



## EXCITING NEWS!!!

### Special points of interest:

- The Edge Academy
- Staff Highlight
- Fall practice schedule for team starts on Tuesday, September 4th

IT'S A LIFESTYLE  
 TRAIN LIKE THERE'S  
 NO FINISH LINE.

We have exciting news that we would like to share with all of our members! Some big, new, exciting changes will be coming soon to The Athletic Edge and the first announcement is coming in January 2019 we will be opening **The Edge Academy**, our new preschool.



We are still working on all of the final details so stay tuned!

## The Athletic Edge Story



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The Athletic Edge was founded in June of 1996 in Dallas, Oregon, by Walter Wagner and his wife, Jacque. Walt and Jacque sold their wedding rings to secure their first lease. At the time, they did not have any gym equipment but found that many of the local high schools were discontinuing their gymnastics programs and they were able to get the equipment donated.

In the heart of Dallas, The Athletic Edge became a youth training center, for not only gymnastics,

but for the skills of life as well.

In September of 1997, The Athletic Edge gained status as a not for profit organization.

During June of 1998, The Athletic Edge made the move to Salem, Oregon. Overcoming obstacles such as flooding rain, and fire codes in our Industrial Way location, we have finally settled into what will be our permanent home where we will continue to hold our head high and provide excellent youth programs.

**God Gives You  
 the Talent...  
 You Give the  
 Effort!**

## August Birthday's



Alexa Aguirre  
 Madison Allen  
 Lilly Allison  
 Asta Anderson  
 Zavien Anderson  
 Isabel Arronte  
 Nikash Bajpai  
 Lyla Barrie  
 Abigail Belgaro  
 Ellie Blackman  
 Kaylee Burgess  
 Madix Cantrell  
 Zakiyah Carbajal  
 Adia Carlson  
 Avah Charpentier  
 Benjamin Cid  
 Emma Claeys  
 Cailyn Davies  
 Reese Dittman  
 Madison Downey  
 Lucy Dunsworth  
 Anna Caroline Enns  
 Hudson Erickson  
 Allie Eubank  
 Ryleigh Faust  
 Camryn Fineran  
 Isabella Garibay  
 Cecily Gohl  
 Emma Gonzalez  
 Anne Greaves  
 Hannah Haley  
 Zoe Haller  
 Ciera Hansen

Camila Hess  
 Alex Heun  
 Isabelle Heun  
 Abigail Holmstrom  
 Jolene Hook  
 Sophia Julio  
 McKenna Kehrer  
 Levi Kintner  
 Natalia Kostoutchenko  
 Isabelle Lawton  
 Ellyanna Lindquist  
 Natasha Machorro  
 Brielle Mack  
 Jasleen Magana  
 Emily Maheu  
 Isabella Manzo  
 Alissa McCormick  
 Olivia Mclain  
 Kalani Miller  
 Abigail Millikan  
 Miles Nelson  
 Oliver Nelson  
 Branson Nunn  
 Maya Oliva  
 Tula Olson  
 Ralina Ortiz  
 Reagan Parent  
 Brinley Parsons  
 Kylie Pasquarella  
 Quinn Radish  
 Kollyns Ramirez  
 Sinai Rasbot  
 Ava Ray

Ariana Rice  
 Juliette Robinson-Colpepper  
 Aiyana Romero  
 Aneli Romero  
 Sebastian Romero  
 Kaylie San  
 Anabella Stom  
 Ashlyn Swartwout  
 Carlina Wade  
 Savanna Walker  
 Khadija Wanly  
 Payton Welsh-Donaldson  
 Aubree Wenger  
 Cora White  
 Brielle Winchell



***“On Mercury a day lasts 1,408 hours. Just like every Monday does on Earth.”***



## The Athletic Edge Mission Statement

To educate the general public regarding the many connections between fitness and health.

To promote and facilitate the participation of the public, especially young people and people with disabilities, in fitness and sports. To provide opportunities for young people to develop

crucial lessons and values including wholesome character, fitness, teamwork, cooperation, competition, and an overall striving for excellence. To provide an alternative to unsupervised activities in which youth “at risk” can, and do, get into trouble or difficult ies including crime or drug abuse.

To use sports and athletic activities involving people from all countries and cultures in the building of bridges in communication and sensitivity to cultural diversity.

## **\*\*Important Reminders\*\***

- \* Remember to start looking at blocking your weekends for the home meets that we sent out in last months newsletter. Room blocks fill up fast for away meets so if you are needing a room be sure to keep an eye out for when they open!
- \* Teambuilders will have their first meeting for the new season in mid-September so watch for the email about the specific date and time. We also just have elections and at this time our Vice Presidency is vacant and so we are looking for a new board member!
- \* If you are on competitive girls, boys or Xcel team watch for the fall schedule for when it comes out . We are not trying to rush summer by but unfortunately school will be back in session before we know it!
- \* Do you have a good idea for a fundraiser? Please share with us, it is a great way to help with team fees and uniform costs! If you know of a business that would like to donate please talk to Hope Hiebert about we can get them a banner made to hang in the gym! Look at all of our current supporters banners going up in the next couple weeks.
- \* Need volunteer hours, we have them! Give the front desk your name and we will contact you!



## **Do you like us?**

If you haven't already done so, please like us on Facebook! Not only do we do lots of fun posts of our kids throughout the year, either at competitions, practice or special events, we also use it as a way to get out very pertinent information when needed. It is the fastest way to get a message out!

If you have a cute picture with your child at the gym, or doing a new skill they have been work-

ing hard on, we would love for you to tag us! Share our page with your friends and family too so they can all see your child's progress!

We also love to support our local businesses so if you have a local business that you believe has good values, products and events we should support please share them with us as well.

We look forward to sharing our

experiences with you, see how we can inspire each other, support each other and help us discover new things together!



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***“A comfort zone is a beautiful place, but nothing ever grows there.”***

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## **All Around Cafe**

The All Around Café has been going all summer and offering a wide variety of daily specials. We have recently purchased a BBQ grill and have been grilling on Friday's!

We are always looking for feedback on our menu, and customer service so please feel free to stop by and give us your thoughts!

If you have some special recipes that you feel would be a big hit with our gymnasts and families, please submit them to either the café staff or the front desk and we will try to work it into the rotation!

There may be times when the café is closed due to staffing issues, so please bare with us

while we are still working out the kinks on the best schedule.

We also have snacks and drinks available for purchase at the front desk when the café is closed. Remember you can also purchase a meal card for you gymnast or your family for \$40 and we will keep it on file to use at your leisure.



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*Gymnastics - The Basics of All Sports*

<http://theathleticedge.org>



## Staff Highlight—Emani Price

Emani has been working at The Athletic Edge for a little over a year and our own Sarah Bartruff is responsible for bringing her to us! When Emani is not coaching at the gym, she likes running with her dog and hiking and her favorite vacation spot is up in the mountains!

Emani says that she has a mom and dad and two annoying older brothers but wants us to know that Amanda Wiebanga is cool sometimes and so is Jennifer!

We asked Emani what her favorite food is and she pretty much likes everything that does not have mushrooms in it! Her favorite movie is Stick It, her hometown is Albany and when asked what her biggest pet peeve is, she says

people that are not funny and very rude people.

If Emani had another job she would love to be a personal stylist and she says that she is obsessed with traveling and that is the first thing she would do if she ever won the lottery.

Lastly, we asked Emani what are some interesting facts about her and she said that she thinks that she is funny and she loves elephants!

Be sure to raise your trunk next time you see Emani in the gym!

