



Here are a few reminders for what is coming up in the month of September. Save the enclosed information to refer to as we move through this month.

Labor Day Holiday: KC Cheer will be closed for the Labor Day holiday from Saturday, September 2nd through Monday, September 4, 2023. No classes, or team practices will be held on these days.

USASF Membership: Thus far, just a little over 30% of our team members have renewed their membership with the USASF. MEMBERSHIP IS MANDATORY. Only paid athletes can be placed on a team, so we need every athlete paid before our teams can be formed and registered for any competitions. Please make this a priority and DO IT TODAY! [Click here to get started.](#) The membership fee is \$49/athlete. If you are an athlete, new to KC Cheer, and have an account with another gym, please remember to drop your old program and request to change your program to KC Cheer once your dues are paid. Our program number is 877370, you can enter this in the search field to find us. You must upload a birth certificate to your account for age verification, and add a "headshot" photo to your account.

All athletes who will turn 18 prior to June 1, 2024 will have to complete a background check and Abuse Prevention Training video. Don't wait to start this process, it can take a few days to complete.

Worlds Team Athletes: For athletes on Famous, Fearless & Fierce Five - you must have a photo ID to enter the practice room at Worlds. If your athlete does not have a government issued ID card, please start the process to obtain one now. School IDs are not valid, you must have a passport, driver's license, or non driver state ID card with a photograph.

Fall Choreography: Our choreographers will be back at KC Cheer to work with select teams starting September 16th. Your choreography dates and times can be found under the Team Reveal post on the homepage of our website. [Click here to go to the Homepage.](#) I have updated all the team posts with the times for choreography.

September Travel & Competition fee due dates: Your first of three installments for Competition and travel fees will be due no later than Tuesday, September 15, 2023. At that time the following amounts will be due:

- Flippers, Fantastic: \$75
- Fiercelings & Fuel: \$175
- Feisty & Flash: \$125
- Fever & Force: \$250
- Level 3 and Up: \$250

Due to the timing issues regarding Varsity and their Hotel Stay to Play policy, I will not have admin fees calculated until late October. I will begin by posting entry fees to your accounts and hopefully I will have admin fees solidified before all travel payments have been made in November.

Practice Wear, Uniforms & Accessories: The items we ordered earlier this summer have started to arrive! I will distribute items to the kids as soon as they come in. If any of your uniform or practice wear items are unpaid, your athlete will not receive them with their team. I am currently compiling an order for Large Sparkly Backpacks and this order will close and be sent no later than August 25th. Last chance to get your order in! Makeup, socks and competition bows will be handed out right before the Spirit Spectacular, at the end of October.

Competition Schedule: We will be finalizing the competition schedule in the next 7-10 days. I will send the new schedule out to everyone once it is finalized.

Travel Informational Parent Meeting: I will hold an information parent meeting for new parents (and returning parents) to go over our hotel and travel policies and what this season has in store for us. **Meetings will be held on Wednesday, October 4 at 5:30 p.m. and Thursday October 5 at 5:30 p.m.** If you have never traveled with KC Cheer, I would highly suggest that you attend one of these meetings.