

The background features a large, semi-transparent watermark of the Texas Wolverine All-Stars logo. The logo is circular with a grey border and a yellow center. It contains a five-pointed star in the center, with the words "TEXAS WOLVERINE ALL-STARS" written around the perimeter in a stylized font. The text "2023-2024" is at the top, "PARENT & ATHLETE" is in the middle, "HANDBOOK/" is below that, and "CONTRACT" is at the bottom of the main text block.

# 2023-2024 PARENT & ATHLETE HANDBOOK/ CONTRACT

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# GYM

# CLOSURES

- Mother's Day: May 14<sup>th</sup>
- Memorial Day Weekend: May 27<sup>th</sup> - May 29<sup>TH</sup>
  - Father's Day: June 18<sup>th</sup>
  - Independence Day July 4<sup>th</sup>
- Labor Day Weekend: September 2<sup>nd</sup> – September 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Halloween October 31<sup>st</sup>
  - Thanksgiving November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>
  - Christmas December 23<sup>rd</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>
- New Year's December 30<sup>th</sup>-January 2<sup>nd</sup>

# 2023-2024 Payments:

- ★ *Monthly tuition from May 15, 2023–April 15, 2024: \$175.00 per month*
- ★ *Annual Registration \$50.00*
- ★ *PRACTICE WEAR: Due June 30<sup>th</sup>*
  - *NEW ATHLETES:*
    - *\$150.00 for black & gold set (sports bra, tank, & shorts)*
    - *\$150.00 for navy & gold set (sports bra, tank, & shorts)*
    - *\$15.00 per bow (3)*
  - *TWA Rhinestone top w/shorts \$65.00–\$75.00 for the set*
    - *Boys tank only \$20.00*
  - *RETURNING ATHLETES:*
    - *\$45.00 per piece for black or navy set (Sports bra, tank, & shorts ONLY)*
    - *\$45.00 Boys tank ONLY black or navy*
    - *\$15.00 per bow (3)*
  - *TWA Rhinestone top w/shorts \$65.00–\$75.00 for the set*
    - *Boys tank only \$20.00*
- ★ *CHOREOGRAPHY:*
  - *ELITE TEAMS: \$375.00 due on the first day of your choreography practice.*
  - *PREP TEAMS: \$350.00 due on the first day of your choreography practice.*
- ★ *COMPETITION UNIFORMS:*
  - *Mini Blades, Novice, and Prep teams: \$375.00 w/competition bow due August 1<sup>st</sup>.*
  - *Returning athletes must purchase new bow for \$25.00 due August 1<sup>st</sup>*
  - *ELITE TEAMS:*
    - *GIRLS \$550.00–\$575.00 due August 1<sup>st</sup>.*
    - *BOYS TBA*
- ★ *USASF: ELITE TEAMS ONLY*
  - *\$49.00 due September 1<sup>st</sup>.*
  - *Usasf.net*
- ★ *SHOES & BACKPACK*
  - *TBA*
- ★ *COMPETITION SHIRTS:*
  - *\$45.00 due September 1<sup>st</sup>*
- ★ *COMPETITION FEES:*
  - *Each competition fee will be due at least 1–2 months prior to the competition. Any fees paid after the due date will receive a late fee of \$25.00.*
  - *Fees range from \$65.00–\$275.00 and will be posted on your Band app.*
- ★ *TRAVEL:*
  - *All competitions that require travel are STAY SMART HOUSING required events, a link will be sent out with a list of approved hotels. NO EXCEPTIONS.*

# POLICIES, PROCEDURES, & RULES

## DISMISSAL DEPOSIT:

A MANDATORY non-refundable \$500 deposit (per Athlete) must be made prior to our first competition in October. This fee is kept throughout the 2023-24 season and will ONLY apply towards end of season competitions and fees. Should an athlete(s) leave or be dismissed before any end of season competitions the dismissal deposit will be FORFEITED. This includes ending contract early, quitting for any reason, & issues with athletes and/or parents.

## PAYMENT POLICIES:

- A credit card is required to be kept on file for all athletes.
- Tuition is due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month and will automatically be drafted from the credit/debit card on file.
- If a card declines, there will be a \$35.00 fee added.
- Uniforms, practice wear, deposits, competition fees, choreography etc. can be paid with a credit card not on file, cash, Apple pay, Google pay, or Zelle, if a payment is NOT made by the due date, the card on file will automatically be charged.

## REFUND POLICY:

Under no circumstances will there be any form of refund given regardless of the reason. TWA has no obligation to refund any previously purchased merchandise, travel expenses or fees.

## QUITTING/DISMISSAL POLICY:

Competitive cheerleading is a year-round sport. Any break in the training regimen will affect the strength, skill level, and confidence of both your individual athlete and the entire team. If at any point of the season your athlete quits or is dismissed from a team, you are in breach of your contract/commitment. You will forfeit all monies previously paid to the Texas Wolverine All-Stars for both tuition and any other TWA fees, along with the \$500.00 deposit made. If an athlete decides to quit, they will not be allowed to participate in any other classes provided at the Texas Wolverine All Stars gym. This includes all private lessons, TWA tumbling, group tumbling, flying class, jump class, cheer class or open gym. Quitting the team in the middle of the season as a personal source of punishment is NOT acceptable.

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## **ATTENDANCE POLICIES:**

*Our success relies on athletes and parents adhering to our policies. Absences will be reviewed on an individual basis. Anything beyond 3 unexcused absences is highly unacceptable.*

- a. Excessive absences may be grounds for:
  - i. Change or replacement in competition routine*
  - ii. Withholding items or services*
  - iii. Dismissal from the program**
- b. Absences should be communicated via text message to the gym cellphone and NOT on Band App.*

## **EXCUSED ABSENCES:**

*Include but not limited to:*

- a. Death in the family*
- b. School related function that reflects a grade, coaches and front staff must know at minimum 2 weeks prior to any function to plan accordingly.*
- c. Jobs:
  - i. Handled on an individual basis**
- d. A contagious illness with doctor's note*

## **UNEXCUSED ABSENCES:**

*Include but not limited to:*

- a. Illness, without a doctor's note*
- b. Traffic or long-distance driving.
  - i. Traffic in our area is always a problem, please plan accordingly.**

*Absences are NOT permitted the week prior to a competition. Any athlete missing may be asked to find a replacement for practice.*

## **COMMUNICATION:**

- 1. We will be sending messages via text and Band app to keep the lines of communication open with all parents and athletes. Please make sure all your contact information is always current.
  - a. Weekly: practice schedules and attire.*
  - b. Monthly: due dates, calendars, newsletters, and invoices.**
- 2. Band app notifications MUST be on for any changes and/or reminders.
  - a. Band app, group chats or message boards are used for TWA information ONLY.*
  - b. Any concerns or questions should be addressed to the front desk PRIVATELY!*
  - c. Negative comments will be deleted, and parent(s) will be removed from the Band app and/or program.**

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## **SOCIAL NETWORKS:**

1. *No athlete or parent may post inappropriate/negative messages on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Snapchat or any other social media platform, website and/or message board about TWA, another program or individual. Any posting of this nature will result in immediate dismissal from the program.*
2. *No TWA team videos and/or music are allowed to be posted on YouTube or any other website without permission. Including live videos. Violation of this rule or the theft of music is grounds for immediate dismissal.*
3. *New skill videos should only be posted of athletes with the gym's approval.*

## **FUNDRAISERS:**

1. *Most fundraisers are OPTIONAL; however, we will have 1 to 2 raffles that will be mandatory for all athletes to participate in.*
2. *Personal fundraisers: plate sales, water sales, & raffles are allowed but the Texas Wolverine Allstar name cannot be used on tickets or flyers.*
3. *Personal fundraisers cannot be posted on Band app.*
4. *Any fundraisers done through the gym will be paid in CASH ONLY.*

## **ATHLETE DROP OFF/PICK UP:**

1. *Athletes can be dropped off 5–10 minutes before class time. Athletes are NOT allowed to use equipment until their class has started. They will only be allowed to stretch in designated areas.*
2. *Early drop off or late pick up will result in a \$10.00 fee. If any athlete is dropped off or picked up over 30 minutes you will be charged an additional \$50.00.*
3. *Fly class and jump class are incorporated with your tuition.*
  - a. *Fly class Monday 5:30 pm and Wednesday 6:00 pm*
  - b. *Jump class Tuesday 5:30 pm and Thursday 6:00 pm*

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## **TEAM PRACTICE RULES**

*All practices are CLOSED! This includes parents who work out at the Fitcamp, Zumba, or boxing class and when practices run long (this will happen on occasion). If you have a child in a team practice and a sibling in tumbling or boxing, you are not allowed to be in the practice area. No exceptions. It is counterproductive to run an effective practice. Athlete(s) focus and attention needs to be on practice and looking for parent approval.*

1. No jewelry which includes earrings, belly button rings, & necklaces. This is to prevent any injuries to all athletes, especially during stunting and tumbling.
2. All cell phones should be turned in before practice into your team's phone box.
3. No gum at practices or competitions.
4. Tattoos must always be covered.
5. No excessively long fingernails or sculptured nails.
6. No videotaping of practices
7. NO PETS ALLOWED
8. Practice wear must be worn on correct days.
  - Conditioning is given for being out of practice wear.

## **COMPETITIONS:**

1. All competitions are MANDATORY and subject to change, not all teams will attend the same competitions. Each athlete is required to attend all competitions including end of the season out of town competitions. NO EXCEPTIONS!!
2. Competition fees vary according to team, level, and competition company and must be paid in advance and promptly upon the due date.
3. When athletes arrive to the competition venue, they must be in full uniform:
  - a. Athletes must BE ON TIME, with full uniform on, designated Cheer Shoes/no show socks, hair and makeup done upon arrival, along with their competition shirt over uniform at all times.
  - b. Designated colored backpacks only.
4. Athletes must remain in full uniform with competition shirt over uniform throughout the duration of the competition (Different shoes, boots, crocs, or different colored hoodies warm-ups, are NOT allowed.)
5. Once athletes have checked in with their team coach, no parents are allowed in warm up areas.
6. We strongly encourage our parent(s)/spectators to have their phones down and hands up to enjoy a visual performance of their athlete.
7. We will post all information on your team Band app, including report time and award times.
8. No cellphones are allowed when athletes return for awards.
9. Athletes are required to attend award ceremonies and may NOT leave early.
10. Team pictures will be taken after awards and then athletes will be dismissed.

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## **TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS:**

*Athletes and parents will be responsible for all their own travel, this includes end-of-season events. All athletes are to arrive at the designated destination or hotel the day before competition before 6pm in the event a practice is called prior to competition.*

## **INJURIES:**

*If an athlete is injured at home or during other extracurricular activities, we ask that you notify us as soon as possible and follow up with doctors note. We will make changes with choreography prior to practice. Once the individual has fully recovered, he or she may or may not be worked back in the routine. The coaches have complete discretion in replacing the athlete for the rest of the season if they feel it is best for the team. All injured athletes must continue to pay their monthly tuition, competition fees, and attend as many practices as possible.*

## **REPRESENTATION POLICY:**

*We always encourage and expect good sportsmanship and representation. We build on confidence, commitment, loyalty, and respect. Not only respecting yourself but also respecting the TWA name. The Texas Wolverine All-Stars will not tolerate pettiness, gossiping or cliques that attempt to slander the "TWA" name, other athletes, or other TWA parents. Keep in mind that you are wearing a TWA uniform, shirts, etc. Any parent or athlete displaying improper behavior will be dismissed from the program immediately and will not be allowed to return. Athletes and parents must always remember to be modest in success and gracious in defeat. Please be mindful of your surroundings and actions at all times.*

## **WOLVERINE LOGO GUIDELINES:**

*The Texas Wolverine All-Stars logo, name and team names are NOT to be reprinted on any apparel or other items for distribution or sale. If a parent or sponsor wishes to put our logo on an item, it MUST be approved. Bows, shirts, shorts, bags, blankets etc., with the gym logo or names not purchased through our vendors are NOT permitted. Anyone who attempts to independently sell or give away items with Wolverine Logo will be in violation of our policy.*

## **SPIRIT GIFTS:**

*Spirit bags for ELITE TEAMS will only be made for the 1<sup>st</sup> competition, NCA, and end of season competitions. Prep, novice, and show teams will have 3 competitions for spirit bags; competition dates will be given at a later time. Every spirit gift/bag must be approved by the gym. We will have a mandatory gym gift that will be the same items for all teams for 2 of our major competitions. (NCA, Youth Summit, D2 Summit, and The Open Championships). We will also allow parent gifts that are approved through the gym. More information on this will be posted in the Band app at a later date.*

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# 2023-2024 HANDBOOK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AGREEMENT

## **Athlete's Agreement**

*As an athlete of the Texas Wolverine All-Stars, I am expected to follow the rules of the program and remain in good standing with my fellow teammates, coaches, and staff. I have read and understand all the terms in the code of conduct and agree to abide by them.*

*I have received and read the Texas Wolverine All-Stars Handbook. I fully understand this document is a contract between the Texas Wolverine All-Stars and myself.*

*Athlete's Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

*Athlete's Name Printed* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

## **Parent's Agreement**

*I recognize that parents are the most significant role models for their children and that athletics help achieve a sense of teamwork, self-worth, and sportsmanship. I will encourage my child to abide by the rules and respect the rights of others. I understand that it is important to enforce the rules of the Texas Wolverine All-Stars, respect the sport of cheerleading & not criticize the judges' decisions during or after a competition. I understand that I must remain in good standing financially and I understand that the Texas Wolverine All-Stars have a strict NO REFUNDS policy. I have read and understand all the terms in the code of conduct and agree to abide by them.*

*I have received and read the Texas Wolverine All-Stars Handbook. I fully understand this document is a contract between the Texas Wolverine All-Stars and myself.*

*Parent Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

*Parent Name Printed* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_