## **USA Cheer Member Code of Conduct**

## THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS ARE PROHIBITED:

- USA Cheer prohibits the possession, consumption or distribution of alcohol, tobacco, vaping devices, or e-cigarettes by anyone registered as a USA Cheer Athlete at the sanctioned event venue of any USA Cheer event.
- 2. The use of illegal drugs in the presence of an athlete, by a coach, official, trainer, or a person who, in the context of cheer, is in a position of authority over that athlete.
- 3. The abuse of alcohol in the presence of an athlete under the age of eighteen (18), by a coach, official, trainer, or a person who, in the context of cheer, is in a position of authority over that athlete.
- 4. The providing of alcohol to an athlete by a coach, official, trainer, manager, or any other person where the athlete is under the legal age allowed to consume or purchase alcohol in the state where the alcohol is provided.
  - 5. Use of a recognized identification card by anyone other than the individual described on the card in connection with any USA Cheer activity.
  - 6. Physical damage to a facility or theft of items from a room, dormitory, residence, or other person at a USA Cheer activity. Participant will be liable for all damage he/she causes and the full value of any stolen property.
  - 7. Violation of the specific policies, regulations, and/or procedures of USA Cheer or the facility used in conjunction with a USA Cheer activity. It is the responsibility of the individual to be familiar with applicable specific policies, regulations, and procedures.
  - 8. Violation of the USA Cheer Safe Sport Code or its policies.
  - 9. Violation of the USA Cheer Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies.
  - 10. Any retaliation against a reporting party or protected individual before, during or after the process (whether lead by USA Cheer of the U.S. Center for SafeSport) of resolving an abuse or misconduct allegation.
  - 11. Physical or verbal intimidation of any individual.
  - 12. Discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, gender identity, age, or any other basis proscribed by law.
  - 13. Any action or fraud, deception, or dishonesty in connection with any USA Cheerrelated activity.
  - 14. Conduct that is inappropriate as determined by comparison to normally accepted behavior.
- 15. Any other act, conduct, or omission that is or will be detrimental to USA Cheer or the sport of cheer or STUNT.

All complaints and reports of a violation of this Code of conduct will be promptly investigated. All members who are witnesses are expected to cooperate in any investigation of a complaint of misconduct or potential violation of this Code of Conduct.