

Madisonville Jr. High School
Cheerleading & Dance Team application packet

Dear Parents,

By picking up this application, your child has expressed a desire to try out for either the MJH cheerleading squad or the dance team. There is a \$10.00 try out fee for each student trying out. It must be stressed that while both are fun and exciting experiences, there are many responsibilities that your child must be willing to assume. Cheerleading and dance team are both **year-round** activities, and both are **time-consuming** and expensive (**cost** is approximately **\$900-\$1,000**). There will also be a 3 day **summer camp** that is **MANDATORY**. **Anyone wishing to try out MUST have an application, including PHYSICAL, on file by Thursday, February 28th.**

Tryout **mandatory** clinics will be held on the following dates:

DANCE TEAM: Mandatory clinics – Mon (3/11), Tues (3/12)

3:30-5:00

Tryout Date –Wed (3/13) 3:30-5:00ish

CHEERLEADING: Mandatory clinics – Mon (3/18), Tues (3/19)

3:30-5:00

Tryout Date – Wed (3/20) 3:30-5:00ish

- Students may apply for both cheer and dance. However, if the student makes the dance team, they may not try out for the cheerleading squad.

Both tryouts will be closed. We have hired outside judges to evaluate tryouts. The \$10 try out fee pays for the choreographer and judges. The decisions of the judges will be final. Results will be posted in the window of the gym an hour after try-outs and officer try-outs conclude.

All of the following items must be completed and **turned in no later than Thursday, February 28th**, or the student will not be allowed to try out for either squad. **There will be NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

- Completed application, **including PHYSICAL (THIS MUST BE SIGNED AND DATED BY THE DOCTOR!)**
- Copy of last report card or interim report (whichever one is most current) – students must maintain a 2.0 GPA to be on the teams
- \$10 try out fee (\$20 if you try out for both – if the student makes the cheerleading squad, the try out fee for cheerleading will be put towards their expenses for the year)

Students trying out must also have a **good behavior record**. Cheerleaders and dance team members represent our schools at many different functions and therefore must maintain a certain level of behavior.

Clinic and Tryout Attire

Any participant trying out for dance team or cheerleading must wear aerobic style tennis shoes (jazz shoes are preferred for dance team), black gym style shorts (or hot shorts for dance team,) a white short sleeved shirt tucked in, no jewelry, and hair should be pulled up and out of face.

*****KEEP THIS PAGE FOR YOUR INFORMATION.*****

*****RETURN THE APPLICATION AND PHYSICAL PAGES ONLY!*****

- (1) All participants and a parent must attend a mandatory informational meeting on **Thursday, February 25th at 4:00 pm** in the MJH gym. You may not try out if you are not in attendance at this meeting.
- (2) All participants must attend a **two-day workshop on Monday, March 11th – Tuesday, March 12th from 3:30 – 5pm (Dance) OR March 18th – March 19th from 3:30 – 5pm (Cheer) in the MJH gym.**
- (3) All participants must be present for the actual tryout process which will begin at **4pm on Wednesday, March 13th (Dance) OR Wednesday, March 20th (Cheer)**. No participant is allowed to leave until dismissed at the end of the tryout process.
- (4) All participants must submit the following: **application with \$10.00 fee (checks made payable to MJH), parent permission slip, and copy of 1st semester report card. These documents should be returned on Thursday, February 28th.**
- (5) Must maintain a 2.0 average to try out and stay on the team.
- (5) At tryouts, all participants are required to perform a sideline/cheer/dance routine which they have learned at a workshop. They must also demonstrate the ability to do a **toe-touch** and a **hurdler**.
- (6) Participants should wear the following items of clothing in order to tryout: (1) white tee, (2) black shorts, (3) white cheer shoes (or regular, white tennis shoes if you don't have cheer shoes. Jazz shoes are preferred for dance team), (4) black or white bow (optional). (5) no jewelry (6) Hair pulled out of face. No cheer or dance-affiliated logos on any part of the outfit will be permitted.
- (7) Call backs may be necessary. If a participant is called back, they may be asked to perform the previously demonstrated choreography. Once call-backs are completed, all participants will be asked to leave.
- (8) Tryouts will be **closed**.
- (9) Professional judges (UCA/UDA) will evaluate the participants on the requirements set forth. The decisions of the judges are final.
- (10) All applicants must meet discipline requirements in order to tryout. Any applicant with an expulsion or suspension on their discipline record within the current school year must counsel with sponsor and principal to discuss eligibility. The principal also reserves the right to refuse participants from trying out based on discipline which may include extensive disciplinary action, and/or excessive referrals, absences, etc.
- (11) Results will be posted the evening of Wednesday, March 13th (Dance) OR Wednesday, March 20th (Cheer), shortly after the conclusion of tryouts. All participants who make the squad are required to attend a uniform fitting on Thursday, March 21st (Dance) OR Wednesday, March 27th (Cheer), time TBA, in the MJH library or cafeteria. A mandatory squad/parent meeting will follow the uniform fitting.

Reminders

All applicants must be present at clinic and tryouts. Also, all participants must have the following turned in by Thursday, February 28th.

- ✓ Application (Mrs. Verbeek)
- ✓ Parent permission slip (Mrs. Verbeek)
- ✓ Copy of 1st semester report card (Mrs. Verbeek)
- ✓ Physical Paperwork (front office)



Madisonville Junior High School
Cheerleading/Dance Tryout Application
2019 – 2020

Applicant's Name _____

School Presently Attending _____

Current Grade Level _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Home Address _____

Parent's Phone _____

Parent's Email _____

**Current Extra-Curricular
Activities (including school
and non-school related
activities)** _____

I have read the information given in the Cheerleader/Dance Application packet for 2018 - 2019. I understand the rules and expectations outlined for Madisonville Junior High School Cheerleaders/Dance Team members. I agree to abide by all rules and uphold the responsibilities and expectations of an MJH Cheerleader/Dance Team member.

Applicant's Signature

Parent's Signature

Date

Madisonville Junior High School
Cheerleading/Dance Tryouts Permission Form
2019 - 2020

My child, _____, has my permission to try out for the

(Circle one) Cheer Squad Dance Team Both

at Madisonville Junior High School. I understand that upon making the squad/team, he/she must abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the sponsor and the principal of the school. I understand that he/she must be present for all practices/games. I have read the rules and regulations and understand that the violation of any of these rules may lead to temporary and/or permanent suspension from the squad.

Parent, please initial stating that you agree with the expectations of MJH Cheer/Dance:

_____ I give my permission to my daughter/son to ride with other parents when necessary.

_____ I understand that all forms (parent permission form, application, and 1st semester report card) must be completed and turned in by Thursday, February 22. I understand that my child must participate in the required clinic and attend tryouts.

_____ I understand that my child will be evaluated by experienced and qualified judges, and I agree to abide by the decision of the judges.

_____ I understand the practice, camp, and cost schedule and agree to abide by the terms provided.

_____ I understand that if my child is selected to the team, my camp payment of \$200 is not paid in full by May 1, my son/daughter is not permitted to attend camp and hence will be removed from the squad.

_____ I understand that if my child is selected to the team they are required to attend camp. **June 3rd – 5th (Cheer) or June 11th – 13th (Dance)**

_____ I understand that if my child is removed from the squad for any reason, any money paid prior will not be refunded.

_____ I have read and understand my responsibilities in terms of chaperoning assigned activities when needed.

_____ I understand that if my child is presently under the care of a physician, this information and the nature of the illness must be disclosed prior to tryout week. I also understand that if my child is presently under the care of a physician, a release form may be necessary.

I have read the informational packet in detail and understand the information provided. I allow my child to tryout for the MJH cheerleading/dance squad and in the event that he/she makes the squad, I agree to support the sponsor and administrator in the execution of the rules and regulations.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

MJH CHEER/DANCE TEACHER RE COMMENDATION FORM

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PLEASE DO NOT SHOW OR RETURN THIS FORM TO THE STUDENTS.

Teacher's Name _____

Subject Taught _____

Rate each of the following: Using a ratio of 1 (poor) to 5 (superior).

Please give an honest evaluation. This information will be confidential and only viewed by the cheer/dance sponsors and the MJH administration.

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