



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY BULLETIN

TITLE: Cheerleading Guidelines

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Division of District Operations

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ROUTING
 Local District Superintendents
 Administrators of Operations
 Operations Coordinators
 Senior High School
 Administrators
 Personnel Commission
 Athletic Directors
 Athletic Coaches
 Senior High School Teachers

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Bulletin is to provide rules and regulations for the implementation of cheerleading as a California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) sanctioned sport.

MAJOR CHANGES: This is a new Bulletin.

GUIDELINES: The following guidelines apply:

Cheer will become a CIF sport as a result of California Assembly Bill 949 passing on June 1, 2015. With this change, the Interscholastic Athletic Department (IAD) will ensure that the District cheer programs follow CIF guidelines. Coaches will be paid from funding provided by the IAD.

I. CHEER COACHES

A. Required Certifications (Los Angeles Unified School District and CIF)

1. First Aid/CPR/AED Certification
2. Concussion Education
3. Sudden Cardiac Arrest Certification
4. Code of Conduct
5. Child Abuse Certification in Learning Zone – required to be renewed each school year within 30 days of an open assignment
6. American Association of Cheerleading Coaches and Administrators Certification (AACCA)
7. Coaching Education



B. Requirements for Student Athletes

1. Physical – Must be completed each school year, with proof signed and stamped by a doctor. School nurse to verify.
2. Emergency Card – Coach must carry at all times.
3. Proof of Insurance – Hard copy.
4. Bullying and Hazing Form – Signed by athlete and parent/guardian.
5. Concussion Form - Signed by athlete and parent/guardian.
6. Liability Waiver Form - Signed by athlete and parent/guardian.
7. Media Release Form – Signed by parent/guardian.
8. Steroid Abuse Form - Signed by athlete and parent/guardian.
9. Parent Consent Form – Signed by parent/guardian.
10. Code of Conduct Form – Signed by athlete and parent/guardian.
11. Sudden Cardiac Arrest Form - Signed by athlete and parent/guardian.
12. Student must maintain 2.0 GPA and pass at least 20 credits or the equivalent.
13. Student-Athlete Uniform Contract – Signed by athlete and parent/guardian.
14. Uniform Contract – Signed by athlete and parent/guardian.

C. PAID COACHES

Cheer coaches may be certificated or classified. Each school must enter a coach into the Principal’s Portal and submit a certified roster with a minimum of ten (10) athletes. Cheerleaders must participate in a minimum of seven (7) events each season between sideline cheer activities (participation at athletic events) and/or competitive cheer activities (participation in tournaments/competition). A Cheerleading Schedule must be submitted to the IAD for each season. (Attachment B).

II. FIELD TRIPS/COMPETITION

- A. “Application to Participate in a Competition/Tournament” (Attachment A) must be completed and on file at the school site at least 15 days in advance of the competition/tournament start date for a “local” competition/tournament, with authorization of school principal.
- B. Paperwork for an out-of-state competition/tournament or an overnight stay must be submitted to the IAD, Local District Administrator of Operations, and Risk Management at least 45 school days in advance of the competition/tournament start date, and must include approval from all departments before travel is allowed.



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C. Submit a request for “Letter of Self-Insurance” to Risk Management 45 school days prior to event to allow sufficient time for processing.

All approvals will be verified prior to processing the request and issuing a “Letter of Self- Insurance”.

D. No transportation will be provided for cheer competition/tournaments for the 2016-2017 school year. Sideline cheer participants may ride the bus with the athletic team they are supporting. If using a private automobile, refer to Bulletin 5310, Guidelines on Use of Privately Owned Vehicles for Authorized School District Business.

AUTHORITY: This is a policy of the Division of District Operations.

RELATED RESOURCES: Bulletin BUL-767.1, Participation in Extracurricular and Co-curricular Activities
Bulletin BUL-3732.0, Procedures for Collections of Funds at Secondary Schools
Bulletin BUL-3856.5, Guidelines for Supplemental Assignment Differentials
Bulletin BUL-5310.0, Guidelines on Use of Privately Owned Vehicles for Authorized School District Business
Bulletin BUL-6264.0, School Athletics
Bulletin BUL-6370.0, Selection and Supervision of Athletic Coaches
Bulletin BUL-6429.1, Athletic Rules and Regulations

ASSISTANCE: For assistance or further information, please contact the Interscholastic Athletic Department at (213) 241-5847.

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A: Application to Participate in a Sanctioned Tournament/Event
Attachment B: Cheerleading Schedule



LAUSD Interscholastic Athletic Department
APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A SANCTIONED
TOURNAMENT/EVENT

Applications must be received in the Athletic Department at least 45 days prior to the date of the tournament. If the tournament includes an overnight stay, or is out-of-state, applications must be submitted at least 45 days prior to the tournament and forms must also be submitted to the Local District Operations with approval from Principal and Risk Management on Form #34-EH-57 (Request for Field Trip/Excursion).

CIF Rated Officials must be used for all Contests.
All National Federation of State High School
Associations (NFHS) Rules must be followed.

1. Date of Application
2. Proof of Sanction
3. School Name
4. Tournament Name
5. Date(s) of Tournament
6. Host High School
7. Starting time
8. Tournament Director
9. Description of Awards
10. Type of Competition: Sport, Team, Individual, Level, Gender, Student Team

11. Signatures: Athletic Director
Principal
Name of Principal
School Address
City/Zip

We have read the Orange Book rules and CIF State Rules regarding tournament participation and agree to conduct ourselves in accordance and abide with those rules.

Los Angeles Unified School District
Interscholastic Athletic Department RECEIVED
Specialist:
Date:

Los Angeles Unified School District
Interscholastic Athletic Department
CHEERLEADING SCHEDULE

SEASON: _____

Fall Due Date: August 24, 2016

Winter Due Date: November 10, 2016

Spring Due Date: February 8, 2017

DATE:		NAME OF ACTIVITY/EVENT:	
LOCATION:		START TIME:	END TIME:
NUMBER OF CHEERLEADERS PARTICIPATING:			
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A MINIMUM OF SEVEN (7) ACTIVITIES MUST BE COMPLETED TO RECEIVE A RATE 4 STIPEND FOR EACH SEASON (USE ADDITIONAL FORMS AS NEEDED).

CHEER COACH SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

PRINCIPAL SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

FAX FORMS TO THE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT AT (213) 241-5846