

I heard that All Ohio Shine is expensive? Is this true?

Most people consider competitive cheerleading and dance expensive. At AOS, we have spent many hours finding ways to save our athletes money. In comparisons with other gyms in Ohio that offer competitive cheerleading programs, we have found our program to be less than others in the surrounding areas. We will have a boosters program in place for raising funds for those that choose to take that route.

What to look for when you are comparing costs to other gyms:

- 1) Startup Fee - How much are you paying for the essentials. Uniform, Camp, Choreography, Shoes, Warmup, Bags, Etc.
- 2) Competition Fees - Are they included in your monthly tuition or monthly fees? Or do you have to pay for each individual competition? Some competition fees can range up to \$55 each.
- 3) Tumbling - Are you getting tumbling instruction included in your monthly fees?

Do I already have to be able to tumble to make a team on AOS? What if I don't know how?

Although some of our advanced teams require certain tumbling skills, many of our teams do not. Most cheerleaders in our program have and will learn all their tumbling at AOS and you can do the same!

Dance teams and stunt groups do not tumble at all.

What criteria is used when selecting teams?

There are lots of factors used in selecting team members (as with any tryout process). Generally, the largest factors involved with the team selection process are age, tumbling level (standing and running) and stunting level (abilities to fly/base or back different level of stunts). With dance teams we will certainly look at ability along with age.

There are also things involved in the tryout process that have very little to do with the athletes individually, such as, federation enforced team size limits or the number of tryout participants at any given USASF level, which will dictate sizes and types of teams created at AOS.