

Wanaque Ringwood Competition Cheerleading Information Packet 2026-2027

Mandatory Evaluations @ Wanaque Rec Center

Friday June 5, 2026

5:00pm-8:00pm

MUST SIGN UP TO ATTEND

Cost to join: \$160

Mandatory fundraising will begin following team evaluations to cover the following

- **Choreography**
- **Music**
- **Uniforms**
- **Nationals expenses**

Who?

- This program will be offered to Wanaque, Haskell, and Ringwood residents with children in grades 1-8 as of September.
- We are also able to sign up children from surrounding towns (West Milford, Pompton Lakes, Peqonnock, etc) as long as there is not a similar program offered in that town, as we will not 'poach' children from another **recreation department**. (*This does not include all-star or tuition paying gyms*)

What?

- This is a competitive cheerleading program for children to learn advanced cheerleading skills such as stunting, tumbling, jumping, and dance and compete against other teams throughout the season.
- While we will be holding evaluations rather than a traditional tryout as a way to assess the abilities of our athletes. **Everyone who signs up WILL be on a team**. Depending on the ages and abilities we have, we will group

teams together in a way that will maximize our opportunity for success and winning in competitions.

- There will be ON MAT teams as well as INSTRUCTIONAL teams. Our ON MAT teams will be competing and our INSTRUCTIONAL teams will be a practice only team with performance opportunities (parent performances, or local exhibition if available)
- Instructional athletes can be moved to ON MAT throughout the season
- ON MAT team members will have an attendance policy and sportsmanship policy that is created to ensure proper commitment and behavior needed for the success of the team.

When?

- Evaluations will be held on Friday June 5th. They will be assessed in dance, tumble, and stunting.
- The season will begin with regular practices and choreography in October
- Competitions will begin end of **January**
- Season will end early **March**

Where?

- We will practice Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights in the Ryerson cafeteria. We will compete either Saturdays OR Sundays.
- We are looking to compete **at least 4 times**. 3 local and 1 overnight

How?

- Parent Volunteers are ESSENTIAL in the success and continuation of this program. Without you- this program will not be possible. Parent meeting date will be determined at a later date.
- **If you are interested in volunteering please contact Tori Gavin (torigavin21@gmail.com) or Kaleigh Cella (kaleighcella@gmail.com)**
- We will need a board of parent volunteers for the following roles
 - Secretary
 - communicate information to parents, sign up for competitions, keep track of safety forms and waivers needed to attend competitions)
 - Treasurer

- Keep track of funds raised through fundraising. Communicate with board about financial status, and monies needed
- Fundraising Chair
 - Organize fundraisers with parents and board