



Parent Handbook 2025-2026



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The Goals of Geneva Angels Cheer Team is to:

- Create a FUN and encouraging learning atmosphere
- Educate our students in proper tumbling, lifting and stunting technique
- Provide students with exceptional coaching at an affordable price
- Build confidence and friendships through a unique and encouraging atmosphere
- Provide multiple performance opportunities throughout the community
- Most importantly, provide a warm and friendly environment through which students are able to gain confidence and skills that will be valuable throughout many aspects of life

ANGELS CHEER TEAM PRICING STRUCTURE		
Item	Dates	Price
Angels CHEER TEAM Jr. and Sr. team 3 hrs per week REQUIRED	SEE SCHEDULE NEXT PAGE	\$98 (res)/ \$105 (non-res) Monthly fee Sept. 2025 – July 2026
Angels CHEER TEAM Mini Team 2 hrs per week REQUIRED	SEE SCHEDULE NEXT PAGE	\$78 (res)/ \$89 (non-res) Monthly fee Sept. 2025 – July 2025
3 Park District Competitions REQUIRED	TBD – Spring 2025	\$100 – estimated performance fee
1 weekly tumbling class <i>(NEW! Required for Jr. and Sr. team, encouraged for Mini team)</i>	Day/time selected by participant (9/8/25 – 8/2026)	Price varies per class. Please see price listed in program book or at genevaparks.org.
1 weekly elective dance <i>(encouraged for all)</i>	Day/time selected by participant (9/8/25 – 8/2026)	Price varies per class. Please see price listed in program book or at genevaparks.org.
Uniform and equipment REQUIRED	UNIFORM TRY-ON DAY will be scheduled in fall	Approximately \$110-\$200
Additional Team Gear OPTIONAL	TBD – Stay tuned for info on team t-shirts, sweatshirts, parent shirts, etc.!	TBD

**Angels Cheer Team requires
a weekly commitment from 9/25 through 8/26.**

Weekly class commitment is 2-4 practice hours,
with additional hours on competition and performance weekends.

ANGELS 2025-26 Sample Schedule			
TUESDAYS		THURSDAYS	
ANGELS CHEER - MINIS TUMBLING <i>(Optional)</i> 5:30 - 6pm	Angels Tumbling - Level 1 5:15 - 6pm		Angels Tumbling - Level 2 5:15 - 6pm
ANGELS CHEER - MINIS PRACTICE 6 - 7pm	ANGELS CHEER PRACTICE- JR and SR teams 6 - 7:30pm	ANGELS CHEER - MINIS PRACTICE 6 - 7pm	ANGELS CHEER PRACTICE- JR and SR teams 6 - 7:30pm

PERFORMANCE AND COMPETITION CALENDAR	
Dates are subject to change due to venue and competition availability	
Item	Dates
Jingle Ball Recital	December 13-14* 2025
IPDDC Competition	Spring 2026
IPDDC Competition	Spring 2026
IPDDC State Competition	Spring 2026
SDA Annual Recital	May 17-18* 2025
Swedish Days Performance	June 2026
Swedish Days Parade	June 2026
<p style="text-align: center;">Angels Cheer & Poms Team requires a weekly commitment from 9/2025 through 8/2026.</p> <p>While some scheduling issues cannot be avoided, please make every effort to plan family vacations and other commitments outside of required performance dates. We will make every effort to announce required dates ASAP. Participants who are unable to attend required performances or miss multiple practices may be removed from future performances.</p> <p><i>*Additional performance opportunities may arise throughout the season, and we will do our best to notify parents as soon as possible regarding any changes.*</i></p>	



Cheerleader & Parent Contract 2025-2026

Please review the following Angels Cheer & Poms Team rules and guidelines and return to Coach Ryann no later than 9/10/25.

- **NEW FOR 2025 – 26 SEASON – updated attendance policy**
 - I/we understand that practices and scheduled performances are mandatory.
 - Cheerleaders will be excused from **three** practices per season for required school events that receive a grade.
 - Cheerleaders will be excused from practice in the event of illness or injury and should not return to practice until they are fever-free for at least 24 hours or have received a doctor's note saying they are able to return to practice.
 - A cheerleader will receive an unexcused absence for any event that is not a required school event or above listed illness or injury.
 - After **two** unexcused absences in a season, a cheerleader and parent will be required to attend a conference with a coach and may be required to attend a makeup practice, open gym or private lesson in order to stay in good standing on the team. Additional fees would be required.
- I/we understand that the Angels Cheer & Poms team program is an 11-month commitment from September 2025-August 2026 and that weekly practice and performance are required the entire season (including summer).
- I/we understand that all cheerleaders will treat each other and their coaches with kindness and respect. Corrections and critiques will be given from coaches and should not be given from participants. Any cheerleader displaying unsportsmanlike behavior or unnecessary comments could be subject to dismissal from the program.
- I/we understand that missing a practice the week of competition could result in cheerleaders being unable to participate in the performance. Illness or school events that require a grade may be considered as an exception.
- I/we understand that cheerleaders should arrive early and prepared to participate at all practices and performances. Late arrival could result in the cheerleader being unable to participate.
- I/we understand that cheerleaders should be picked up promptly after practices and performances. If you will be late to pick up your cheerleader, please call or

text Coach Ryann or message via the Band app. If needed please call the office and get a message to the coach. Sunset Community Center 630-232-4542.

- I/we understand that all cheerleaders will be expected to behave and practice with their best effort at all times, taking corrections and maintaining a positive, respectful attitude. If a cheerleader acts inappropriately during class they will be asked to sit out and parent will be notified.
- I/we understand that cheerleaders should arrive in appropriate attire for practices. Attire for practices: T-Shirt or tank, shorts or jazz pants/leggings, cheer shoes, and hair tied back. Cheer shoes should not be worn on outdoor surfaces.
- I/we understand that participants are responsible for all required uniform purchases and fees must be submitted by the deadline. Late fees may be required or denial of participation may be necessary if payment is not received on time.
- I/we understand that competition fees must be paid by the instructed date in order to participate. Fees turned in after the instructed date will have a late fee or may not be accepted. Please keep in mind that competition fees are non-refundable. (This is the policy of all competitions).
- I/we understand that each cheerleader is responsible for their cheer items when at a competition or event. Any missing uniform pieces would result in point deductions at competitions, therefore the cheerleader may not be able to perform. Competition fees will not be reimbursed.
- I/we understand that cheerleaders and observers can be judged based on good sportsmanship towards other teams at all competitions and events. All participants, including parents, friends and family observers must show respect to other competitors, meet hosts and workers at all events. Any cheerleader or observer may be asked to leave an event if they fail to demonstrate supportive and positive behavior. Any concerns regarding competition events need to be addressed to Coach Ryann.
- I/we understand that scheduled times at meets are subject to changes made by the host team. It is possible that performance times may change quickly and at the last minute. Communication will be posted on the BAND app to keep families as up to date as possible, but it is always recommended that performers and families arrive ahead of schedule to all meets and performances.
- I/we understand that the Angels Cheer & Poms team is a no-cut team. However, coaches may divide groups by skills/ability. Coaches have the right to place team members in age/level groups they see fit.

I have read the Angels Cheerleading Handbook and understand that it is a **binding contract** holding me responsible for adhering to the above verbiage until the season ends in August 2026. I understand the dress code and class requirements. I understand the Competition requirements and expectations and agree to abide by these rules.

Cheerleader Signature and Date

Parent Signature and Date