
- ⊙ Cheerleaders will not be allowed on the field without camp fees being paid. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- ⊙ Due to the extreme heat in August, it is suggested that cheerleaders have only a light snack prior to clinic.
- ⊙ Each cheerleader is to bring a water bottle containing WATER ONLY (to avoid bees). No sports drinks, sodas or other sugared drinks.
- ⊙ Insect repellent is strongly suggested.
- ⊙ Bathroom facilities are limited.

Cheer and Dance Atlanta will conduct a stunt and safety clinic. All age groups will attend and will be taught stunt and safety issues. The date for this clinic is August 4th at Cheer and Dance Atlanta, Times for age groups TBA, 2960 Albion Farm Road, Duluth, GA 30097, 770-418-9550.

PRYAA has always made an effort to set the standards for stunting safety, and has for a number of years provided a stunt and safety clinic. Additionally, GFL expects ALL Gwinnett Park Associations to provide professional assistance and training related to stunting formations.

The stunt and safety clinic will provide training on how to mount, dismount, execute, and safely perform the stunts permitted under GFL guidelines. Cheerleaders will be trained in base, fly and spotter positions, each position being equally important.

UNIFORM FITTINGS, ACCESSORY PURCHASES AND CLINIC/CAMP REGISTRATIONS

Mandatory Uniform fitting will be held on April 21st, 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Hull Middle School.

Cheerleaders will order uniforms, accessories, and register for camp. You will need cash, check or credit card to complete the clothing order process. PLEASE NOTE, there are no refunds after the uniform fitting. The clothing and financial responsibility are yours.

Clothing Accessories, Uniform and Clinic/Camp costs

Shell top with 3 color Tackle Twill And Lion Head Logo on Back	\$65.00	
Skirt	\$40.00	
Custom Body Liner	\$35.00	
Briefs	\$ 6.00	
Shoes (Youth/Adult)	\$34.00	
Custom Warm-up Pants	\$30.00	
Poms 2 color Vinyl/One Metallic Kap Handle	\$20.00	
Ribbon	\$ 6.00	
Sales Tax (6%)	\$14.16	
Optional Custom Warm-up Jacket	\$45.00	
Camp Tee w/1 Color Screen Print Design	\$ 8.00	Included in Registration
Custom Royal Blue Skort	\$14.00	Included in Registration
Mandatory Stunt Clinic		
Cheer and Dance Atlanta	\$25.00	Included in Registration
Cheer Camp		
Peachtree Ridge High School	\$25.00	
Cheer-off Registration	\$10.00	Included in Registration

PEACHTREE RIDGE YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
CHEERLEADING PARENT REQUIREMENT

I have read and understand the information contained in the 2007 Registration Information package. By signing this form, I understand and agree to the following:

- To follow the rules of the Peachtree Ridge Youth Athletic Association, including the Code of Conduct and the Regulations and Obligations contained in the Registration Information.
- To follow the rules of the Gwinnett Football League, the governing body of all Gwinnett County Youth Football and Cheerleading Associations, including the Code of Conduct.
- If I choose not to follow said rules, I will be subject to explanation to the PRYAA Board of Directors and consequences of said actions/decisions.
- I will pay all monies owed to PRYAA.
- I will ensure that my child understands the rules of the park and PRYAA as well.
- It is my responsibility to ensure my child is on time for practices and scheduled events.

I fully understand there are safety risks involved in stunting and tumbling. I agree NOT to hold any member of the PRYAA Board of Directors or Cheerleading Staff (including Coaches and Team Mothers), Gwinnett Football League (GFL), Peachtree Ridge High School Coaches, Peachtree Ridge High School, or Cheer and Dance Atlanta staff responsible for any accidents or injuries involving my cheerleader that may occur.

Cheerleader Name _____
Print First and Last name

Grade Fall 2007 _____

D.O.B. _____

Print Parent or Legal Guardian Name

Signature Parent or Legal Guardian

Date