

SOUTH FAYETTE TOWNSHIP YOUTH CHEERLEADING ASSOCIATION

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REGISTRATION FLYER 2016

THOSE ELIGIBLE—ALL SOUTH
FAYETTE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS
ENTERING GRADES 1 THROUGH 6
IN THE FALL OF 2016

REGISTRATION DATES at the South Fayette Township Municipal Building:

- **RETURNING Cheerleaders** • Friday, MAY 6TH • 6 to 8 PM
- **NEW Cheerleaders** • Saturday MAY 7TH • 11 AM to 1 PM

A RETURNING cheerleader is a cheerleader who cheered for the 2015 SFTYCA season. A returning cheerleader **MUST** register by the returning cheerleader date to maintain special registration status. **If a returning cheerleader DOES NOT register ON OR BEFORE May 6th, she is treated as a new cheerleader.** Squads will be limited to 25 cheerleaders per grade level. All **NEW** cheerleaders will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis to fill any remaining open positions and must be registered by the child's parent / guardian. A squad is dependent upon the number of football teams. **If you are a RETURNING cheerleader & cannot register on your date, you must email Michelle Allan PRIOR to that date to make registration arrangements. LATE REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. NO EXCEPTIONS !!!**

Why are there requirements about squad size?

The SFTYCA has experienced an increase in enrollment over the last few years. Unfortunately, the South Fayette Township Youth Football Association (SFTYFA) has experienced a decline in enrollment over the last few years, as have the youth football programs in our neighboring communities. Thus, the SFTYCA is limited as to how many cheer squads it can form, as there cannot be more cheer squads than there are football teams. In addition, the size of the cheer squads has to be manageable. The SFTYCA has strived to balance the demand for its program and its operating restrictions by limiting each grade's squad to 25 cheerleaders.

MANDATORY Cheer Camp

The season will begin with MANDATORY cheer camp held on Thursday, August 4th through Friday, August 5th; Monday, August 8th through Friday, August 12th, and Monday, Aug. 15th. **For the safety of our cheerleaders, attending camp is MANDATORY!!!**

Practice Commitment

The practice schedule after the conclusion of cheer camp will begin the week of August 15th. Practices will be held at Fairview Park weekday evenings. Practices will run until the first game day. After the football season begins, the girls will have practices and cheer on game days only. Please see

the Calendar of Events and the Standards of Participation for specific details.

Registration Fee

The 2016 NON-REFUNDABLE registration fee is \$160. This fee covers items such as cheer camp, pom-poms, insurances, game day security, EMS, field usage fees, banquet costs, etc. A \$50 discount is given for registering 2 or more siblings.

Mandatory Fundraiser

EACH FAMILY is to sell eight \$5 lottery tickets. The \$40 for tickets will need to be prepaid at Registration when tickets are distributed and is NON-REFUNDABLE.

Mandatory Items to be purchased at Uniform Fittings on Monday, June 6th:

Uniform items include but are not limited to: vest, skirt, and half-shirt package, shoes, briefs, warm-up, fleece headwarmer, socks, bows & rain poncho.

Pom-poms will be given to all NEW cheerleaders by the SFTYCA (Returning cheerleaders have already received pom-poms). If pom-poms need to be replaced, it will be at your expense.

Optional Fundraiser

You may choose to participate in an optional Fundraiser to earn money towards your Mandatory Merchandise Cost ONLY. Details will be provided at time of registration.

Volunteer Commitment

For EACH CHILD registered, every family will need to make a volunteer time commitment of 1 to 2 1/2 hrs. Exact time commitment will be given when we know how many home games we have and how many families are registered.

You will need to provide a \$75 REFUNDABLE check (for each child) payable to SFTYCA (postdated 12/1/2016), to be returned at the end of the season if your volunteer hours have been fulfilled.

Coaching

The success of our program depends on quality adult leadership and participation. The SFTYCA needs the support and involvement of parents whose children take part in the program. Coaches, assistant coaches and business managers are needed.

If you are interested in coaching this season, please attend an informational meeting on Sunday, May 22nd at 6:00pm (Municipal Bldg). Parents can ask questions and apply for a position after the meeting. Those selected receive a \$50 rebate.



Registration Checklist:

1. Completed Registration Form
2. Page 5 of the Standards of Participation (signed & dated)
3. Cheerleader Skills Form
4. Two checks made payable to "SFTYCA":
 - A \$200 NON-REFUNDABLE check to cover \$160 for registration fees and \$40 to prepay for mandatory lottery fundraiser tickets
 - A \$75 REFUNDABLE check for your Volunteer Time Commitment (postdated 12/1/2016) to be returned to you at the end of the season if you complete your volunteer hours (1 - 2 1/2 hrs. per child)

*** PLEASE NOTE ***

THERE IS A \$25.00 CHARGE
FOR ALL RETURNED CHECKS

???QUESTIONS???

Please contact Michelle Allan at
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