



Eugene Youth Cheer 2026-27 Season Information Packet

About

Eugene Youth Cheer is committed to educating, empowering and energizing youth through the sport of cheerleading. Our program is open to Eugene-area students enrolled in the 3rd through 8th grades. Cheerleaders will learn a routine that will be performed at five to six Oregon competitions in January and February. We do not require youth to try out for a team, and we do not require participants to have any previous experience. Anyone willing to work hard and bring a positive attitude is welcome!

NEW this year: Our teams will perform gameday-style routines. A gameday routine is more consistent with what you see on the sidelines at a football or basketball game, with more cheering and less dance and stunting (although these elements are also included). That means pom-poms, more sparkles and students who are better prepared to audition for high school teams.

Teams and Practices

A *Youth Team* will be open to students enrolled in 3rd to 5th grade. The team will likely practice at North Eugene High School, 250 Silver Lane in Eugene. Times are TBD, but at this point we expect the team will practice Tuesdays and Thursdays for 90 minutes.

A *Junior Team* will serve students enrolled in 6th to 8th grade. The likely practice location will be Churchill High School, 1850 Bailey Hill Road in Eugene. Times are TBD, but at this point we expect the team will practice Tuesdays and Thursdays for two hours.

Exact practice times will be available in early August. Please see the *Competitions* and *Key Dates* sections of this packet for information on other dates your child should be available.

Competitions

It is very important that youth attend ALL competitions. Cheer is not like many other sports, where you can swap in another player if someone is missing. Cheerleaders have a set spot and role in the routine; if they are missing, formations have gaps and stunts can't be completed. If you need to miss a competition, we require that you inform the coach at the beginning of the season (or as soon as possible) so they can adapt the routine as needed.

Here is our *tentative* competition schedule. A final schedule will be available in early August.

- January 9
- January 16
- January 23
- January 30
- February 6
- February 20

New: Cheerleader for a Day

New this season, we are offering a Cheerleader for a Day class where youth can experience cheer and decide if it's a good fit. If your child is interested in cheer but wants to check it out before committing to a whole season, this is their opportunity! Our coaches will cover cheer basics such as dance, motions, jumps, tumbling and basic stunting, and introduce kids to the spirit and friendships they can find through this amazing sport.

The Cheerleader for a Day event will be **Tuesday, September 15 from 5 to 7 p.m.** at Churchill High School. The cost is \$25 and will be credited toward the enrollment fee if you decide to register for the whole season. [To sign up, click here.](#)



Tuition

Program fees are as follows:

- Enrollment fee: \$25 on or before August 15; \$50 after August 15
- Tuition: \$120 per month for September through February (September tuition will be prorated)

We do not offer scholarships at this time, but we will support more fundraisers this year so youth can raise money toward their tuition and uniform costs.

Uniform

The uniform is mandatory and will cost \$250. This includes the top, skirt, undershorts, pom-poms and bow. This amount *does not* include all-white cheer shoes, which must be purchased separately. Cheer shoes are typically around \$50 and are available at local athletic supply companies or online.

Key Dates

- August 15: Early bird registration (save \$25 on the enrollment fee!)
- September 15: Cheerleader for a Day
- September 22: Practices begin
- October 17 and 18 from 3 to 8 p.m.: Choreography for Junior Team
- November 6 and 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Choreography for Youth Team
- January 6 or 7: Exhibition performance at a high school basketball game
- Also see tentative competition dates in January and February (above)

We will not practice on the following dates due to holidays or school-related events and closures:

- Week of November 23
- December 24 (plan to practice on December 22)
- December 31 (plan to practice on December 29)
- January 18

Register Today!

[Ready to get started? Sign up here!](#)

Questions? Contact Eugene Youth Cheer at EugeneYouthCheer@gmail.com.

