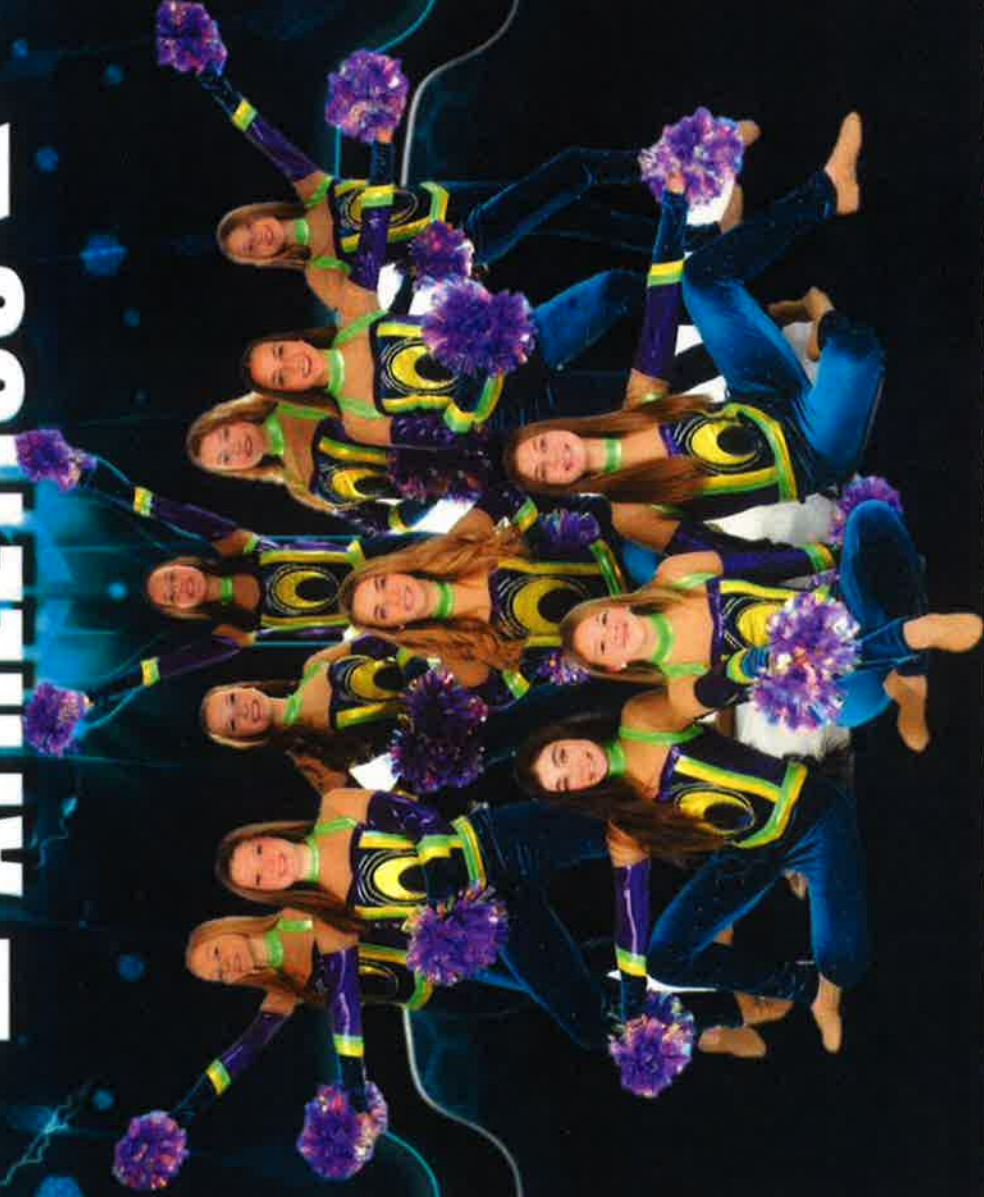


COMPETITIVE FULL SEASON DANCE TEAMS

2017-2018

PEAK **ATHLETICS**



AUDITIONS BEGIN MAY 2017



Join the Peak Athletics Family!

Thank you for your interest in the Peak Athletics All-Star Dance Program. Our organization has been committed to excellence since its inception in 1999. Peak's Elite All-Star Dance Teams have grown to the largest All-Star dance program in the state of Colorado. With 72 athletes and 7 teams, 2016-17 was a season to remember! For the past five seasons, our teams have placed in the top three at all local competitions and have earned three National titles and multiple National runner-up titles. We are proud to announce that, for the fifth year in Pom and third year in Hip Hop our Worlds Team will be attending The Dance Worlds competition in Orlando! Also, this season, our Mini, Youth and Junior teams received bids to The Dance Summit. We are thrilled with our competitive success and so proud of the values, life lessons, and teamwork instilled in our teams and dancers.

Our coaching staff is committed to the concept of sportsmanship and team building. We have adopted "PEAK POSITIVE" as our affirmation and mission. Our expectation is that all of our dancers' respect each other, their coaches and their fellow competitors. We feel that it is important for our participants to learn about the structure of organized programs, both in the studio and at competitions. We believe that with this knowledge our dancers gain confidence and meet team goals. We consistently promote achievement and the pursuit of excellence with all our dancers.

We appreciate your interest in our elite All-Star dance program and look forward to working with your dancer.

Sincerely,

Vanessa Graziano, All-Star Dance Director, vgraziano@peakathletics.net

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"Helping today's youth
achieve their personal
best through our
commitment to instill:
*respect, structure
and confidence*
in each athlete
within a fun and
safe environment"



Check List for Evaluations

Registration Form

Account Balances

*Athlete account must be paid in full prior to being evaluated for the 2017-18 season.

Evaluation Fee *This fee is non-refundable*

\$50 Registration Fee (on or before May 19)

\$55 Late Registration Fee (on or after May 20)

Evaluation Information

Audition Choreography Date: Saturday, May 20

- Choreography time is assigned based on age as of August 31, 2017.
- Complete registration form by May 19.
- Participants must attend this choreography session, May 20th to audition for a team.

Evaluation Process

- On Saturday, May 20, dancers will be taught 4-6 eight counts of choreography, and technical skills both pom and hip hop.
- Dancers will be assigned to Practice Groups for the week of May 22-25. The practice groups will be posted to the website on Sunday, May 21. During the practice week, dancers may be asked to attend multiple practice times and will be notified via email.
- If necessary, dancers may be called back on Friday, May 26.
- Approximate days/times are listed to the right.
- Dancers are expected to attend all assigned Practice Group times to be placed on a team.
- Official teams for the 2017-18 season will be announced on the website Sunday, May 28.
- Official practice will begin on Monday, June 5.
- Team Bonding Events will take place during the weeks of May 30 - June 3, 2017.
- Tuition and team fees will begin the first week of June. Charges for June will be assessed to your account on June 1 and due by June 5.

EVALUATION SCHEDULE:

Saturday, April 8

Evaluation Parent Meeting: 2:00pm Studio A

Saturday, May 20

Audition Choreography:

Ages 6-9 2:00-4:00pm

Ages 10-12 4:00-6:00pm

Ages 13+ 6:00-8:00pm

May 22 - 25

Dancers must attend all practices to which they are invited.

Teal Tues. 4:00-6:30pm

Silver A Mon. 4:30-6:30pm / **B** Thurs. 4:30-6:30pm

Black A Tues. 7:30-9:30pm / **B** Weds. 7:30-9:30

C Thurs. 7:30-9:30pm

May 26

Practice Groups:

A 6:30-8:30pm / **B** 7:30-9:30pm

WHAT TO WEAR:

- All black clothing
- Dance pants/shorts/capris
- Shirt/tank/leotard that covers the midriff
- Jazz shoes are encouraged for pom
- Sneakers are required for hip hop
- For safety, please have hair pulled away from the face and no jewelry or gum.

It is our intention to create the best possible teams by maximizing the skills, number of dancers, age and ability. Not only will dancers be chosen by their overall skills, but also by the value and maturity that each dancer will bring to the team. Thank you for your confidence in our coaching and decision making as we place your dancer on the team where he/she will be most successful. If a dancer is unable to attend the evaluations and would like to audition, you may contact Vanessa Graziano, All-Star Dance Director at vgraziano@peakathletics.net, as soon as possible to arrange an alternate evaluation.

Audition Skills

Below is the outline of the skills that may be evaluated at auditions. We encourage you to audition even if you have not mastered every skill.

Mini Pom

- ✓ Toe-Touch
- ✓ Batternet Kicks
- ✓ C-pop Jump
- ✓ Pom Motions
- ✓ Splits (R/L/Center)

Additional Extra Credit Skills:

- ✓ Triple Pirouettes
- ✓ Extensions
- ✓ Turn Combinations
- ✓ Turning Disc

Youth / Jr / Sr Pom

- ✓ Batternet Kicks
- ✓ Pom Motions
- ✓ Toe-Touch
- ✓ Charge Jump
- ✓ Front Leg Hold
- ✓ Single, Double, Triple Pirouettes (R/L)

Advanced Pom Team Skills:

- ✓ Quad Pirouettes (R/L)
- ✓ Turning Disc Jump
- ✓ Single, Double Leg Turn
- ✓ 3 Tours into Double Pirouette
- ✓ 6 Tours into Double Pirouette

Hip Hop

- ✓ Handstand
- ✓ Cartwheel
- ✓ Six step footwork
- ✓ K-kick
- ✓ Headstand or Tripod
- ✓ Any freeze or stall
- ✓ Experience in Hip Hop Styles and technique

Additional Extra Credit Skills:

- ✓ Rubberband
- ✓ Headspring
- ✓ Kip up
- ✓ Back handspring
- ✓ Aerial

I NEED SOME TRAINING BEFORE

TRYOUTS! WHAT DO I DO?

To prepare for tryouts, we suggest taking technical classes in the following areas:

Ballet	Leaps & Turns	Pom
Hip Hop	Hip Hop Tumbling	Power Barre

All Star Clinics May 8 - 11 & May 15 - 18

Mini:

Monday, May 8 & 15 @ 4:30-5:30 (1)	All Star Hip Hop
Monday, May 8 & 15 @ 5:30-6:30 (1)	All Star Pom
Wednesday, May 10 & 17 @ 4:30-5:30 (2)	All Star Turn
Wednesday, May 10 & 17 @ 5:30-6:30 (2)	All Star Leaps

Youth:

Tuesday, May 9 & 16 @ 4:30-5:30 (1)	All Star Hip Hop
Tuesday, May 9 & 16 @ 5:30-6:30 (1)	All Star Pom
Thursday, May 11 & 18 @ 4:30-5:30 (2)	All Star Turn
Thursday, May 11 & 18 @ 5:30-6:30 (2)	All Star Leaps

JR/SR * INT /ADV:

Tuesday, May 9 & 16 @ 7:30-8:30 (1)	All Star Hip Hop INT
Tuesday, May 9 & 16 @ 8:30-9:30 (1)	All Star Hip Hop ADV
Wednesday, May 10 & 17 @ 5:30-6:30 (1)	All Star Pom INT
Wednesday, May 10 & 17 @ 6:30-7:30 (1)	All Star Pom ADV
Thursday, May 11 & 18 @ 7:30-8:30 (A)	All Star Turn INT
Thursday, May 11 & 18 @ 8:30-9:30 (A)	All Star Leaps INT

**ADV L&T- Contact Steven Thornton, Dance Rec Director for placement details at sthornton@peakathletics.net*

\$35/class member	\$120/group member
\$40/class non-member	\$140/group non-member

Class schedules may be picked up in the lobby or at our web site, www.PeakAthletics.net. You may enroll at the front desk with Member Services. In addition, private lessons can be arranged by contacting Vanessa Graziano at vgraziano@peakathletics.net

Group Placement

Age Requirements and Teams

Dancers must meet the age requirements set forth by the USAF.

Age requirements are based on current age as of **August 31, 2017**.

The age categories are as follows:

- Mini:** 9 years old and younger
- Youth:** 12 years old and younger
- Junior:** 15 years old and younger
- Senior:** 18 years old and younger

Peak may offer intermediate and advanced teams in all age divisions.

Commitment Agreement

Following team announcements, dancers and parents are required to sign the Peak Commitment Agreement for the 2017-18 dance season. By signing this agreement, dancers are accepting a position on a dance team, and both the parents and dancers are committing to the expectations required of being on a Peak competitive dance team. Dancers and parents will have until June 9, to turn in the commitment agreements.



IMPORTANT DATES:

Saturday May 20

Uniform fitting at audition

Thursday, June 1

Mandatory Parent Meeting: 5:30pm - Studio A

Monday, June 12 - 17

Pom Choreography

June 20 - 22

Summer Intensive

Saturday, July 29

Team Sleepover at Peak

Gym Closures

- May 29 Memorial Day
- June 25 - July 8 Summer Break
- Sept 4 Labor Day
- Nov 23 Thanksgiving
- Dec 24 - Jan 1 Winter Break

*Hip Hop Choreography Dates:

- Calicos June 2-3
- Cubs July 28-29
- Leopards & Panthers June 9-10
- Pumas June 17 & 24
- Bobcats July 21-22
- Sabers During Sunday practices in July

**Subject to change*





Financial Responsibilities & Obligations

Thank you for your careful consideration of the financial commitment involved with participation in our program.

At Peak Athletics, we are upfront with our costs. We have a monthly price that covers the expenses that each dancer will incur throughout the year. Your monthly fees will be made up of Team Tuition and Team Fees. Team Tuition covers team practices and required classes. All fees associated with being on a competitive team, minus travel expenses, will be divided evenly among the 11 months of the season. You will be assessed these monthly charges June 2017 - April 2018. Once selected for a team, each dancer is financially committing to the 11-month season. Team fees are non-refundable for any reason.

Payment: All team families are required to have a credit card on file for the upcoming team season. This credit card will be used for ALL payments including tuition, team fees, uniforms, annual membership and travel. Each family can pay prior to all due dates with any form of payment. For tuition and team fees, your card will be charged on the 26th of each month. All other payments will be processed on or after the due date specified on your monthly statement. In the event your credit card is declined, a new/valid card must be placed on file immediately. Past due charges are subject to late fees.

Additional Fees: Uniform expenses will be divided into two equal payments. The first payment is due in June and the second payment is due in July.

Uniforms: Each dancer is required to purchase his/her own uniform. All teams will be purchasing a new pom uniform. The pom uniform cost is approximately \$375. Each Hip Hop dancer will also be purchasing a new hip hop uniform to not exceed \$175 (this will include shoes). Uniforms and all related accessories are nonrefundable.

Membership Fee: An annual membership fee of \$50 per athlete or \$75 per family will be assessed on each family's anniversary date and charged to your credit card on file.

TUITION & TEAM FEES (JUNE - APRIL)

Mini, Youth & Junior Summit

Teams: \$445/month

Team tuition \$295/month

Team fees \$150/month

Will attend 2-3 National Competitions.

Practice time: 8 hours/week

- 2 hour team practice
- 2 hour team technique
- 4 included classes

Youth, Junior, Senior Teams:

\$445/month

Team tuition \$295/month

Team fees \$150/month

Will attend 1 National Competition.

Practice time: 8 hours/week

- 2 hour team practice
- 2 hour team technique
- 4 included classes

Hip Hop or Pom Only Teams:

\$325/month

Team tuition \$175/month

Team fees \$150/month

Depending what team dancer is on will determine number of National Competitions.

Practice time: 4 hours/week

- 1 hour team practice
- 1 hour team technique
- 2 included classes

Financial Responsibilities & Obligations (CONT)

Additional Classes

All elite dancers are offered an extremely discounted tuition rate for additional classes! Each additional class will be offered at a 50 %discount. Any additional classes after the 10th hour are free.

Travel Expenses

National Competitions : All teams will travel to 1 National Competition. Youth and Junior Summit teams and the Worlds team may travel to 2-3 National Competitions.

The Dance Worlds : The Worlds Senior team may qualify for The Dance Worlds Competition held in April. Any qualifying team will be required to attend the competition. Details will be discussed later if this opportunity becomes available.

The Dance Summit : Mini, Youth and Junior teams may qualify for the Summit Competition held in May. Any qualifying team will be required to attend the competition. Details will be discussed later if this opportunity becomes available.

Travel Fees :

- Athletes may not travel to any national competition if account balance is past due.
- Athletes are required to stay a minimum of three nights under the Peak package for all national travel.

Discounts

Peak offers a 5 %tuition discount for each sibling on a competitive dance team.

Peak offers a 5 %tuition discount to families who choose to pay the full season's tuition by June 25, 2017.

FUNDRAISING & SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Peak is proud to offer scholarship opportunities and a strong fundraising program to help offset costs for those wishing to participate.

Peak Booster Club: The Peak Booster Club offers interested families and opportunity to offset expenses with fundraising efforts. In addition, the Booster Club offers scholarship opportunities.

Kristi Cutright Scholarship: The Peak Booster Club is proud to offer this tuition based scholarship opportunity to athletes based on an application and selection process. This opportunity is available in late Fall.

Loyalty Program: Each graduating high school senior is eligible to receive \$150 for every consecutive year in Peak's competitive program after 2 consecutive years. These funds are intended to cover tuition expenses and will be paid directly to their school upon receipt of invoices. Please see Program Director for further details.



Dance Registration Form



Return this registration form with payment by May 19, 2017 to Peak Main or Peak Training Center Location.

Dancer's Name _____ Home Number _____
Age as of 08/31/17 _____ DOB _____
Parent's Name _____
Address _____
City, Zip _____
School _____ Grade (2017-2018) _____

Are you currently enrolled in classes at Peak? Yes _____ No _____

Athlete's T-shirt: *circle one*

Youth: XS S M L XL Adult: S M L

Registration Fee \$50 Credit Card on File Check attached

Contact information will be accessed from the Peak Athletics database. If you are new to Peak Athletics, please ensure that you have completed the registration documents and have been added to our system. Also, please ensure that all contact information we have on file is accurate. Should we need to contact a parent or athlete at any time, specifically during clinics or auditions, we will access the database for contact information.

My child has permission to audition for the Peak Athletics All-Star Dance Teams. We have read the evaluation packet and understand the time commitment and financial obligations. We understand that team placement and the selection of dancers is at the discretion of the dance coaching staff.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Office Use Only:
Paid _____ Date _____