



CLR Sparkle Squad

A One Of a Kind - Cheerleading Squad

The Crystal Lake Raiders Sparkle Squad is a special needs cheerleading and pom squad for girls and boys with any form of intellectual, behavioral, medical, and / or physical disability, who would love to cheer.

The Sparkle Squad offers friends, fun, music, dancing, cheering, and the opportunity to perform at Crystal Lake Raiders youth football games and two local cheerleading competitions where they strive to achieve a bid to the IRCA State Championships. The special needs squad is a wonderful opportunity for girls and boys from 5th through 12th grade with various abilities to participate in an exciting sports program while experiencing growth in self-confidence, social skills, flexibility, motor skills and much more.

The Crystal Lake Raiders welcomes any child regardless of their special needs ability and hopes to provide full scholarships to its families who are not able to afford the registration fee to have their child participate.

The Cheer Program

Sparkle Squad participants can expect to practice one evening a week on Thursdays, (6:30-8:00pm) starting the end of July, and then switching to a little earlier, Thursdays (6:00-7:30) from early September through the end of the season (first week in December).

We also cheer at one football game a weekend (Saturday afternoons) during the regular season. Practices are held outdoors during August and will typically move indoors in early September. An adult is required to stay with every Sparkle Squad member during practices, games and competitions.

Registration for the 2017 Season is currently open and will close on August 1st, 2017

Crystal Lake Raiders Youth Football & Cheer Program

If you are interested in more information or have any questions about the Sparkle Squad, we would love to hear from you.

Please feel free to email

sparkle@clraiders.net.

Also, feel free to pass on our information to other families that you feel would benefit from our program.

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Sparkle Facts:

- Crystal Lake Raiders Sparkle Squad enters its 13th season in 2017.
- In 2016, Sparkle Squad consisted of twelve girls and achieved their 9th consecutive Illinois Recreational Cheer Association State Championship title!

Crystal Lake Raiders Sparkle Squad is a self-funding program. Funded through the generosity of our Sponsors and by Crystal Lake Raiders Youth Football & Cheer Program and Crystal Lake Raiders Board Members. Past Sponsors include

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