# Springboro Pee Wee Cheer 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Information

Welcome to the 2024 cheerleading season! Springboro Pee Wee Cheerleading is rich in tradition, community spirit and athleticism, and we look forward to having you and your cheerleader help us to continue those traits. We hope that the information below will help you decide if SPC is a good fit for you and your family. We are thrilled to be able to get to know our newest SPC family members and to begin a fun and exciting season!

#### **General Information**

Springboro Pee Wee Cheerleaders participate in various community events. We are honored to be a participant each year in the Christmas in Springboro Parade and plan to march again this year. Football cheerleaders will participate in "Pee Wee Night" at a high school varsity football game in which they will cheer along with the high school cheerleaders during the game. We are also frequently invited to be part of other community events and will consider such invitations on a case-by-case basis. Attendance at any event that the coach or SPC Board decides to participate in will be considered mandatory.

#### **Registration**

All registrations will be done electronically through a Google Form link on the Springboro Pee Wee Cheer website. Registration will be held March 5-April 5, 2024.

### <u>Tryouts</u>

**Tryout Clinics:** Tuesday, April 9 and Thursday, April 11 6:30pm-8:30pm at Dennis Elementary Gym **Tryouts:** Saturday, April 13 TBA at Cheer Facility

\*Springboro High School Cheerleaders will hold a "mock tryout" on Friday, April 12 as a fundraiser. Attendance is OPTIONAL. It can be a great time to get additional practice before tryouts! Times and location will be shared at the clinics.

#### Rules

SPC rules are posted on the SPC website. Cheerleaders and parents are required to review these rules prior to registering. All cheerleaders are expected to follow the rules and guidelines set forth by SPC.

#### **Practices**

Practices will be held twice a week at our cheer facility which is located at **1100 W. St. Rt. 122**, **Lebanon, OH, 45036**. Additional practices may be added if the coaches or director feel they are needed. This most often will happen on the weeks that we are attending a competition.

Practices will begin the week of July 8. We are tentatively looking at the following schedule. PLEASE KNOW THAT THESE DAYS AND TIMES COULD CHANGE ONCE SQUADS ARE SET:

**4th Grade** Monday/Wednesday - 6:30pm-8:30pm

**5th Grade** Monday/Wednesday- 4:30pm-6:30pm

**6th Grade** Tuesday/Thursday - 4:30pm-6:30pm

**5th/6th Grade Competition** (IF 5/6 combines for competition squad and once competition practices start after choreography camp.) Monday/Thursday- 4:30pm-6:30pm

#### **Squad Descriptions**

We will be offering football sideline squads and competitive squads for the upcoming season. Squad preferences are granted by tryout scores. Please keep in mind that if a child wishes to cheer on a competition squad, she must first be placed on a sideline squad. We do not know whether we will have to make cuts to the squads. This will depend on the number of cheerleaders that try-out and the scores. Any child that quits a Springboro Pee Wee Cheer (SPC) squad will not be permitted to try out again for pee wee cheer.

*Football Sideline* - Football sideline squads will cheer for the Wee Panthers Football teams, both home and away games. Practices will begin the week of July 8 and will continue until early August. The teams will practice twice a week. Premier weekend for football is the weekend of August 3-4, 2024 Games will continue until the end of season tournaments are complete (end of October, beginning of November). Games will be on Saturdays and Sundays, and cheerleaders cheer at both home and away games. Cheerleaders will cheer in the extreme heat, rain or snow. If the football teams are on the field, the cheerleaders will be on the sidelines.

*Competition* – Usually, competition squads will compete in regionally based competitions. The number of competitions will depend on the grade level. These squads will be "non-building." The season will begin in July and ends in November or December depending on grade level. Practices will be twice a week, but at times, it may be necessary to add extra practices. This will be at the discretion of the head coach and the director. The cheerleaders will also be cheering for the football teams on the weekends.

#### Sideline Cheer Camp

All cheerleaders will attend a two-day sideline cheer camp where the cheerleaders will learn basic skills, team building, jumps, chants, cheers and a half-time dance. Camp will be taught by the Springboro High School cheerleaders. This is scheduled for **July 11 and July 12**.

#### **Choreography Camp**

Those girls that are on a competition squad will also attend a choreography camp. Choreography camp is scheduled for **THREE days during the last two weeks of July.** The camp will be at the cheer facility. TENTATIVELY, we are planning on these dates:

#### 4th Grade- July 29-31 10:00am-3:00pm

5th/6th Grade- July 22-24 10:00am-3:00pm

\*If 5/6 does NOT combine for competition, we will select additional choreography camp dates. PLEASE NOTE: THESE DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE ONCE SQUADS ARE SET.

#### <u>Pictures</u>

Pictures will be the week of **July 22nd at Springboro Community Park (behind UDF)**. Each squad's actual date and time will be determined later. If the dates are rained out, pictures will be the next week.

#### <u>Fundraisers</u>

Cheerleaders may be required to participate in fundraising opportunities throughout the season.

#### Spirit Wear

Spirit wear will be purchased through 937 Ink. This includes practice wear (tank top and shorts), sweatshirt, raincoats, cheer bags, briefs, etc. Coaches will provide more information regarding spirit wear once squads are formed.

All  $4^{th}-6^{th}$  cheerleaders will be required to have a warm-up jacket. SPC will provide that jacket to all NEW  $4^{th}-6^{th}$  grade cheerleaders. Those girls that are returning cheerleaders may use a jacket from a prior season if it still fits. If a new or replacement jacket is needed, the cost of the jacket will be the responsibility of the parents.

Shoe fitting nights will be scheduled the week of **May 13, 2024**. Coaches will be in touch with the actual date and time. Cheerleaders will also be required to purchase poins at the shoe fitting.

# PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY DATES LISTED ABOVE COULD CHANGE.

## <u>Fees</u>

Registration is \$50.00 per cheerleader. This is the ONLY fee required to be paid when you register.

Program Fee is \$100 per cheerleader. This fee covers costs associated with paying rent on our cheer facility, insurance costs, music, administrative items, first aid supplies, facility supplies and the end of season banquet/squad party.

Uniform Fee is \$50 per cheerleader. This fee covers the purchase of new uniforms on a yearly rotating basis for each squad. This fee will allow SPC to purchase new uniforms for each squad every five years.

Fees can be paid online through Venmo (@SpringboroPeeWeeCheer-SPC). Please make sure that you put your cheerleader's name, grade and reason for payment (i.e., registration payment, installment fees, etc.

The fees listed below are provided only to give everyone an **ESTIMATE** of what fees could look like for the season. This includes season fees, clothing, camp fees, etc. Actual fees will be determined after we know how many cheerleaders are participating.

4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grades – Sideline Cheer Only	\$350-\$400
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Sideline and Competition	\$550-\$600
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grades – Sideline and Competition	\$550-\$600

Competitive cheerleaders will be required to pay entry fees for competitions. These amounts will vary, so they will not be included in the payment plan.

Please feel free to contact Tisha Alspaugh at <u>Jtkfam3@yahoo.com</u> with any questions.