

Ultimate Gymnastics invites you to join **GYMSTARS** our recreational **COMPETITION** team

Your child _____ has been invited to participate in the recreational competition team for the 2012-2013 season. This class is an alternative program to the Jr. Olympic Program. The Competitive Exhibition Team will have the opportunity to travel to local gyms to participate in gymnastics meets. We are excited to give the gymnasts a chance to compete on individual events based on their skill level. There will be approximately 4-6 meets throughout the year. Gym Stars practice in the summer on Mondays AND Wednesdays 4:30-6:30 and in the fall Mondays AND Wednesdays 6:00-8:00. Participation on this team provides the following...

1. A cubbie in the teamroom for each gymnast
2. A mail folder located under the stairs. This folder is where we will put mail for parents.
3. An invitation to participate in our yearly Jr. Olympic Compulsory Camp (June 21-23)
4. Invitation to the end of the year party and trophy ceremony

Fees and Tuition:

- Recreational Competition Team Leotard with matching hair scrunchie - \$58.85
- Competition Warm up Suit - \$96.30
- Competition Bag - \$32.10
- Meet Fees - approximately, \$200 per competition season
- AAU membership - \$20 per year

Facts about the Competition:

- The Recreational Competition Team is an alternate competitive program that is not part of the USA/AAU competitive program. Girls will have the opportunity to continue working on their Intermediate and Advanced skills, while participating in 4-6 local gymnastics meets.
- The exhibition style meets will occur in the Winter/Spring of 2013.
- Routines may be made up by the individual coaches in order to incorporate each gymnast's individual strengths.
- The Recreational Competitive Team (Gymstar) meets give your child the chance to compete on individual events based on their skill level. Gymstars follows a set of guidelines that are different from the standard Jr. Olympic teams. The last Exhibition Style competition had over 80 gymnasts.

Is this a Preteam?

No, this is not a preteam that leads into the Jr. Olympic Competitive Team. Please remember, the general purpose of the Recreational Competition Team is to offer an **alternate** to the Jr. Olympic Competitive Team. **1 out of every 25 gymnasts** who are on the Competition Exhibition Team are invited to join the Jr. Olympic Competitive Team. This is a very rare circumstance. Sometimes a gymnast on the Recreational Competitive Team may develop the skills, work ethic, & ability to join the Jr. Olympic Team. This happens due to the more structured environment and practicing twice a week. The Recreational Competition Team's goal is to provide the competition experience to gymnasts who do not have the skills, ability, strength, flexibility, or commitment required for the Jr. Olympic Competitive Team.

How is this different from the Ultimate Gymnastics Jr. Olympic Competitive Team?

- The Jr. Olympic Competitive Team (Levels 3-10) requires a long term commitment
- All gymnasts in the Jr. Olympic Competitive Program must practice year round. With the exception of 2 weeks of vacation during the summer.
- The Jr. Olympic Team's tuition ranges from \$180 per/month to \$300 per/month.
- Jr. Olympic Competition fees range from \$1000-\$2500 per year.
- Training for the Jr. Olympic team is highly competitive and physically demanding.

How to Register

All registration information is available online at ultimategymnastics.org. You will need to go under Teams, then under Recreational Competition Team, then Registration. The username is **ultgym1** and the password is **recteam**. Here you will find important information about the Recreational Competition Team (gymstars). It is important that you read all of the information. You will need to print and fill out the following documents and return them to the front office in order to register your child.

All registration must be completed BEFORE May 14th.

Things to print, fill out and return to front office:

- * 2012 Open Compulsory Release Form
- * Team Roster and Responsibilities Sheet
 - * Gym Membership Form (2 Pages)
 - * AAU Athletic Membership form

Fees Due at sign up:

- * AAU Membership fee (\$20)
- * Gym Membership Fee \$55
- * Summer Session \$300
- includes a 3 week session & summer camp

Things to Read

- * Gym Star Info Sheet
- * Camp Flyer
- * Fee Schedule
- * Team Manager Form
- * Mock Meet Memo