

Ramettes Frequently Asked Questions

What are the orientation and uniform fitting events, and are they mandatory?

The Ramettes orientation is the first official event of the Ramettes. It's where team members get to meet their coaches and their fellow group members. It's also a chance for parents to get an in-depth introduction to the program. The Ramettes uniform fitting is where team members will have their measurements taken for their uniforms.

Attendance at both of these events is mandatory, but other arrangements can be made if you have a schedule conflict.

Where is this money going?

After expenses (coaches' wages, facility rental, etc.) are covered, proceeds from the Ramettes program help fund the CSU Spirit program, specifically the cheerleaders, Golden Poms dance team, and CAM the Ram mascot. These funds will help pay for uniforms, equipment, travel, food, and insurance.

Why is there a separate uniform fee?

The Ramettes will be wearing high quality cheer/dance uniforms for the 2010-11 season. These uniforms will resemble those worn by the Colorado State University spirit squads with Ram logos and green and gold colors. Unfortunately our tuition fees do not cover the cost of uniforms. However, it is our intention to order uniforms once every two years, meaning team members returning next year will only be required to pay a nominal uniform fee. Team members will be able to keep their t-shirts and shoes at the end of each year, but must return the uniforms, bags, and poms. This will be covered in-depth at the orientation on August 24.

How do I get into CSU Rams games to see my child perform?

For each performance at CSU (Hughes Stadium and/or Moby Arena) each team member will receive one ticket for complimentary admission to the event. Family and friends wishing to watch the performance will need to purchase a ticket to the event. Discount group tickets will be available for team members' family and friends.

For other performances, family and friends admission will depend upon the event and whether the event charges for admission.

Are there any refunds?

There will not be any refunds. Please discuss with Dawn Burton if there are any problems that arise, as we want this to be an outstanding experience for all Ram involved!

At what other types of events will the Ramettes perform?

In addition to CSU Athletics events, the Ramettes will also perform at other community events such as festivals, carnivals, and parades. There may also be opportunities to perform at professional sports venues, such as the Pepsi Center (based on schedule availability).

Who are the Ramettes instructors?

The instructors/coaches are current CSU cheerleaders and Golden Poms dancers, under the direction of Dawn Burton. The cheerleaders and Golden Poms are selected for Ramettes positions after going through an interview process. You will meet this great group of coaches at the orientation on August 24. Each group will be assigned their own coach (possibly coaches depending on the size of the group). These coaches will be responsible for instruction and development of the group. They will be at every practice and performance. Your child will get to know, and have a CSU cheerleader or Golden Pom as her own coach!

Why are practices are closed to spectators and why do I have to sign in and out my child?

In order to ensure the safety of each team member we will be practicing in a secure location. In order to keep the gym a secure location, we must exclude spectators from coming and going. Each team member will be required to be signed into/out of every practice. Parents/guardians will provide a list of adults authorized to drop off and pick up their child. There are no exceptions on this policy.

Can I be a team mom?

Absolutely! Please contact Dawn Burton (dawn.burton@colostate.edu) and she will get you arranged to be a team mom. Each group will be have a team mom assigned to them. The team mom will help the coaches plan group activities and post-practice snack schedules.