

Fraser Coast Cheer & Dance

Parent Code of Conduct

At Fraser Coast Cheer & Dance, we are committed to creating a positive, safe, and supportive environment for all athletes, coaches, and families. As a parent or guardian, your behaviour and support play a vital role in helping our athletes grow and succeed as a team and individual both on and off the floor.

By enrolling your child, you agree to the following **Parent Code of Conduct**:

1. Support & Encouragement

- Always encourage your child and their teammates with positive words and actions.
- Celebrate effort, progress, and teamwork — not just results.
- Allow coaches to coach, and athletes to focus on learning and performing. Parents are kindly asked not to remain in the gym area during classes as this distracts the athletes and disrupts classes.
- Always be supportive of your child's teams, their coaches and our club, this includes refraining from negative or inappropriate comments in conversation, on social media, and at training/events/competitions.

2. Respect for Coaches & Staff

- **Respect the decisions and instructions of all coaches and staff.** Changes may occur to routines and positions throughout the year. Coaches make these decisions in the best interests of the team as a whole.
- Direct all questions or concerns to the coach or studio management at an appropriate time, **away from athletes.**
- Refrain from speaking negatively about coaches, athletes, or the program in front of children or other parents.
- Please be advised that our studio is a **CLOSED STUDIO**. We want our athletes to perform their best in training. Having parents/siblings watching when some athletes are learning new skills, reduces their confidence. If they are distracted it increases the risk of mistakes and potentially leading to injury to themselves and/or others.

3. Respect for Athletes & Families

- Treat all athletes with respect, fairness, kindness, and encouragement.
- Be supportive of all families and teammates, fostering a community spirit.
- Avoid gossip, negative comments, or behaviour that may cause division.

4. Commitment & Responsibility

- Ensure your child attends training sessions, competitions, and performances as required, and facilitate your child being on time.
- Notify the studio promptly if your child is unable to attend.
- **Missing any training session 4 weeks prior to competitions** without a valid reason may result in removal from that competition and unfortunately no refund will be given.
- Support fundraising and team events where possible, as these benefit all athletes.

5. Behaviour at Events & Competitions

- Represent Fraser Coast Cheer & Dance in a positive manner with pride and professionalism.
- Show respect to officials, judges, other clubs, and event staff at all times.
- Refrain from using offensive language, aggressive behaviour, or unsportsmanlike conduct.

6. Communication

- Use respectful and constructive communication when raising concerns.
- Avoid hostile, confrontational, or disruptive messages — remember, we are all working towards the same goal.
- Follow the studio's communication channels and processes for queries or feedback.

7. Safety & Wellbeing

- Support the studio's policies regarding health, wellbeing, and safety.
- Encourage healthy habits such as good nutrition, rest, and a balanced lifestyle.
- Jewellery is NOT allowed at comps, and only limited jewellery allowed at training.
- Respect privacy and confidentiality of all athletes, families, and staff.
- Refrain from taking photographs/videos of athletes during classes unless otherwise advised OK to do so. This is in line with our Media Release policy and child safety and protection laws of some of our athletes.

8. Choreography & Music

- Respect the hard work of your coaches and choreographers.
- **Do not share, record, or post any choreography, music, or routines on social media** without written permission from Fraser Coast Cheer & Dance.
- All choreography and music remain the intellectual property of Fraser Coast Cheer & Dance.

Acknowledgement

I, _____, have read and agree to abide by the Fraser Coast Cheer & Dance Parent Code of Conduct. I understand that failure to follow this Code may result in disciplinary action, including being asked to leave the program (at the discretion of FCCD management).

Signature: _____ Date: _____