

2019 - 20 Top Notch Team Commitments

Being a member of the Top Notch Competitive Team requires the following commitments. We base our practice schedules and staffing, as well as our competition budget, on the number of gymnasts making this yearly commitment (June 2019 – May 2020), so it is very important that you speak with your gymnast about her desires for the upcoming year and insure that your whole family is “on board” before signing and turning in this form. **This Team Commitment Form, the Anti-Bullying Contract, the Auto-Pay Form, and the Initial Commitment payment is due May 15th. A gymnast may not begin summer practice if any item is missing.**

- 1) **Participation at Practice** – team members are expected to attend and give 110% effort at all practices and meets. Gymnasts should only come to their assigned practice times. Excessive absences and/or lack of effort will prevent a gymnast from reaching her full potential and will negatively affect the full team’s performance. An injured gymnast should still attend practice as scheduled to maintain conditioning unless prohibited by a physician and is responsible for the full monthly tuition. An injured gymnast **who is unable to condition**, as directed by their physician, may pay half monthly tuition to hold their spot on team until they are able to return to practice. EXCEPTION: if a gymnast is sick, please keep her home until she has been symptom free for 24 hours.
- 2) **Membership Fee & Tuition** – the Top Notch annual team membership fee (\$40/family) will be added to June tuition. Tuition is based on the cost per year to run each competitive level. It is not based on the number of hours per month, as this may vary depending on the time of the year. The annual tuition is divided into 12 equal monthly payments for your convenience. A copy of the current monthly tuition rates is included with this team enrollment package. **A team member whose membership fee or tuition is more than 15 days past due will not be allowed to participate in practices or meets until her account is made current.**
- 3) **Competition Expenses** – in addition to the Top Notch membership fee and tuition, team members incur expenses for apparel, general fees (USA number, etc.), competition entry fees, and coaches’ compensation (time and travel). The costs allotted to each team member is based on the total number of gymnasts on the team. By committing to the team, you are committing to paying your share of these fees. If competition expenses are not paid as scheduled, you will likely incur additional late payment expenses charged by the apparel manufactures and/or meet hosts, and your gymnast may also not be able to compete in meets that fill up prior to your entry fees being paid. **All competition expenses are non-refundable, with one exception. If a gymnast is injured and cannot compete, we will attempt to receive a refund of her meet entry fees.** However, there is no guarantee we will be able to secure a refund, as the deadline for withdrawing athletes is often several weeks prior to the meet.
- 4) **Team Handbook** – many other team policies are outlined in the Top Notch Team Handbook. It is the responsibility of every team parent to read the Handbook completely and discuss it with their gymnast. By signing this commitment, you are agreeing to all Handbook policies.

I have read and agree to the above commitments:

Gymnast’s Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Print Gymnast’s Name: _____

Date: _____