

Champion Boosters, Inc. Membership Handbook

2026–2027 Season

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Welcome

Welcome to Champion Boosters, Inc.! We are the parent-led nonprofit that supports the Champion Gymnastics competitive team. Our goal is to help families understand what the Booster Club does, what membership includes, and how we all work together to support our athletes throughout the season.

Champion Boosters raises funds to support gymnastics at the local, state, regional, and national levels. While we work closely with All About Kids (AAK), Champion Boosters is a separate nonprofit organization run by parent volunteers. The Booster Club supports competitive team expenses, but it does not control AAK policies, tuition, staffing, or gym operations.

Competitive gymnastics is exciting—and expensive. Through fundraising, volunteering, and fair-share contributions, Champion Boosters helps reduce the financial burden of competition and provides support that benefits the team as a whole.

At a Glance

Important Item	Key Details
Annual membership fee	\$50 per gymnast, due July 1
Fair-share contribution	Amount is based on your gymnast's competitive level (see chart below)
Installment due dates	Aug. 10, Sep. 10, Oct. 10, Nov. 10, Dec. 10, Jan. 10
Volunteer requirement	In-house meets: 1 session per gymnast (max 2 per family); Derby Classic: 3 sessions per gymnast (max 5 per family)
Missed volunteer session	\$150 donation per missed session
Booster Club fiscal year	June 1 through May 31

What Champion Boosters Does

Champion Boosters helps support the competitive season for Champion Gymnastics athletes. Depending on approved budget and available funds, support may include:

- Meet registration fees for individual and team competition
- Coaches' travel expenses, session fees, and annual USAG fees
- Judges' expenses for practice or feedback sessions
- Coach education and certification expenses
- Camp and clinic support for approved team opportunities
- Season-end awards, banquet support, and selected team activities

Who Pays for What?

The table below is designed to make it easier to see which competitive expenses are typically handled through Champion Boosters and which are handled directly through All About Kids.

Champion Boosters, Inc.	All About Kids (AAK)
Meet registration fees (individual and team)	Monthly tuition (this pays for practice time and coaches' regular salaries)
Coaches' travel expenses (hotel, mileage, airfare, per diem) and session fees	Competition apparel ordered through AAK (competition leotards, practice leotards, warm-ups, backpacks, t-shirts)
Judges' expenses and hourly rate for practice meets and feedback sessions	Champion Gymnastics competitive team summer camp
Coaches' continuing education, including regional and national conferences, and annual coach USAG fees	Champion Gymnastics competitive team fall clinic
End-of-season banquet attendance for gymnasts and coaches, team awards, and individual gymnast trophies	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; color: red;"> AAK remains fully responsible for its own policies, operations, fees, and decisions; AAK does not vote on Booster Club decisions </div>
Coaches' attendance at camps/clinics to support athletes (travel, lodging, per diem, daily rate)	
Team activities, celebrations, or outings when approved by the Board and funds allow	

Important Note About USAG Membership

Every competitive gymnast must have an active USA Gymnastics (USAG) membership in order to participate in USAG-sanctioned events and be registered for meets. Registering and paying for your athlete's USAG membership is the responsibility of the family and cannot be completed by AAK or the Booster Club.

Estimated Competitive Team Expenses

The Booster Club supports a wide range of team expenses throughout the season. This is why active membership, fundraising, and family participation matter so much. Examples include:

- Meet registration: often \$150-\$200+ per meet and typically more than \$1,200 per gymnast each season
- Coaching expenses: session fees, per diem, mileage, overnight lodging, airfare, rental car or transportation as needed, annual coach USAG fees, and coach education
- Pre-meet preparation: judges may be hired for assessments or feedback sessions before the main season or before state competition
- Camps and clinics: optional opportunities may include athlete registration plus support for the minimum number of required coaches
- Other team benefits, as funds allow: team outings, celebrations, awards, and gifts

Membership Expectations

To remain an active member, each family is expected to support Champion Boosters through a combination of membership dues, volunteer participation, and fair-share contributions. The amount of the fair-share contribution depends on your athlete's competitive level.

Active and Inactive Membership

Active members are families in good standing for the current fiscal year. To be considered active, a family must:

- Pay all required membership dues and past balances on time
- Complete the minimum volunteer requirements
- Meet the required fair-share contribution amount through fundraising, direct payment, or a combination of both

Families who do not meet these requirements may be classified as inactive. Inactive status may be reported to AAK under the MOU between the organizations. Any impact on gym participation is determined solely by AAK.

Membership Fees, Fair-Share Contributions, and Fundraising

Each competitive family is expected to contribute the annual fair-share contribution amount set by the Booster Club Board for the season. This helps the Club cover the real costs of supporting the competitive program, including meet registration, coaching support, travel-related expenses, and other program-wide costs.

The Booster Club may offer fundraising opportunities during the year to help support the program and reduce the overall financial burden on families. However, all fundraising proceeds belong to Champion Boosters, Inc., are deposited into the Club's general operating fund, and are used for the benefit of the program as a whole. Funds raised through Booster Club activities are not owned by any individual family, gymnast, or coach. Because Champion Boosters is a nonprofit organization, fundraising participation does not create an individual account or a dollar-for-dollar credit for any family. Instead, fundraising helps strengthen the Club's overall budget so the Board can support the team fairly and consistently across the program.

All donations and fundraising proceeds support Champion Boosters, Inc. and may not be designated for the private benefit of any individual athlete or family.

Fair-Share Contribution Chart

Competitive Level		Membership Fee (July 1)	Fair-Share Contribution
Womens	Mens	*all amounts are per athlete	
Bronze, Silver, L2, L3, L4	L3, L4, L5	\$50.00	\$1,350.00
Gold, L6, L7, L8, L2-L4 Tops*	L4-L5 Junior Elite*	\$50.00	\$1,450.00
Platinum, Diamond, L9, L10	L6/6JE, L7, L8/8JE, L9/9JE, L10/10JE	\$50.00	\$1,650.00

*L2-L4 TOPS and L4-L5 Junior Elite are assigned to this tier only if they are eligible to attend regional testing

If your family chooses to make the full fair-share contribution early, the following discounts apply:

- Full fair-share contribution by July 1: reduce the fair-share contribution by \$100
- Full fair-share contribution by August 1: reduce the fair-share contribution by \$50

If families **choose not to pay their full amount** by the discount dates, **they must pay the fair-share amount in six equal installments** due on: August 10, September 10, October 10, November 10, December 10, and January 10.

Annual Membership Fee

\$50 per gymnast, due July 1. This fee helps cover the operating costs of Champion Boosters, including bookkeeping and reimbursement software, insurance, bank fees, tax preparation, and general administrative supplies.

Example Payment Schedule

Example: A bronze-level gymnast has a \$50 membership fee due July 1 and a \$1,350 fair-share contribution for the season.

- Option 1: Pay in full by July 1 → \$1,250 fair-share + \$50 membership fee
- Option 2: Pay in full by August 1 → \$1,300 fair-share + \$50 membership fee on July 1
- Option 3: Pay in six equal installments → \$50 membership fee on July 1 and then six installment payments of \$225 from August through January

Financial Commitment and Non-Refund Policy

Because meet fees and related expenses are often paid far in advance and are frequently non-refundable, the full fair-share contribution is expected even if a gymnast leaves the program before the season ends, including situations involving injury or missed meets. All payments, donations, and funds raised are non-refundable. Funds cannot be transferred, credited, or reassigned to a specific gymnast. As a nonprofit, we must use all contributions to support the program as a whole and may not designate fundraising/donations for the private benefit of one athlete.

Volunteer Opportunities and Expectations

Volunteer support is essential to the success of our program. Detailed meet schedules are usually shared a few weeks before each event, and sign-up information will be posted when available. Volunteer shifts are approximately four hours long.

Please check in at the start of each shift so volunteer credit can be recorded accurately.

- In-house meet requirement: 1 session per gymnast per season (maximum 2 sessions per family)
- Derby Classic requirement: 3 sessions per gymnast per season (maximum 5 sessions per family)
- Additional volunteer needs may be announced if we host state or regional events
- Serving as a committee chair, board member, or level representative may reduce volunteer expectations
- If you cannot volunteer, the replacement donation is \$150 per missed session

For safety and liability reasons, children are not allowed on the competition floor while you are volunteering. Children under age 12 should not attend unsupervised. Volunteers may not leave an assigned scoring or timing role to attend to children, and phones may not be accessible during scoring/timing duties.

Minors may not complete volunteer sessions for family credit.

Camps, Clinics, and Special Training Opportunities

Some competitive levels may be invited to attend state or regional camps, clinics, or testing opportunities. Participation is optional and determined by the Program Director based on athlete readiness / eligibility.

- Champion Boosters coordinates registration when a group payment is required
- Families must pay the registration fee plus a 10% administrative fee

- The 10% administrative fee is non-refundable
- Camp/clinic fees must be paid directly and may not be covered through fundraising
- Athletes will not be registered unless payment is received by the stated deadline

Late Joiners, Level Changes, and Athlete Withdrawals

If your family joins before February 1, the membership fee and fair-share contribution are the same as if you had joined at the start of the fiscal year.

If you join after February 1, the \$50 membership fee still applies and the fair-share contribution may be prorated at Board discretion.

If you join after all meets are completed for your athlete's level but before the fiscal year ends, you may only be responsible for the membership fee if you want to participate in certain Booster Club activities.

If you do not yet know your gymnast's competition level, your family will be billed according to the athlete's current training level. If your athlete moves up, the fair-share amount will be adjusted to the new level. TOPs and Boys L4/L5 JE families should make sure the Booster Club is notified promptly if testing eligibility changes.

If your gymnast retires from the program, please notify your coach and AAK right away, and also notify the Booster Club President in writing so the athlete can be removed from upcoming meets when possible.

Payments, Billing, and Account Questions

- Payments may be made through SportsEngine. A 3.9%+\$0.30 processing fee is charged directly to the member when using that platform.
- Checks or correspondence may be left in the black mailbox next to the party room in the Cheer Hall. Be sure to note what the payment is for.
- If paying cash, have the front desk count the cash and sign the envelope at the time of drop-off.
- Returned checks must be resolved within 10 days and include a \$35 returned-check fee.
- If you receive a statement you believe is incorrect, contact the sender, Treasurer, or Bookkeeper so the account can be reviewed.

If a fair-share contribution payment will be late, the member should notify the President in writing within 10 days of receiving notice from the Treasurer/Bookkeeper. Requests for extra time are reviewed by the Board and answered in writing.

Communication and Family Support

Clear, respectful, and consistent communication helps create a positive experience for athletes, families, coaches, and volunteers throughout the season. Champion Boosters aims to support communication systems that help families stay informed and connected throughout the competitive season.

To help reduce confusion and maintain consistent communication across the program, families should rely on official Champion Boosters communication channels for Booster Club information, deadlines, announcements, and updates.

Official Booster Club communication may include:

- Booster Club email communication
- The Band platform
- Booster Club Facebook posts from Board members
- Information shared through team level representatives on behalf of the Booster Club

Information shared informally through conversations, group texts, or social media may occasionally be incomplete or inaccurate. Families are encouraged to verify questions or concerns directly through official Booster Club communication channels whenever clarification is needed.

Champion Boosters is committed to providing communication that is timely, respectful, and consistent whenever possible.

To help communication run smoothly:

- Families are encouraged to review messages regularly and respond to time-sensitive requests when needed
- Team level representatives help share reminders, welcome new families, answer general Booster Club questions, and help connect members with the appropriate Board member when needed
- Questions related to Booster Club membership, volunteering, fundraising, balances, or Booster Club events should be directed to the Booster Club

Champion Boosters recognizes that competitive gymnastics can feel overwhelming, especially for newer families. Families are encouraged to ask questions early, seek clarification when needed, and communicate concerns respectfully and constructively.

The Booster Club also encourages families to remember that:

- Competition schedules and meet timelines may occasionally change
- Board members and level representatives are volunteers balancing Booster Club responsibilities alongside work and family obligations
- Timely, respectful communication helps the program run more smoothly for everyone involved

Strong communication works best when families, coaches, and volunteers approach one another with patience, professionalism, flexibility, and a shared commitment to supporting athletes and maintaining a positive team environment.

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the benefits of the Booster Club? Champion Boosters helps offset the major costs of competitive gymnastics so athletes can participate more equitably in competition opportunities that fit their level. This includes meet registration, coaching support, and certain program-wide expenses.

Why do families volunteer at meets hosted by AAK? By helping with in-house meets and Derby Classic, families support the major fundraising activities that make Booster Club support possible. Revenue from Derby Classic and related meet activities helps offset team expenses throughout the season.

Why is Derby Classic mandatory to volunteer at? Derby Classic is the Booster Club’s major annual fundraiser. Family support is essential to its success and directly helps fund the competitive season.

Why is there a fair-share contribution? Fundraising and sponsorships alone do not fully cover the cost of meet fees, coaching expenses, travel, judges, and other team expenses. Fair-share helps make sure the Booster Club can meet its financial obligations for the full season.

Why can’t fundraising pay for camp or clinic registration? Camps and clinics are optional and not available to every athlete equally. Because these fees are treated as pass-through registrations rather than broad team support, they must be paid directly by the participating family.

How do I get volunteer credit? Make sure you check in at the start of every shift. If you serve on a committee, keep track of your work and stay in touch with the committee chair.

What if no one contacts me about my committee? Committee chairs try to reach members, but members are also expected to follow up. If you do not hear from a chair, contact the President or Vice President to confirm your assignment and responsibilities.

What if I don’t sign the Membership Agreement? Without a signed Membership Agreement, your family cannot receive active member status.

Why do I receive so many Booster Club emails and messages? Because communication matters. Please check your email and the Band app regularly so you do not miss volunteer sign-ups, payment reminders, or time-sensitive updates.

What if I wasn’t aware of the requirement? Membership requirements are reviewed at the annual membership meeting, included in this handbook, and covered in the Membership Agreement. Board members are happy to answer questions, but each member is responsible for staying informed.

Team Level Representatives

Level Representatives are volunteer liaisons who help connect team families, coaches, and the Executive Board. Their responsibilities may include:

- Sharing Booster Club updates, fundraiser information, and reminders with team families
- Helping distribute meet schedules and updates from coaches or the competition coordinator
- Supporting year-end awards and banquet preparation
- Reminding members about payments, forms, and other deadlines
- Welcoming new families and helping them get connected
- Helping communicate appropriate team concerns and recognizing coaches’ hard work throughout the year

Contact Information

Role	Contact
Membership	Whitney Rebholz — 502-432-6974
Board President	Christian Lauria — 502-314-9255

2026–2027 Executive Board

- President: Christian Lauria
- 1st Vice President – Membership: Whitney Rebholz
- 2nd Vice President – Derby Classic: Nathan Wallace
- Secretary: Emily Sipes
- Treasurer: Tami Risner
- Bookkeeper: Ashley Webb
- Fundraising Chair: Staci Hobbs
- Sponsorship Chair: [vacant / not listed in source]
- Volunteer Chair: [vacant / not listed in source]

Final Reminder

Champion Boosters is a volunteer-driven organization. We appreciate every family's time, patience, and participation. When families stay informed, volunteer, and meet their shared commitments, we are able to provide stronger support for every competitive gymnast in the program.