# The Niagara Erie Youth Sports Association and Niagara Cheer Productions present...

The 13th Annual Fall Fest Cheerleading Competition 2023

We are very excited to invite you to participate in this year's event being held October 22nd, 2023, at Niagara County Community College on Saunders Settlement Rd., Sanborn, NY

This event is open to all youth/recreation teams. www.niagaracheerproductions.weebly.com

# **Rules and Guidelines**

- Youth/Recreation Teams will follow the NFHS USA Cheer safety rules. We do not have additional house rules for youth/recreation leagues. This means all youth/recreation teams follow the same rules as the high school cheerleaders. We will not be judging basket tosses for the youth division, if your organization allows them and you choose to do a toss it will not add to your score, but unsafe tosses can result in a deduction.
- Score sheets are posted on the website listed above.
- Divisions will be broken down by size and age group see the "Rec Division Outline/Rules" information on the website listed above. Divisions will be noted when the final schedule is emailed to all teams.

### **Requirements**

- Every participant must have a waiver signed by parent/guardian and turned in on the day of the event.
- Music needs to be sent to the DJ via email ahead of time. Please email your music to bobchasesbu@gmail.com A backup of the music needs to be brought on the day of the competition. It can be on a phone if it is used on airplane mode. Music on CD will not be used.
- Youth recreational teams' routine time cannot exceed 2 minutes 30 seconds. Teams are required to have a team jump and team cheer. See score sheets for details.

#### **Cost**

- \$250 per cheer squad (special pricing for teams with less than 12 girls).
- 2 coaches per team (no cost).
- Each additional coach is \$5 and must be paid with registration. Coaches not paid with registration must enter and pay as spectators.
- Spectator fee: The cost is \$7 per person.
- 75% refunds are available up to October 6th after that date no refunds will be given.

#### **Awards**

- Awards will be announced at the end of each program.
- All teams will receive a trophy
- A Grand Champion will be awarded (this will be broken down depending on the number of teams).

### **Registration**

- **To register your team** simply click on the registration link on our website.
- Rosters are required for each team. There is a roster template located on our website. Please fill it out and email it to: NIAGARACHEERPRODUCTIONS@GMAIL.COM
- Please make sure you include your organization and team name in the email.
- Photos of registration information and rosters will not be accepted.

# **Payment Information**

Payment can be mailed to:

Niagara Cheer Productions 908 Niagara Falls Blvd Suite 104 North Tonawanda, NY 14120

- Checks or money orders can be made payable to Niagara Cheer Productions. Cash payments will not be accepted.
- Registration information and payment is due NO LATER than October 1st, 2023. A \$25 late fee will apply to any team registering after the due date.
- Each team will be notified by email only (by the Tuesday prior to the event) of their approximate practice and performance times.
- Up-to-date information will be provided, as necessary, via email.
- Participant waiver forms are to be turned in on the day of the event upon arrival at team check in.
   No forms no competition.

#### Sales

Concessions, apparel and various vendors will be on site. No outside food permitted.

## **General Competition Information**

- Up to date competition information can be found at: **www.niagaracheerproductions.weebly.com**
- We recommend you arrive at your scheduled arrival time to allow enough time for registration, stretching and practice. We suggest you do not have all groups show up first thing in the morning since it is a very hectic time and we want to accommodate the teams in order of performance.
- Please have your teams sit on the floor only. Try to use as little space as possible so that we can accommodate all teams. The bleachers will be for spectators only. Please notify parents that any cheerleader in uniform is to be seated on the floor even if they have already competed for the day.
- All teams have a scheduled practice time prior to their performance time. You do not have to use this time, however if you miss it, it will not be rescheduled. The practice area is a matted area in the practice area.
- We are not responsible for lost or stolen items. Do not bring any valuable items to the competition.
- All coaches can sit in front of the judges' table during their team performance, if they are wearing a coach's band.
- Coach bands will be in your packet. If you have not registered all your coaches, you will not get the bands. Coaches cannot be added the day of the event. Any extra coaches will need to pay admission price and will not be allowed in the practice areas.
- No food or drink in the gym areas.
- WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE for music mishaps. We have hired a sound equipment company. You will not be able to repeat a performance due to music issues/mistakes.
- Medical personnel and trainers are on hand to assist with any injuries/illnesses.
- Score sheets can be picked up AFTER the awards program has concluded.
- Any lost or found items will be turned in to the flower sales table.
- In the case of a tie the overall impression score will be used to break the tie.
- Inform parents that the building WILL NOT open to spectators until 8:00 a.m.
- At no time is anyone allowed to approach the judges and question their ruling during the competition. Cheerleading is a subjective sport. Questions are to be directed to one of the site coordinators and they will talk to the judges if they feel it is appropriate.
- COVID regulations set by NYS and NCCC will be followed. Up-to-date regulations can be found on the NCCC website.

Please let us know if you have any questions/concerns.

We are easiest reached via email.

Niagaracheerproductions@gmail.com

www.niagaracheerproductions.weeblv.com

Thanks again, Niagara Cheer Productions

# Fall Fest 2023 Cheer Competition

# PARTICIPANT WAIVER FORM

Fall Fest at NCCC October 22nd, 2023

Name of team participating with
Name of participant
Release:
In consideration for you accepting my entry and permitting me to attend or participate therein, I
intend to be legally bound hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive and
release any and all rights and claims for damages I may not or in the future have against the
Niagara Cheer Productions, Niagara County Community College, Niagara Erie Youth Sports
Association (NEYSA), Nicastro Accounting Services and other sponsors, or their representatives,
agents or members or assigns for any and all losses and/or other injuries suffering from or
competing in or attending said event. I verify that I am physically fit and have trained sufficiently
for this event. I understand the above named are not responsible for lost or stolen items.
Participant Signature Date
Parent Signature Date