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STARS VIPERS KATY

26-27 PREP TEAM INFORMATION



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WELCOME TO STARS VIPERS KATY



As we begin our 9th season for 2026–2027, we are proud to welcome you to the SVK family. To our returning athletes, thank you for your continued trust and commitment. To those joining us for the first time, welcome—we are honored that you have chosen to be part of something bigger than a team.

At SVK, you are not just joining a gym—you are stepping into an experience defined by elite training, intentional coaching, and real relationships. This is a place where athletes are challenged, supported, and inspired daily. We are built to compete at the highest level and, just as importantly, we are designed to ensure every athlete feels a true sense of belonging. Every moment—from practice to team connection—is purposeful and impactful.

Our goal is to develop strong, competitive teams while building confident, resilient athletes. We recognize that every athlete's journey is unique, and our coaching staff is committed to guiding, pushing, and supporting them every step of the way.

Thank you for choosing Stars Vipers Katy. We are honored to have you with us and look forward to a season filled with growth, connection, and unforgettable moments that extend far beyond the mat.

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TRYOUTS

PART 1 INDIVIDUAL TRYOUTS

Register online at www.starsviperskaty.com
Athletes must register online before attending tryouts.

PRE-SEASON TRYOUTS

(Tryout early and receive a free SV T-Shirt)

- April 18th
- 9:00am - 12:00pm

Pre-Season tryouts are an optional opportunity for early evaluation and placement into level-based tryouts (Part 2).

Athletes who attend will not be required to attend individual tryouts (Part 1) on May 6th, 7th or 9th.

INDIVIDUAL TRYOUTS

Choose One Date:

- May 6th 7:00pm-9:00pm
- May 7th 7:00pm-9:00pm
- May 9th 10:00am - 2:00pm

All athletes are required to attend tryouts, either pre-season or part 1 of tryouts.

Athletes will select **one date to attend**.

Tryouts are approximately **one hour long**, and athletes **may arrive at any time** within their selected tryout window.

Athletes will receive an email on May 10th with the date and time for their assigned Level-Based tryout (Part 2).

PART 2 LEVEL-BASED TRYOUTS

Athletes will receive an email on May 10th with the date and time for their assigned Level-Based tryout (Part 2).

- May 11th-May 17th
- Exact days and times will be sent by email on May 10th

This part of tryouts will focus on stunts, tumbling, jumps, and how well athletes perform skills with proper technique and consistency.

PART 3 GROUP-BASED TRYOUTS

Athletes will receive an email on May 18th with the date and time for their assigned Group-Based tryout (Part 3).

- May 19th-June 4th
- Exact days and times will be sent by email on May 18th

This part of tryouts will focus on tumbling, jumps, stunting, and overall team dynamics, with an emphasis on consistency, precision, and execution.

PART 4 TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Athletes will receive an email on June 6th with their team placement and assigned practice dates and times. Team names will be revealed at the first practice on June 7th. Please note: Team placements may be adjusted throughout the season to best support each athlete's growth and overall team development.



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TEAM PRACTICES

PREP TEAM PRACTICES

Prep teams are required to practice between 4-6 hours per week, with athletes expected to attend all practices. Joining the Stars Vipers prep program entails a year-long commitment, where athletes are expected to prioritize their participation and fully commit to attending all scheduled practices.

EXTRA PRACTICES

Extra practices are sometimes necessary throughout the season. We typically schedule extra practices well in advance and attendance is mandatory. Please keep schedules flexible in the months of February, March, and April due to routine upgrades with choreographers which may require additional/extended practices.

TEAM PRACTICE ATTENDANCE POLICY

Athletes are expected to attend ALL practices. We encourage participation in school cheer and will do our best to schedule team practices that do not conflict with school cheer. Time management is important, and commitment to the team during scheduled practice times has to come first. Last-minute absences due to illness must be communicated directly to the coaching staff, who will determine whether the absence is approved. Please notify us of any vacation plans by emailing absences@starsviperskaty.com **Please do not plan vacations during the competitive season unless there is a gym closure.** We value your time and want to make sure all practices are productive.

Email absence requests to absences@starsviperskaty.com

Absences for other school sports, club sports, birthday parties, schoolwork, etc., are not permitted.

BLACKOUT PRACTICES

Athletes must be available for extra practices during the two weeks prior to any rally or competition, if needed.

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COMPETITION INFORMATION

The competition schedule will be available in August 2026. End-of-season events are included in the competition schedule.

STAY TO PLAY

Most out-of-town competitions are STAY TO PLAY, which means STARS VIPERS will provide a room block with the required booking company. ALL athletes are REQUIRED to stay in the STARS VIPERS room block.

TRAVELING TO OUT-OF-TOWN COMPETITIONS

TRAVEL DAYS will always be BEFORE the competition day and NEVER the same day as the competition. Some competitions may require a Friday arrival which means athletes will miss a day of school and parents will miss a day of work. NCA and any out-of-town competitions will require a 7:00pm arrival time the day before the team competes for a team practice.

- Most competition venues require spectators to pay parking and entry fees. These fees vary.
- Athletes are required to be at all awards ceremonies, dressed in full uniform.

RALLIES AND GRAND RALLY

Rallies are in-house performances held before the competition season where friends and family can watch teams perform sections of their routines and see their progress.

Grand Rally is the final rally before competition season, where each team performs their full routine to celebrate their hard work and prepare for competition.

COMPETITION AND RALLY ATTENDANCE POLICY

There are no absences permitted for Rallies, Competitions, or during the week of any scheduled performance. Full team attendance is required. All athletes are expected to arrive on time, fully prepared, and in proper attire, ready to perform.



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TUMBLING SKILLS BY LEVEL

LEVEL 1

STANDING TUMBLING

- Back Walkover
- Back Walkover Switch Leg

RUNNING TUMBLING

- CW-BWO Series
- FWO-CW-BWO
- Round-Off

LEVEL 2

STANDING TUMBLING

- BWO-BHS Step Out-BWO
- BWO Switch Leg BHS

RUNNING TUMBLING

- Bounder/Flyspring
- FWO-RO-BHS/BHS Series

LEVEL 3

- Not applicable to SVK Prep Teams

LEVEL 4

- Not applicable

LEVEL 5

- Not applicable

LEVEL 6

- Not applicable



FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

The Stars Vipers Katy Prep All-Star Program is a 12-month program. Fees will begin upon tryout sign-up of 2026 and continue through the end of April 2027. All families are required to maintain a current, valid credit card on file, which will be used for all escrow payments. See below for an explanation of escrow fees. Escrow fees will be charged twice a month on the 1st and the 15th of each month.

ESCROW FEES

Escrow fee #1 will be charged upon tryout sign-up.

May 2026 - March 2027	
1 st of the Month	\$199.00
15 th of the Month	\$199.00
April 1, 2027	\$240.00

Escrow fees include:

- *Monthly tuition
- *Stunt skills camp
- *Music fees
- *Choreography fee
- *Nationals apparel
- *Food catering for choreography
- *Competition bow
- *Coaches fees
- *Competition fees
- *End of season fees

All fees and pricing are subject to change at any time due to factors beyond our control, including but not limited to supplier costs, facility expenses, and broader economic conditions. We will make every reasonable effort to provide advance notice of any pricing adjustments.

ADDITIONAL FEES

May 17, 2026

\$161.00-\$250.00

Practice Wear & Jersey Uniform Cover-Up
(Varies for returning & new athletes)

June 15, 2026

\$275.00

Action Spirit Camp
Designated prep teams only

July 12, 2026

Approx. \$560 + tax/shipping Program
Uniform
(paid directly to Varsity)

October 1, 2026

\$75.00-\$150

Team Bling Warm-Up Jacket
(Varies per team)

August 1, 2026

Approx. \$49.00

2026 USASF Athlete Membership
(Paid directly to USASF)

DISCOUNTS

SIBLING DISCOUNT

\$50 off 2nd athletes tuition portion of escrow fees
\$100 off 3rd athletes tuition portion of escrow fees

MILITARY DISCOUNT

10% off the athletes tuition portion of escrow fees.

As a veteran-owned company, SVK proudly honors our veterans by offering this discount to athletes whose parents or caregivers served in the military.



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IMPORTANT DATES

MAY 2026 May 10–Mother’s Day (Closed) May 17–Practice Wear Payment Due May 17–Practice Wear Fitting (Mandatory) May 23 to 25–Memorial Day (Closed)	JUNE 2026 June 14–Uniform Fitting (Mandatory) June 21–Father’s Day (Closed) June 26–Prep Viper Stunt Camp (Mandatory) June 29 to July 5–4th of July (Closed)	JULY 2026 June 29 to July 5–4th of July (Closed) July 12–Uniform Payment Due (Paid to Varsity) July 18 & 19–Action Spirit Camp - Elite Teams and Designated Prep Teams (Mandatory) July 20 to 31–Prep and Possible Youth Elite Choreography (Mandatory)
AUGUST 2026 Aug 1–USASF Fee Due	SEPTEMBER 2026 Sept 5 to 7–Labor Day Weekend (Closed) Sept 19–Labor Day Make-Up Extra Practice-All teams (Mandatory) Sept 20–Rally 1 (Mandatory)	OCTOBER 2026 Oct–Team Bling Warm-up Payment Due Oct 11–Fall Break (Closed) Oct 24–Fall Break Make-Up Extra Practice-All Teams (Mandatory) Oct 25–Rally 2 (Mandatory) Athletes are expected to attend practices during the week of Oct. 12-16.
NOVEMBER 2026 Nov 14–Extra Practice-All teams (Mandatory) Nov 15–GRAND RALLY (Mandatory) Nov 21 to 28–Thanksgiving (Closed) Nov 29–Practice Resumes (Mandatory)	DECEMBER 2026 Dec 5–CenterStage Photos (Mandatory) Dec 5–Extra Practice - All teams (Mandatory) Dec 18 to Jan 2–Christmas Break (Closed)	JANUARY 2027 Jan 3–Practice Resumes (Mandatory) Jan 9–Extra Practice - All Teams (Mandatory)
FEBRUARY 2027 Feb 27–Extra Practice-All Teams (Mandatory)	MARCH 2027 Mar 6 to 12–Spring Break (Closed) Mar 13–Spring Break Make-Up Extra Practice-All Teams (Mandatory). All athletes must be back from Spring Break vacations to attend practice March 13 th . NCA is the next weekend!	APRIL 2027 End-of-Season Events. Details will be provided at a later date. (Mandatory) Please expect additional weekend practices when teams are not competing. (Mandatory)

LEGEND:

- Closed Payment Due Event / Extra Practice (Mandatory)

IMPORTANT POLICIES:

- All rallies, competitions, and designated practices are mandatory. No absences permitted. (Mandatory)
- Blackout Dates: Two weeks prior to Rallies and Competitions. No absences permitted. (Mandatory)
- Payments must be made by listed due dates.

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STARS VIPERS LOGO USAGE AND GUIDELINES

Guidelines for the usage of Stars Vipers logos have been established to help achieve the consistent visual branding identity. It is only through consistent and correct usage of our logos that we can strengthen and protect our trademarks.

Stars Vipers Name and Logo Usage

All Stars Vipers logos, name, team names, music lyrics, and brands are protected and trademarked. All spirit wear items are to be purchased through the Stars Vipers pro shop or approved vendors. Any merchandise featuring an identifiable Stars Vipers icon, any form of the gym name (including abbreviations), team names, or slogans that is not purchased through the pro shop or approved vendors is not permitted. Anyone who attempts to independently sell or give away items with the Stars Vipers logos or imitation logos will be in violation of our policy. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Cox at Denise@starsviperskaty.com.

Team Gifts

All spirit gifts must be acquired from SVK or an authorized vendor, with special pricing available for team gifts. Any wearable item that is given to a team must be approved by SVK. This guideline excludes consumable goods, such as cakes, cookies, etc. For any ideas for spirit gifts that aren't apparel, please contact Denise for approval. Parents should not be approached by others for gift-related funds. If parents or a group voluntarily choose to donate a gift to the entire team, they are financially responsible. Stars Vipers has dedicated effort to cultivate its distinct brand; therefore, please seek approval before featuring the logo, team names, or team slogans on any spirit item.

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FUTURE HOME

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