



Lighthouse Christian Chargers Cheer

Purpose:

Our purpose for the LCC cheerleaders is to bring glory to God in all that we do and to offer student athletes the opportunity to grow in cheer skills and leadership while promoting encouragement to our athletic teams.

Eligibility:

Player Eligibility: Lighthouse Christian Athletics complies with a combination of eligibility rules from MSHSAA (Missouri State High School Activities Association) and certain specific Homeschool athletic associations relevant to each competing sport. Athletes who are homeschooled are allowed to participate in Charger sports with no restrictions. Must have been homeschooled for at least 365 consecutive days immediately preceding the competitive season. • Must meet the age requirements set by MSHSAA for Junior High and Senior High participants.

Grade Eligibility:

Mascots- 1st-3rd grade

Sparklers- 4th-6th grade

Jr. High Cheer- 7th-8th grade

JV Cheer- 9th-12th

Varsity Cheer- 9th-12th grade

Varsity and JV will be determined based on tryout scores.

Registration Deadline:

Cheerleaders must be registered in order to participate.

Junior High, JV, and Varsity registration will be open on March 27th until May 17th. The registration fee for Junior High, JV, and Varsity is \$145. The first \$45 is due by May 17th and is non-refundable. The remaining \$100 of the registration fee will be due after Try-outs, once cheerleaders have been rostered on their squad.

The registration fee for Mascots/Sparklers is \$80 and is due at registration. Registration for returning Mascots/Sparklers will be open starting March 27th.
Registration for new Mascots/ Sparklers will open on April 3rd.

There will be an association fee that will need to be paid prior to registration. For athletes 10 and older, the first athlete is \$75, the second athlete is \$50, the third athlete is \$25. Athletes **under** the age of 10 are \$25, unless they are the fourth. Your fourth athlete and beyond are free. This is found on the first page of registration on lcatchargers.com

Cost:

Mascot/Sparkler Charger Cheer total cost is approximately \$356; this includes the \$80 registration fee. This price includes their uniform (shell & skirt), bag, t-shirt, bows, jacket and poms which they will get to keep.

Mascots will need to purchase separately:

- White athletic shoes - White socks - Rain jacket - Navy leggings - White long sleeved shirt

*Returning Mascots cost will be less and be dependent upon the items that they need to purchase.

Jr. High Charger Cheer total cost is approximately \$585,, this includes a \$145 registration fee.

This price includes the whole uniform, rain jackets, t-shirt, warm-ups, poms, bag, and bows. The girls keep their uniform each year and will only need to order what is needed for the following year.

Cheer shoes this fee and white socks will need to be purchased separately. *White authentic cheerleading shoes are required (the soles are more solid for stunting).

JV/Varsity Charger Cheer total cost is approximately \$687; this includes a \$145 cheer fee.

This price includes the whole uniform, rain jackets, t-shirt, warm-ups, poms, bag, white socks and bows.

The girls keep their uniform each year and will only need to order what is needed for the following year.

Cheer shoes are not included in this fee and will need to be purchased separately. *White authentic cheerleading shoes are required (the soles are more solid for stunting).

Uniforms must be paid in full on May 21st. The uniform fees are non-refundable. Cheer fees are paid when you register online.

If you have payment question, please email Petra Stockton at cheer.treasurer@lcatchargers.com

Other costs to consider are the entry fees to games, travel cost, hotel cost, and cost for Nationals in Florida for JV/Varsity.

Insurance:

Cheerleaders and parents need to be aware that there are inherent risks involved in cheerleading. By participating in this sport, as with other sports, the cheerleader and family acknowledge this fact and assume this risk. Medical insurance is not provided by Lighthouse Christian Chargers.

Communication:

The Chargers communicate through Sportsengine. Make sure you are checking Sportsengine for schedule and communication. If you are having problems registering, be sure to pay the annual administrative fee prior to registering at lcachargers.com. For questions email maria@lcachargers.com

You can also follow the Lighthouse Christian Chargers Cheerleaders social media accounts at the following:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/LCAChargers

Instagram: [lc.chargerscheer](https://www.instagram.com/lc.chargerscheer)

Sports Physical:

All athletes will need a sports physical. Requirements form uploaded under their athlete profile on the website by the first day of practice (August 3rd). Cheerleaders will not be allowed to practice or cheer at the games until a physical and annual requirements form is uploaded on to the website under your athletes profile. This is a MSHSAA guideline.

Important Dates, Practices and Games

Mascots and Sparklers:

Uniform fittings and Ordering- May 18th or 20th at Seminole Baptist from 9-12. There will be a sign up sent out to reserve your spot *A parent must be present

Sparkler/Mascot Camp- August 10th and 11th from 5:30-8 at Fellowship farm

Mascot/sparkler practice- Start on August 13th Mascots from 5:30-7:00 and Sparklers 5:30-7:30 pm at Fellowship Farm (Please arrive by 5:15) Practice time will decrease when games start.

Practices- Mondays and Thursdays unless games fall on our practice days then we will have to add in Tuesday practices. Please be sure to follow the Crossbar chat and calendar for your squad to stay updated.

Games- Sparklers Perform at all local (within an hour from Springfield) Varsity and JV games and Mascots will perform at local (within an hour from Springfield) Jr. High games and Home games with Sparklers beginning at the end of August

Pep Rally - August 27th

Jr. High, JV and Varsity:

Tryouts: Required to participate in cheer. May 18-21st from 8-12 at Seminole Baptist Church

Uniform fittings and Ordering- Jr High will try on uniforms on Wednesday May 21. Jr High warm ups fitting will be on May 21 from 8-12 (there will be a sign up sent out to reserve a spot). Varsity and JV fittings on May 21st from 8-12. We will send out a sign up to reserve a time slot. *A parent must be present and prepared to pay. Only accepting credit or debit cards.

Practices- begin August 3 5:30-8pm at Fellowship farm. Mondays, Tuesday, Thursdays, and Fridays through August and continue until the beginning of November. Once games start, practice will be on the days that a game is not scheduled.

Stunt clinic- July 27, 9am-12pm
at Dynamics Gymnastics.

Mandatory stunt- August 3 and 4th, 9am-12pm at Evangel University.

Mascot Camp- August 10th and 11th Jr. High, JV and Varsity girls help lead this camp

Games- Begin August 28th and end in November.

Jamboree - August 21st

Pep Rally - August 27th

Nationals - November 16th through 21st JV and Varsity will both play in Nationals. The location is Panama City Beach, Florida.

***All dates and times are subject to change.**

Games:

Games usually begin in mid to late August and continue through the beginning of November. Jr. High, JV and Varsity girls cheer at all away and home games. Most Varsity games are on Fridays or Saturdays. JV games are mostly on Mondays and Jr. high games vary.

Mascots and Sparklers only perform at home games. They will cheer at local and close (within an hour) games. The schedule will be on the Sportsengine app