



# Welcome!

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# RISING STAR GYMNASTICS, INC

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Rising Star Gymnastics. I am the Head Coach and Owner of Rising Star Gymnastics. We very excited about meeting you and your family. I have been in gymnastics since 1970 as a competitive gymnast, recreational coach, competitive coach with National Champions, USAIGC State Chairman, AAU State Technical Chairman, USAG Women's Jr. Olympic Program Level 10 Judge, Birthday Hostess, and a variety of other hats as a gym owner. I have been a gym owner since 1995 and thoroughly enjoy my time with the children and parents. I started ballet, tap, and jazz dance training in 1964 and choreographed 1,000's of routines. I have also worked with All-Star cheer squads competing on the east coast as well as various twirling squads. I came to Shawnee in 2008, excited about sharing this wonderful sport and my experience with you and the children.

Enclosed you will find all the necessary information you will need while participating in activities here at Rising Star Gymnastics. We have a variety of fun activities for all the children. Our staff is dedicated to making this a fun and safe learning environment for our students.

The last three pages of this packet contain a Rising Star Release Form, a Medical Form, an Emergency Procedure Form, Media Release, and Rules and Policies agreement which will need to be completed by the **student's parent/legal guardian**, and given to the staff. For insurance reasons, these forms need to be completed and signed prior to any students proceeding out to the gym floor. If you are a parent involved with Parent and Tot/Bright Stars, your name needs to be included on the Release Form as well since you will be out on the floor.

At Rising Star Gymnastics, we have rules which are for the safety of students and guests that attend all our programs. Please be aware of and abide by these rules. We are very proud of our facility and want it to be a pleasant experience for everyone.

If you have any questions while at this facility, our coaches or myself will be happy to assist you.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to work with you and your child. We look forward to making lasting memories for everyone. Don't forget to LIKE us on FaceBook!

Happy Flipping,  
Coach Debbie Simonson  
President/Head Coach, Rising Star Gymnastics

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Dear Student,

Thank you for wanting to try gymnastics, acro/tumbling or Warrior Class! We know you are going to have a fun time and learn lots of good things here at Rising Star Gymnastics. Your parents/guardians have been given an information packet which has all the rules and information they need to get you started. Some of the things, like your uniform should be your responsibility. When you come into class, you should be prepared to perform gymnastics or tumbling to the best of your ability and be willing to learn.

Some of the things we will be doing might be scary at first. Some things you may not be able to do on the first try. That's OK. We know you won't know how to do these things, that's why you are here. We will do our best to make you feel comfortable and safe while in the gym. It will be important that you listen to your coach for directions.

You will be learning about the equipment used in gymnastics and all the fun tricks we do. Some of them may even be the things you see on T.V. (or a variation of).

Your coach is very excited about having you in their class. You may see some friends you already know, and some new friends will be made. We want you to have a good time and remember always to be respectful of your fellow students and the gym and HAVE FUN!

See you in the gym!  
Coach Debbie

# RISING STAR GYMNASTICS, INC.

## ***Mission Statement***

Our mission at Rising Star Gymnastics, Inc. is to develop each individual's gymnastics potential in a safe and enjoyable atmosphere through positive reinforcement. We strive to help each child gain greater self-confidence and a more positive self-image.

## ***Class Objectives***

At Rising Star Gymnastics, our objectives are to provide a fun and safe learning experience for each of our students and parents. We strive to encourage learning, respect for oneself, and respect for others. Gymnastics provides reading readiness through perceptual motor skills for the preschool student - teaches children to be a member of a team/group, enhances motor development, coordination, poise, and agility. Gymnastics also increases self-confidence and allows the students to make new friends. It improves listening skills, and is FUN! Here at Rising Star Gymnastics, we follow the progression guidelines of the USAG.

As per USAG and AAU recommendations and for the safety of our students and staff, we do not communicate with students through any social media. If your child contacts us, we will respond through the parents.

## ***Parent Role***

At Rising Star Gymnastics, the parents are encouraged to provide positive support for their child and any other children in the program. For Parent and Tot classes, parents are expected to actively participate with the students learning experience. Questions are encouraged to aid in the development of their child. Parents are also expected to satisfy tuition payments on a timely basis. Any siblings or minor guests not in class are the responsibility of the parent while on gym property. Siblings for Parent/Tot classes are not allowed in class while in progress.

## ***Student Role***

Rules for the gym are provided and each student is expected to adhere to those rules for every student and guests' fun and safety while in the gym. Students are expected to come to the gym mentally and physically prepared for gymnastics class.

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**RULES WHILE AT THE GYM**

These rules have been established over many years of experience. Some are requirements for insurance purposes. We thank you ahead of time for abiding by these rules.

1. Only registered students or Bright Stars Parents are allowed on the gym floors. Waiting parents may stay in the waiting area or their car. Only one (1) parent for each Bright Star student allowed on the floor.
2. Please keep restroom clean and put trash in proper receptacles.
3. Parents are responsible for the actions of their children. Please keep awaiting siblings in the designated area. No child should be left without adult supervision, run through the building, or play in the bathroom(s)
4. Flash photography is strictly forbidden unless otherwise noted. Still pictures are allowed as long as the flash is off. Videotaping is allowed and encouraged.
5. **No running or tumbling in the reception area.** Waiting students should sit in the designated area while waiting for class.
6. Students should come into the gym ready to learn and on time.
7. Any student that may be ill and possibly contagious in any way is encouraged to stay home and take a make-up class. Makeup classes will be posted throughout the waiting area during the sessions.
8. Good manners are expected at all times with the coaches, staff, and guests of the gym.
9. Students **more than 10 minutes late will not be allowed in class.** Warm-ups are an essential part of their training and done in the beginning of class. They keep injury level at a minimum. A make up class can be done if class needs to be missed. If an emergency occurs and your child will be late, please call the gym and we will be happy to make arrangements for your child's class. 2 make up classes per session allowed.
10. We expect the students to attend all classes in the session. The only way progress will be seen is when the children attend class.
11. The waiting area is for everyone and each guest is responsible for cleaning up after themselves. Please keep the reception area as you come in, clear for guests needing assistance.
12. Students should be dressed for the sport of gymnastics: leotard and hair tied back for female students, shorts and tucked in shirt for male students or the male gymnastics 1 piece uniform. Bare feet for students. Parents in Parent and Tot classes should be dressed comfortably for the class, socks allowed for parents.
13. Street shoes should be kept in the cubbies and off the gym floor.
14. Please remember to update the gym any time personal information changes, ex: address, phone numbers, medical conditions of a student.
15. Alcohol is prohibited outside, around, or in the facility.
16. Absolutely no food or drink in the gym areas – water and other non-soda drinks are allowed and for sale for \$1 each. Snacks are also available in the waiting area for 50 cents. No gum allowed in the gym.
17. Students should have an adult with them when looking to purchase a leotard. **PRO SHOP CLOTHING AND LEOS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE and WILL HAVE THE CURRENT SHAWNEE TAX AMOUNT APPLIED. PLEASE BE SURE IT FITS BEFORE YOU BUY!**
18. If a student misses two (2) consecutive weeks of class, their spot in that class will open and they will lose their spot unless paid for ahead of time. Please contact the gym if there are extenuating circumstances.
19. **Tuition is based on a 5-month (approx. 18-19 week) session during the school year and divided by 5 for equal payments each month for monthly paying customers. (August – December and January – May). If you choose to make monthly payments, they are due AT THE FIRST CLASS OF THE MONTH. To keep costs down, we do NOT bill out monthly. Signs will be posted in the waiting area when tuition is due for monthly customers.**

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## Gym Attire

**Female Students:** Female students MUST be dressed in a leotard (any color and no skirts or belt type decorations) which can be purchased at Rising Star Gymnastics or purchased at any local supplier. Leotards cover the trunk of the body and can be worn with or without undergarments. For the older female students, a sports bra is recommended. When wearing with undergarments, they should be tucked underneath the leotard.

In gymnastics, we wear nothing on our legs or feet. The students do not need grips unless they are in a competitive program. Hair should be tied off the face. Longer hair can be pulled into a pony tail. If very long, hair sometimes gets caught and pulled during rolls. This length should be pulled up a second time as not to hurt the student. Braiding is fine. Hair that is put in buns, as dancers will do, can sometimes hurt the student's head when rolling on the floor or the beam. We try to avoid any hair styles that use excessive bulky rubber bands, clips, or bobby pins that can fly out of the hair. **Flat clips can be purchased at the local Dollar Store.** Jewelry and any other valuables should be left at home. Earrings are limited to posts only. Your child will be asked to remove any dangling or loose jewelry for their own safety. We can not be responsible for these items. The best thing is to leave them at home! Students with shorter hair should be able to use clips to keep bangs and side hairs off the face while on the beam and going upside down. If the student comes in without hair tied back, we will be happy to give them a rubber band during the class as a temporary fix.

**Male Students:** Male students traditionally wear the 1- piece trunk cover (singlet) and stirrup pant however, for the beginner level gymnast, elastic waist shorts or sweats and a T shirt are just fine. If hair is longer, male students must also find a way to keep hair off the face. Jewelry should be left at home. This includes necklaces and earrings. Rising Star Gymnastics cannot be responsible for valuables left at the gym.

**Students in gymnastics will be going all directions, including upside down. At no time do we want them to be blinded by hair or attire. Attire should be comfortable but not too loose as to fall off during any aspect of their training.** If unsure of attire, please see your child's coach and we will be happy to give you pointers for the next class. Students not dressed appropriately for the sport of gymnastics, will not be allowed to enter class and will need to take a make-up class. We have a small area in the waiting room of temporary leotards for students forgetting leotards. They can put them in the manager's office after use to clean and sanitize for the next student. **Please do not confuse this area with the leotards and other clothing that is for sale. You will be charged if a new leotard is used!**

Clothing and shoes should be stored in a cubby of choice in the waiting area, and not be left on the floor of the gym or waiting areas.

The gym cannot be responsible for items left in lockers or cubbies. Please keep valuables at home. Our Lost and Found is cleared out at the end of each session.

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## Class Description, Prices and Times:

Based on 1 class per week. Multiple classes/tuition discounts are available.

Beginner classes at Rising Star Gymnastics are divided by age then ability. Ages are divided in the following ways below. Note: Student must already be the assigned age before entering a specific class. If a student turns the next age within a session, they will be moved at the end of the next month provided openings are available.

Classes need a minimum of 4 per group to keep the class on the schedule and a maximum of 10 per group (tumbling and warrior classes exempt). **Refunds are not given for classes. Makeup classes are scheduled to be sure each student gets the proper class time.**

**Rising Star Gymnastics reserves the right to cancel/change any classes that do not meet the minimum student requirement.**

**Copper Bright Stars 2/3:** These students are ages **2/3 years old**. One adult parent/guardian is involved with the students in the Pre-School gym. Classes are 45 minutes long and include a 1- minute warm up. Cost for this class is \$275.00 per 5-month session or \$55 per month. Class prices are based on 1 class per week.

**Copper and Bronze Shooting Stars:** These students are **4/5 years olds** and participate in the Pre-School gym. This class is with a coach and divided by ability level. Class for these students is 45 minutes long and includes a 10-minute warm up. Cost for this class is \$275.00 per 5-month session or \$55.00 per month. Class price is based on 1 class per week.

**Copper/Bronze Rising Stars:** These students are **ages 6 and older beginner** gymnastics students. Once the groups are established, the coaches will split the students by ability and group them accordingly. Class time is 60 minutes. Cost for this class is based on 1 class per week. Cost for this class is \$345.00 per 5-month session or \$69.00 per month.

**Silver/Gold Super Stars:** These students are **intermediate** skill level gymnastics students **ages 6-18 years**. Coaches will evaluate these students prior to acceptance into this class. Once the group is established, the coaches will split the students by ability and group them accordingly. Class time is 90 minutes. Prices for this class are based on 1 class per week. Cost for this class is \$425.00 per 5-month session or \$85.00 per month.

**Tumbling:** These students primarily tumble and do not use the gymnastics equipment. This class has been established to assist the cheerleading and dance student with tumbling for competition. Students ages **6 years to 16 years**. Once the group is established, the coaches will split the students by ability and group them accordingly. Class time is 60 minutes. Price for class is based on 1 class per week. Cost for this class is \$345.00 per 5-month session or \$69.00 per month.

**Rising Star Warriors:** This class is a fast paced 45 minutes combining calisthenics, rope swings, wall climbs, jumping, rolling and many more fun activities through various obstacle courses. The class is designed for the boys and girls ages 4- 15 yrs. Standard gymnastics apparel is required for this class. Price for this class is \$55/mth or \$275.00 per 5-month session.

*Discounts are provided for siblings and additional classes to the 1 time per week.*

*Discount Examples: \$55.00 class 10% discounted to \$49.50*

*\$65.00 class 10% discounted to 62.10*

*\$85.00 class 10% discounted to \$76.50*

**If paying monthly, the session fee is divided by 5 for 5 equal payments in the main sessions August – December and January – May. Most scheduled holidays have been included in the tuition amounts, therefore no makeup classes are needed unless otherwise noted on the signs in the waiting room or the monthly newsletter.**

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### **Summer Sessions**

This schedule will run June and July. The students can sign up for the evening classes and the weekly camps that run Monday through Friday from 9-Noon. Signups are available beginning in May. Summer camps are for students ages 4 to 16, all levels. Cost is determined by age.

### **Gym Closings**

The gym closes throughout the year for holidays and inclement weather. Each year, a calendar will be posted to remind parents of the dates. You can check out the:

- ⇒ Outside the building information board
- ⇒ White Calendar board
- ⇒ Board of activities on the wall in the waiting area
- ⇒ Monthly Newsletters
- ⇒ Emails: [risingstaroklahoma@yahoo.com](mailto:risingstaroklahoma@yahoo.com)
- ⇒ Facebook posts (Rising Star Gymnastics – pick Shawnee)

If we need to close for weather, call the gym and a message will be on the gym phone and a message put on our Facebook page (Rising Star Gymnastics – look for the star and swirl logo). Inclement weather messages will be updated daily.

\*\*\*Note: For the competitive students, the private team parents FaceBook page will be updated for days closed.

### **Fall Registration**

Each year, we have a fall registration which is the beginning of August. New parents and students can visit the gym and get a tour of the facility. Times for registration will be posted on the internet and at the front door. We begin the fall session usually the beginning of August, in conjunction with the beginning of the school season.

If you are a returning student, we will review your prior registration forms for any updates you may have. For Session 2 beginning in January, all Session I students will get priority to classes then open classes are available for new students.

### **Skill Reinforcement Session (SRS)**

Our Skill Reinforcement Session is for active members only and schedule on Fridays from 6-7:30 unless other activities are scheduled. SRS is done during regularly scheduled sessions – August to May. Cost is \$15 per



participant. Gym attire is required for Skill Reinforcement Sessions. It's a great time for extra practice in the gym. You may purchase an SRS pass \$60 for 6 sessions (a small discount).

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## Birthday Parties

Birthday Parties at Rising Star Gymnastics are scheduled on Saturdays from: 1:00-2:30, 3:00-4:30, 5:00-6:30.  
For the summer, these times will be adjusted for the heat.

Parties consist of one (1) hour on the gym floor and a ½ hour for cake and presents. Rising Star Gymnastics does not provide any food or drink, however will provide paper products for the birthday child and their guests.

Parents may use the refrigerator and freezer to store any food and drinks they bring to the gym. Please remember to take all your leftover food and drink home. Rising Star Gymnastics is not responsible for left over items that may be eaten by hungry staff!

The students will participate in a fun gymnastics class including a 10-minute warm up, gymnastics skills using the parachute, artistic and rhythmic equipment and obstacle courses with the coach. These parties are for the children only. Parents with children ages 2 and 3 are allowed on the floor for supervision only and should have their name on the release form along with their child's.

Participants of Birthday Parties should come dressed accordingly. Dresses are not attire for a gymnastics birthday party. This time will be an introductory class of gymnastics. Each participant will be given a release form to be completed and turned in on the day of the party.

When you schedule your child's party, you will be asked various questions about the party. Our goal is to make this party, one your child will always remember.

Video taping of the party is allowed however flash photography is not allowed for the safety of the students participating.

We hope this time is a memorable time for you and your child and look forward to seeing them each year for their birthday.

### BIRTHDAY COSTS

\$175.00/15 guests (birthday child free)

\$10 each additional guest

Ages: 2-16 years

\$75/00 deposit required at time of scheduling

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## *Tuition Procedures and Makeup Classes*

### TUITION/PAYMENTS

Tuition is based on a 5-month session from August to May. Tuition may be paid monthly. **Session amount is divided by 5 for equal payments.** Some months may have fewer or more weeks, however the monthly payment remains the same. You will have certain days that you may have to do a make-up class. See the monthly newsletter or posted schedule in the waiting area.

Tuition and any other activities can be paid by cash, check, Paypal, Venmo, cash, or credit card. Payments made after seven (7) days late will receive a \$10 late fee. Returned checks are subject to a \$25 returned check fee and must be replaced within seven (7) days by credit card. Payments are to be given to the receptionist or dropped in the tuition box. More than two (2) NSF's will suspend student participation in our programs for 2 months or until the checks are made good.

Credit cards taken for tuition payments are: VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover. We do not initiate automatic debits or bill monthly to allow us to keep costs down. Paypal is available through our website for monthly payments or re-occurring payments. Venmo is another payment method. The code to go to our site is on the front door and the tuition box for your convenience.

We **do not** give refunds on classes however we will be happy to credit the payment to the following session only or toward another activity at Rising Star Gymnastics. Once a student has signed up for a class, their spot in that class is assured. We will be happy to change a class day and time to better suit schedules if an opening is available. Please do not ask us to put your child in a class time and day that is already full. It is not fair to those students already in that class. We keep the student teacher ratio for recreational classes to max 1:10 to create an environment for the fastest learning is possible.

### MAKE UP CLASSES

Make up class date and times are done during each session and are posted in the waiting area. **Students should not have more than two (2) make ups per session.** If more than two (2) are needed, we will review your class day and time to find a more suitable one that fits your busy schedule and is available. Summer vacation schedules need to be given to the receptionist so that students are not penalized for these days.

### TUITION DISCOUNTS.

Tuition discounts are 10%. They are given for a sibling(s) of an active student. If your child wants additional classes above what is normally scheduled, see the 2 day a week tuition discount.

### YEARLY INSTRUCTIONAL FEES

Yearly Instructional Fees are \$40 per student and paid **annually** on the anniversary of each student's enrollment. There is no discount on this fee.

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## Private Lessons

Private lessons are scheduled through a staff member. Some students may request privates for more time on a specific event or just for additional 'one on one' time in the gym. Privates are done during regular gym hours. They are for any student that wants to learn more gymnastics. As with all lessons, we take cash, checks, or credit cards for privates on the day of the private. For those students that are actively involved in one of our programs, or for a sibling of an active student, cost for privates is \$60 per hour or \$30 for one half hour ad 4/5 yr olds. PLEASE NOTE: **If you need to cancel and do not call the coach or email to cancel within 24 hours, you will be billed for ½ the private.**

To schedule a private, you will need to contact the staff member you would like (it doesn't have to be your child's coach) to do the private. They will check the gym calendar and their schedule to coordinate a date and time with you. At that time, you will need to discuss what your goals for that hour might be, ex: more bar or balance beam work, more practice of a back hand spring, etc.

Remember, privates are for additional time. They are not meant to replace your child's regular class participation. If you need to cancel a private, call the gym to let the staff member know. Continual scheduling and canceling of privates, will forfeit your privilege of having privates.

If you would like to schedule a private with your child and a friend (semi-private), the fee for the private will be evenly split between the two students. Each parent will be responsible for their portion of the private fee which is due the day of the private to: Rising Star Gymnastics.

Proper Rising Star Gymnastics gym attire is still required for a private lesson.

For students not actively in a program, a Rising Star Gymnastics release form must be completed and signed by a legal parent/guardian, prior to the student entering the gym area. Only one release needs to be on file, unless information on those forms has changed. **Only the legal parent/guardian can sign the forms.** Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, or family friends, cannot sign unless they have been given legal guardianship by the courts. Please do not ask us to make exceptions to this rule, it will void our insurance.

## CLINICS

Clinics are done throughout the year and posted on the wall and in the newsletter. They include skills as back hand springs or equipment mastery, ex: Dance on beam. See signups in the waiting area for Clinic information. Clinics are \$25 per attendee and are 60 minutes unless otherwise noted.

## Frequently Asked Questions

For some parents, this may be the first time they have been involved in gymnastics. Most people have seen gymnastics on television and know the basics of the sport. It's not just a female sport, and the boys love it once they get to play! We have equipment for the girls: vault, bars, beam, and floor and equipment for the boys, vault, pommel, high bar, parallel bars, rings, and floor. That's not to say the girls and boys can't use and learn fun things on all the equipment. We use trampolines for fun and training as well.

Throughout the years of coaching, I have been asked the same questions repeatedly of new moms and dads:

Why can't my child do a cartwheel? A cartwheel is made up of 2 moves, a handstand and a side twist. To perform this move, the student must be flexible in their hamstrings and shoulders as well as strong enough to hold their body in a handstand. Some students are naturally strong, while others are naturally flexible. We do strength and flexibility moves in our warm-ups to help when practicing a cartwheel. By the way, don't always assume the hand your child writes with will be the side they perform their gymnastics. Some students can perform skills on both sides!

Why can those younger kids do a 'back flip' and my teenager can't? A back hand spring is a strength move which requires lots of pushups, bridges, and handstands. The body ratio of a 6-year old is a lot different than a 16 year old. Weight and distribution of that weight can make a difference. As the students get older, they get more fearful and hesitate more. That's why it's easier (from a coach's standpoint) to teach it to a younger student. Boys learn it faster as well because they don't seem to be as fearful (speaking from 30+ years of coaching!)

Why isn't my son or daughter progressing as fast as the rest of the students in the class? For fear of sounding like your pediatrician, all students progress at their own rate. I know it's hard to not compare, but try! As long as they keep trying, they'll get it.

Why do the students do so many rolls? This move is a basic safety move that the students need for the higher-level skills. Like all skills in gymnastics, this skill has a skill set family of many other skills. This skill needs to be an automatic response skill where the student does it without thought. If over rotating on a piece of equipment, the student uses a roll process to land safely. Some other skills in this family are: hand stand forward roll, dive forward roll, back extension roll (back roll to handstand), front tuck (flip) with no hands, etc.

Why is my son/daughter scared? A student will sometimes get scared when they are asked to do things outside their comfort zone. That's why we are instructed to teach the students skill in succession or the part/whole method. By the time a student is asked to do a new skill, they have learned various parts of the skill and now need to put what they have learned, together. If they are still scared, we go back to basics until they are ready. Just remember, that high beam looks a lot higher when you are standing up on, it versus being in the stands!

My son or daughter needs to lose weight, will gymnastics help? Anything getting children moving is good for them. Good for you to recognize they need to exercise. The only unfortunate part of beginner gymnastics, is that the students don't get a lot of cardio exercise as they would playing field hockey or soccer. We concentrate on flexibility, coordination, and strength to perform the skills they need, safely. Watching their diet along with exercise is always a positive. If you need additional information, talk to your child's pediatrician.

Why can't I (the parent) go out and play too? Well, we would love for you to play too, however the insurance industry has our hands tied. After many years of research, they found that things 'break' easier as we get into our 20's, therefore we would void our insurance if we let adults on the equipment. Sorry dad, no rings for you!

How can I help my child at home? Spotting gymnastics at home can be very dangerous. The staff goes through extensive training so they don't get kicked or punched with flying hands and feet. At home, remind your child to stretch and stay limber. Whenever possible, work with them on their sit ups and push ups. I like to see mom or dad do twice as many as the kids. Make it a challenge for them! During the holidays, the gymnastics equipment manufacturers have sales on equipment to use at home or you can pick some home size equipment through Amazon. See your child's coach for the best piece of equipment for the level your child is working. Any home equipment ordered for Christmas can be kept at the gym until December 21.

Working with students all these years, my staff and I are still learning and enjoying each student's strengths and weakness. Don't worry mom and dad, they'll get it!

Coach Debbie

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### *Skill Evaluations*

Throughout the year, we will complete a skill evaluation/report card for your child.

In this process, we have your child attempt the skill called. The students are evaluated on a 3-point basis. A “1” means the child is unfamiliar with the skill/skill name. A “2” means the child is familiar with the skill name and will attempt it on their own. They may fall on occasion or need correction in their form (arms, legs, feet, etc). A “3” means they have the skill mastered and can do it correctly on each attempt. The goal of the student is to get 3’s at the level they are working. Once ‘3’s have been achieved, the student will then move up to the next class. When movement to the next class is needed, your child’s coach will put a note on the top of the evaluation to discuss their new class/time with you. We try to move the students at the beginning of each month. Additional comments may be made throughout the evaluation to help parents in understanding what is required to fulfill the necessities of that skill.

Once students have achieved all the skills in columns 1 and 2, they are ready for the intermediate level and will begin a 90- minute training class. From the intermediate class, students are chosen for the competitive program. Students must be at least 6 years old to enter into the competitive program.

After you have received your child’s evaluation to review, we ask that you return it to the reception area to be filed as a record on your child’s progress here at Rising Star Gymnastics.

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## GYMNASTICS LINGO

A Glossary of Terms is located at the entrance of the gym on the wall. Please pick one up on your visit to the gym.

## SKILL REINFORCEMENT SESSIONS, PARENTS NIGHT OUT, ETC.

Rising Star Gymnastics will be scheduling Skill Reinforcement Sessions (SRS) and various activities/clinics throughout the year. You will be notified when these activities are scheduled and are for members only. During Skill Reinforcement Sessions, the students are allowed to practice in the gym at their pace. Staff is available to assist on skills. This is not a time to learn new things, but to practice already taught skills. Students must be dressed for gymnastics when out on the gym floor for all activities. Any costs that are involved with SRS, Clinics, Parents Night Out, etc. will be posted at the gym.

We have 2 sessions throughout the gymnastics season from August to May, and a short summer session with camps in June and July. During the season, we put on a show for the parents in Session 1 and an Olympics in Session 2. Parents are invited into the gym where the students each perform a routine by themselves on the gymnastics equipment during their regular class time. The students are introduced to meet procedure, saluting the audience, and performing on their own. Videotaping is encouraged during this performance. You will not be asked to purchase any additional attire for this performance. Students are given participation awards for their hard work. In the summer, additional performances are scheduled with the competitive team participants. All gym members are invited to attend. Letters are distributed, signs put up in the gym, and emails are sent out to inform members of these various activities.

## PRO SHOP

Rising Star has leotards for sale on the wall in the waiting area. See a staff member for assistance when purchasing a leotard. **Leotards have tax are not refundable. They should be tried on prior to purchase. Pro Shop items are taxable.** Leotards are great gift ideas are available for special occasions, ex. Christmas, birthdays, etc.



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## GYM INFORMATION

Our Address: 1819 N Harrison Ave, Suite #4 Shawnee, OK 74804

Check out our website at: [www.rsgymnasticsok.com](http://www.rsgymnasticsok.com) OR FaceBook for the most updated information.

Classes are strictly dependant on enrollment and can be added or deleted at any time.

We can be reached through our email: [risingstaroklahoma@yahoo.com](mailto:risingstaroklahoma@yahoo.com) or through gym phone at: 405-273-1068, Coach Debbie Cell: 405-589-2640.

For current gym updates, check us out on FaceBook: rising star gymnastics (look for the Shawnee Rising Star Logo)

# RISING STAR GYMNASTICS

## PAYPAL and Venmo SET UP

### Paypal

1. <https://rsgymnasticsok.com>
2. Pay online button top right
3. Choose Returning Student
4. You will get five options down the left side: Monthly Auto Pay, Class Session, One Time Monthly Payment, Annual Instruction Fee, or Custom Payment Amount.
5. Choose class (down arrow to your child's class) Note amount.
6. If you have a sibling or multiple class discount, pick the Custom Payment Button.

The gym will receive an email as you make your payment and receive a monthly statement from PayPal to confirm. **Please note the student's name** on the payment if your last name is not the same as the student for proper credit. **Set us up as Friends and Family to help offset fees.**

For monthly payments, payments are due the first class of each month.

### Venmo Payments

For Venmo payments our Venmo account is @risingstargymnastics

**RISING STAR GYMNASTICS STUDENT RECORD**

CLASS

DAY

TIME

START DATE:

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STUDENT

ADDRESS

CITY/STATE/ZIP

BIRTHDATE

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PHONE 1

PHONE 2

EMAIL

PARENT 1 FULL NAME

PARENT 2 FULL NAME

PHYSICIAN

DENTIST

Medical issues:

Experience

How did you hear about us:

Payment Amount	For Rising Star Gymnastics Use:					pro rate: y/n	EPIC # card created y or n
	venmo	paypal	EPIC				
	credit	check	cash				

**RISING STAR GYMNASTICS, INC 1819 N HARRISON AVE, SHAWNEE, OK 74804 405-273-1068  
ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE, INDEMNIFICATION, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE**

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_ by and between

RISING STAR GYMNASTICS INC., an Oklahoma Corporation (Gymnastics) **and**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent or Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address/City/State/Zip)

**IN CONSIDERATION OF GYMNASTICS ALLOWING THE HEREINAFTER-NAMED MINORS TO PARTICIPATE AND /OR ENROLL IN A PROGRAM AND/OR TO USE THE EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES OF GYMNASTICS AND FOR THE OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, THE UNDERSIGNED, INTENDING TO BE LAWFULLY BOUND, HEREBY COVENANT AND AGREE AS FOLLOWS:**

**1. CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORITY** I/We, the undersigned, hereby warrant that **I/we are the custodial parent(s) and/or lawful guardian(s)** of the hereinafter-named minor child(ren) and have lawful authority to make and execute this agreement for myself/ourselves for and in behalf of the hereinafter-named minor child(ren) (PLEASE PRINT):

Student's Name	Birth-date	Address	Phone
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<b>***Parent/Guardian's Name (Parent/Tot classes only)</b>			

**2.ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK**I/We hereby acknowledge that I/We are aware that the above-named minor(s) will be engaging in physical exercise and activities involving various gymnastics and acrobatic equipment and facilities, coordination events, fitness training, and sports which inherently and in their very nature could cause serious injury to such minor(s). Fully recognizing the potential risks, I/We hereby assume all risks that such injury(s) might result.

**3.WAIVER AND RELEASE** - I/We hereby waive any and all claims, past, present, or future, known or unknown or any kind or nature, for personal injury (including death) arising out of or connected with the hereinabove-named minor(s) participation at Gymnastics' facilities (or elsewhere in Gymnastics' control or supervision), and I/We hereby release Gymnastics' it's officers, directors, agents, and employees from any and all such claims.

**4. COVENANT NOT TO SUE** - I/We hereby covenant and agree not to sue, nor to assist any other person or legal entity, in suing Gymnastics, its officer, directors, agents, and employees or on account of any such claim described in paragraph N. 3 above.

**5. INDEMNIFICATION** - I/We hereby covenant and agree to hold harmless and indemnify Gymnastics, its officers, directors, agents, and employees described in Paragraph N. 3 hereof made by or on behalf of any person or legal entity including court costs, expert witness fees, and reasonable fees.

**6.ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NO PHYSICAL EVALUATION BY GYMNASTICS** - I/We hereby acknowledge that Gymnastics will make no evaluation or recommendation as to whether or not the hereinabove-named minor(s) is/are physically fit of any exercise activity, and that if such minor (s) have any physical condition that may impact upon his/her/their ability to engage in these activities, and/or which condition may be aggravated or exacerbated by these activities, it is my/our responsibility to obtain a physician's statement describing any limitation to participate in the programs, activities, and/or to make use of the equipment and facilities. I/We further acknowledge that it is always advisable to consult with a physician prior to allowing said minor (s) to undertake any physical exercise program.

**7. SEPARABILITY** - If any section, paragraph, sentence, or clause of the Agreement is determined or declared to be invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

**8. BINDNG EFFECT** - This agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto, their administrators, successors, and assigns.

**9. GOVERNING LAW** - This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Oklahoma notwithstanding the fact that one or more parties may now or later become a resident of another state.

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Authorized Agent for Rising Star Gymnastics, Inc.

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Date

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Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### ***GYM EMERGENCY PROCEDURES***

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RISING STAR GYMNASTICS has adopted the following procedures in caring for your child when he/she becomes sick or injured at the gym:

In case of emergency and need of medical or hospital care:

1. The gym will call the first cell phone number provided. If there is no answer, the gym will call any additional phone numbers provided, and the physician.
2. If none of the above answer, the gym will call an ambulance to transport the child to a local medical facility.
3. Based upon the medical judgment of the attending physician, the child may be admitted to a local medical facility.
4. The gym will continue to call the parents, guardians, or physician until one is reached.

If I cannot be reached and the gym employees have followed the procedures described above, I agree to assume all expenses for moving and medically treating this gymnast. I also consent to any treatment, surgery, diagnostic procedures or the administration of anesthesia which may be carried out based on the medical judgment of the attending physician.

I have read and understand the rules and policies for Rising Star Gymnastics, Inc. I am aware that some of the rules include:

1. Refunds for any activities at Rising Star are not given, but credited to the next session or another Rising Star activity.
2. Returned checks are subject to a fee and must be replaced within seven (7) days.
3. Parents are responsible for the actions of their children while in the facility. Children are not allowed to run through the building or play in the restrooms.
4. Videotaping is allowed however flash photography is not.
5. Students should be dressed appropriately and be on time for gymnastics.
6. Students should be ready and eager to attend class and respectful of all guests and staff of Rising Star Gymnastics.

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**\*\*\*Parent/Custodian Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### **PHOTO/SOCIAL MEDIA RELEASE:**

In further consideration of my child's participation at Rising Star Gymnastics, Inc, the gym can use photo and name in social media and print. Social media includes but is not limited to: Rising Star Gymnastics web site, Rising Star Gymnastics FaceBook page, Monthly newsletter, Local newspapers including the Shawnee News-Star, Shawnee School Activities, Brochures, Hand-outs, etc.

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**\*\*\*Parent/Custodian Signature**

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Date