2024 Winter Cheerleading Common Q & A



Games

League games will begin the week of December 9-February 8. The winter cheer squads will be scheduled to cheer for our 3rd -6th grade youth basketball games. The Director will schedule games on Saturdays between 9am and 4pm and weeknights M-TH between 5:30pm-8:00pm at Bethel Schools. Cheer squads will be scheduled to cheer for 6 games. Game schedules will be available on our website at bethelrec.org by **Wednesday, November 27** and will be updated regularly.

*If a coach has a specific team (3rd-6th) that they would like to cheer for or if you have any conflicts with any specific dates/days/times for games, you need to email jmoxley@bethelrec.org by Wednesday, November 6. Every effort will be made to accommodate coaching requests but is not guaranteed. Once game schedules are complete, games will not be rescheduled.

Pre-Season Official Training Games

Our pre-season basketball official training games will be held **Saturday, December 7 and possibly December 4 & 5.** These games are intended to give our cheer squads and football teams some needed game situation practice and to train our officials. Please inform your parents that this is also our official training and is meant to be a fun learning experience for everyone. You will be contacted/emailed after the coaches meeting by the director to schedule your squad for the jamboree. **This is optional and not all squads will be scheduled for the jamboree.** Practice game schedules will be posted and emailed to coaches by Monday, November 25.

Uniforms

Bethel Rec provides team t-shirts that are to be the outermost garment during games. Shirts & Bows will be available for pick-up at the Lineup by **WEDNESDAY**, **DECEMBER 4**. If players were added to your roster late, their shirts may be ready at a later date. One head coach shirt is given per team. If you have an assistant coach that wants a coach shirt and they want to pay an additional fee of \$5, you must inform your program coordinator of their shirt size by **Thursday**, **NOV 15**. **COORDINATORS ORDER YOUR ASSISTANT COACH SHIRTS FOR YOU!**

Teams can add names to the back of their uniforms at a minimal cost (around \$5 plus tax per shirt) only if all parents agree and there is financial assistance offered for those that cannot afford the additional fee. This is optional and may delay getting shirts back by DEC 5 if ordered late. NAME ORDER DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20.

Coaches will coordinate names on shirts with the shirt company. Names need to correspond with the shirt sizes that were listed on your ROSTERS! These are the sizes that the parents ordered when they enrolled their child!

Shirt names need to be given/emailed to the Line Up: Phone: (253) 536-8221 Email: thelineupr@comcast.net

LOCATION- 115 176th Street South Suite D Spanaway, WA 98387

Additional assistant coach shirt fee (\$5) and the cost for shirt names must be paid when you pick up your shirts!

Practices

Practices begin the week of November 12. Coaches must contact parents by TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5 with practice information. Practices will be held at your home school unless your home school does not have enough girls to complete a squad or your school does not have appropriate facilities to practice. Your Program Coordinator will place you at another local school. The head coach and the availability of facilities given by the schools determine time and days. All practices must be scheduled through your program coordinator only. Coaches cannot contact the schools directly to schedule/reschedule practices. It is not guaranteed that practices can always be rescheduled due to availability of space and times once games have began. Bethel Rec. will only allow each squad to practice twice a week. When parents register their children they are committed to attending only two practices a week. Once games begin coaches have the option of having 1-2 practices per week.

Equipment Needed

We ask that all children have proper tennis shoes with non-marking soles. **No jewelry (INCLUDES EARRINGS) or hard hair clips will be allowed.** Each participant will be given a set of poms, a t-shirt and bow from Bethel Rec. Cheer squads are encouraged to be creative and can make their own signs etc. to use while cheering.

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Can't Make the Game

We ask that all coaches find an assistant coach/parent within the first week of practice who can be background checked. In the event a coach is unable to make a game, the assistant can fill in. Games will only be rescheduled due to related weather closures, school closures or unpredicted events.

Games Canceled or Rescheduled

Games will only be rescheduled due to related weather closures, school closures or unpredicted events. For updated game/practice status check on our website at bethelrec.org. We will also attempt to send out emails to parents and coaches if games are canceled. THE RULE IS: If Bethel Schools are closed for any reason, or released early due to inclement weather, all Bethel Rec. activities are canceled.

Adding Girls to my Roster

The only person that is able to add a child to a roster is your Program Coordinator and the Bethel Rec. Director. To be added to a roster, the child **must** be added to the wait list that is on a first come first served basis. Before any child can practice with the team Bethel Rec. must have their full registration form and payment received.

Refunds Available

Yes. If practices or games don't work, parents may request a refund. They may go to our website at bethelrec.org and complete the on-line refund form. Cheer will receive partial refunds and a \$10 administrative fee will be deducted for all refunds. The form must be completed by 3:00PM December 8. After this date, no refunds will be issued.

Team Photos

Bethel Rec. will schedule the dates and facilities for all team pictures. Coaches will need to go to the on-line link after game schedules are posted to schedule their team pictures around their game times, preferably at least an hour before games, leaving parents enough time to travel to their games.

Bethel Recreation has contracted with Class Act Portraits. Coaches will only be able to schedule pictures with this company on the dates listed below. <u>Teams are not obligated to take team pictures!</u>

> Team Picture Dates: **SATURDAYS, JANUARY 11 & 18**

LOCATION: TBD

(An Online sign-up link will be emailed to coaches after game schedules are posted)

Class Act Portraits Contact Information:

Phone: 253-569-1162 Email: info@classactportraits.com Website: www.classactportraits.com

THANK YOU FOR COACHING!

Questions: Contact Jolie Moxley

253-800-4301 or <u>imoxley@bethelrec.org</u>