

## Scholarship Program Guidelines

Under the Program, select recipients may be awarded scholarships. Scholarships will be awarded to students attending or to be attending a public or private school in a city or town within Arizona

### Available Scholarships:

*Scholarships will be awarded on a first come basis.* There are no guarantees that a scholarship will be granted.

### Program Guidelines & Priorities:

- \* Seeking competitive cheerleaders with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities and participation in extracurricular school activities.
  - \* Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0, a total family annual income under \$75,000, and are not paying for any additional services at other sporting facilities including Arizona Element Elite.
  - \* Applicants must have the endorsement of 2 current all-star coaches at Arizona Element Elite on their application attesting they are a qualified fit for this scholarship program.
- Application deadline is ***May 15<sup>th</sup> prior to the start of the new cheer season, by 4:00 p.m.*** Late applications are not accepted.
  - Your current guidance counselor at the school you currently attend must sign application.
  - Applications must be legible. If the application cannot be read, it will disqualify the applicant.
  - Application should be completed by the cheerleader whenever possible. If under 13 years old, it is acceptable to have parental/guardian help.
  - This scholarship is awarded to only a small number of deserving athletes; so all recipients must demonstrate strong skill levels, positive attitudes and other attributes that would make them an excellent part of Arizona Element Elite.
  - Potential recipients must complete a skill evaluation and interview with the team coach for the season before being selected for the position.
  - Acceptance of this scholarship entails that the athlete is committed for the entire season. This season will tentatively cover May 20<sup>th</sup> through May 15<sup>th</sup> of the following year. If the scholarship recipient does not complete the entire season, they will be responsible for repayment of any scholarship funds awarded regardless of circumstances and will forfeit any further scholarship funds.
  - Recipients are required to participate in all-star cheerleading only at Arizona Element Elite during the season. Any other participation at another all-star gym **is not** permitted during the period of the scholarship. Any additional classes, open gyms, etc. at other all-star facilities must be approved by management at Arizona Element Elite prior to the event being considered.
  - This scholarship will cover up to \$4995.00 of your yearly tuition/Uniform and Competitions payments and fees. Each recipient will be responsible for all travel costs. This scholarship does not apply to Worlds or Summit. Should the recipient's team get the privilege to attend worlds or summit, those costs are to be paid for by recipient of the scholarship.
  - Arizona Element Elite will provide funds for the complete uniform set, excluding miscellaneous accessories; however, the uniform will be on a rental basis and must be returned at the conclusion of the season. Failure to return the uniform or extreme damage will result in additional out of pocket fees to cover the damages (Normal wear will be taken into consideration).

- At any time, Arizona Element Elite may adjust or eliminate scholarship funding due to issues such as unacceptable behavior or negative content on social media.
- Additionally, all recipients are responsible for upholding the conditions outlined below.
- If conditions are violated, all funds may be revoked and recipient will be held responsible for repaying all funds set forth by this scholarship fund.
- Recipients must attend all practices scheduled by Arizona Element for the Team you are assigned to. Only 3 excused absences for team and or tumbling practices will be allowed through the year, but recipient and Management at Arizona Element Elite and the coaches of the team must agree upon these circumstances.
- Recipients are required to attend all exhibitions planned by Arizona Element Elite, which will be discussed at a later date.
- Recipients are required to be at ALL competitions required for their team. This includes both in state and out of state competitions.
- Recipients must uphold a positive reputation within the gym and surrounding community. This includes but is not limited to: daily gym interaction, outside community portrayal, and social media exposure. Vulgar or poor representation will result in a meeting to discuss the continuation of the scholarship. Arizona Element Elite may then decide if the scholarship will continue.
- Negative remarks or poor behavior from family members or other related individuals could also result in the loss of scholarship funds, as decided by Arizona Element Elite.
- Recipients are required to participate in all fundraisers set forth by Arizona Element Elite throughout the Season. Recipient or family member(s) will also work booster events in order to lower the burden of the scholarship. Excess funds earned in booster or fundraisers will be given to the recipient in order to assist with travel and lodging expenses.
- Recipients are required to do 100 hours of volunteer work through Arizona Element Elite, as agreed upon by athlete and staff.
- Recipients must be present at all team events including team bonding and volunteer events.

If recipient is unable to meet any of these terms or attend any required events, they must discuss a clear plan with the Arizona Element Elite Management and coaches before the acceptance of the scholarship fund or at the release of the event date.

- Application must be received by a member of of the ownership team by May 15<sup>th</sup> at 4pm as stated throughout the application.

The applications will be reviewed and recipients selected by a committee consisting of volunteers from Arizona Element Elite. Should any answer not fit in the space provided, Please use a separate piece of paper.

Please submit any questions to: [contact@arizonelementelite.com](mailto:contact@arizonelementelite.com)

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2019

Illegible application will not be considered	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: (     ) _____ Email Address: _____
4.	Date of Birth:   Month                   Day                   Year                   Gender: _____
5.	What is the one skill you bring to cheerleading that differentiates you from the rest? _____ _____
6.	How long have you been a cheerleader? ____ Years
7.	A. What levels(s) have you competed at? _____ B. What position are you on the team? _____ Base, Back Spot, Flyer
8.	<b>(If your resume or activities sheet answers question 8, please attach and skip to Question 9.)</b> A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school: B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities: C. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:
9.	Name and location of School attending: Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript is required.
10.	List Family Gross Annual Income from your 2018 Income Tax Form 1040 Line #22: \$ <i>(If selected, recipients may be asked to verify annual household income is under \$75,000 by supplying pg. 1 of their 2018 IRS Income Tax Form)</i>
11.	Is your <u>parent or legal guardian</u> an employee/volunteer at Arizona Element Elite?   Yes _____ No _____  If your answer is 'yes' please answer blocks A below. If your answer is 'no' go to item 13.)
	A. His/her full name: _____
13.	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): <b>(Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.)</b> Name(s) : _____ Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home phone of parents or legal guardians: _____ Work phone: _____

**14. On a separate sheet please write an essay (250 - 500 words) answering the questions below:**

Describe how volunteer or community service has shaped who you are today and what community service has taught you. Also, discuss in your essay about any challenges or obstacles you have dealt with and overcome in life and how this will help you succeed in college and beyond.

**STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS**

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote Arizona Element Elite and their scholarship program. (Winner may waive photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

**Signature of scholarship applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/GUARDIAN ACCEPTANCE**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Parent/guardian (Athlete if over 18)

of \_\_\_\_\_ have read the Arizona Element Elite an RMRM LLC Company registration packet in its entirety. I understand the rules and policies described in the packet, and I agree to abide by these rules and regulations for the entire cheer season. I have also reviewed the rules and regulations with my cheer athlete, and she/he understands them and will abide by them as well. We understand that this packet may need to be modified based on developments throughout the year. These changes will be communicated and are not negotiable as the packet has the potential to evolve and improve. \_\_\_\_\_ **Initial**

I understand that this financial obligation is for the entire cheer season, which runs from May 20 through May 15 of the following year. I accept the financial responsibility for the cheer season in its entirety and understand all charges that accompany this acceptance. I understand that there are no refunds should we leave or are asked to leave the program regardless of the amount paid. I understand that should we leave and not complete the entire season, we will be responsible for repayment of any scholarship funds awarded regardless of circumstances and will forfeit any further scholarship funds. \_\_\_\_\_ **Initial**

I further acknowledge that should I pull my athlete, my athlete quits or, we are asked to leave the gym at any time after August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current cheer season, I will be responsible for a \$750.00 contract termination fee. This fee is to cover the costs of reworking the routine as well as choreographing the routine by our choreographer, re-registering the teams for competitions, and the added expense of the coaches having to have additional practices due to the athlete leaving. Your signature below is acceptance, and you therefore agree that his fee will be paid with the credit card you have on file within our Jackrabbit system. Further, any chargebacks related to the credit card involving this fee will still be due along with any fees associated with collecting the fee. I further understand that should my athlete quit or be removed from the team, the scholarship funds will be pro-rated to the day of quitting/termination and we accept the responsibility of any payments that may be due as a result of these actions. \_\_\_\_\_ **Initial**

In the event a dispute shall arise between the parties to this contract, the parties agree to participate in mediation in accordance with the mediation procedures of United States Arbitration & Mediation. The parties agree to share equally in the costs of the mediation. Should legal action occur in order to enforce or protect this agreement you agree should you not prevail, to reimburse RMRM LLC dba Arizona Element Elite all reasonable costs, necessary disbursements and attorneys' fees incurred in enforcing this Agreement. Should I have any issues, whether it is financial, personal, or gym-related, I will contact management immediately in order to avoid any undue stress or tension for my cheer athlete, the gym, or myself. \_\_\_\_\_ **Initial**

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Drivers License or Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR**

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support this application to Arizona Element Elite

Name of Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade School: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information (email and phone): \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Guidance Counselor:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY ARIZONA ELEMENT ELITE COACHES**

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support this application to Arizona Element Elite

Name Coach: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Coach:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Name Coach: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Coach:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Checklist**

- Application
- Essay
- Resume/Activity Sheet
- Guidance Counselor signature
- School Transcript
- All-Star Coaches signatures

**MAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO THE FOUNDATION AT:**

Arizona Element Elite  
c/o RMRM LLC  
6635 W. Happy Valley Road  
Suite A104-497  
Glendale, AZ 85310

**REMINDER:**

**The deadline for this application to be received is:  
May15th prior to the start of the cheer season 4:00 p.m. - NO EXCEPTIONS!**