

Wekiva High School Cheer Tryout Packet 2021-2022

Step One: Read this packet entirely.

Step Two: Sign Confirmation of Understanding.

Step Three: Upload Physical and ECG forms to the front WHS website portal by Friday July 30, 2021.

You will not be able to tryout without an up-to-date physical & ECG form on file.

If you have any questions please contact

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GOOD LUCK LADIES!!!!



Important Dates

Friday July 30, 2021

Physical & ECG forms due
Upload docs to the WHS website

Monday August 2, 2021

Cheer Tryout - Day 1
5:00pm – 7:00pm (Cafeteria)

Tuesday August 3, 2021

Cheer Tryout - Day 2
5:00pm – 7:00pm (Cafeteria)

Wednesday August 3, 2021

FINAL Tryout - Day 3
5:00pm – 7:00pm (Cafeteria)

Friday August 6, 2021

Parent Meeting
5:30pm – 6:00pm (Cafeteria)

Saturday August 7, 2021

Uniform Fitting 9am
STUNT CAMP – 12pm – 6pm

Monday August 9, 2021

1st Payment due
\$150 (pay through school website)

Wednesday September 1, 2021

2nd Payment due
\$150 (pay through school website)

Friday October 1, 2021

3rd Payment due
\$150 (pay through school website)

Updates will be given throughout the year.

Items to be Purchased for the Season

New Uniforms

Pom Poms

Cheer Bag

Shoes

Bows (Game Day & Competition)

Practice Wear (1-2 outfits will be chosen)

Warm Ups (if within the budget – pants and jacket set)

Our Expectations

Before tryouts for cheerleading squad, it's imperative that everyone is well aware of what we expect and the standards to which we hold our cheerleaders. The three most important requirements that both the candidate and his/her parents need to take into consideration for the duration of the 2021-2022 year are good character, financial deadlines, and the Mustang Cheer Squad constitution. Being a cheerleader at Wekiva High School is a YEAR-LONG commitment. If for some reason, you feel that your son/daughter cannot meet these expectations, you may need to reconsider trying out.

Displaying Exemplary Character

It is the belief of both the coach and administrators that being a Mustang Cheerleader is not only an honor; it is a privilege as well. Therefore, should you be chosen to represent Wekiva High School, it is imperative that you follow all school rules and regulations. Disrespect towards authority, school personnel, school policy, fellow students, etc. will not be tolerated and will result in temporary or permanent dismissal from the team.

Paying All Financial Obligations

Upon becoming a Wekiva High Cheerleader, it is your responsibility to purchase the uniform and other required items that have been selected by the sponsor, as well as pay for cheer camp tuition on the dates given to you by the sponsor. **If payments are not made on the day of the deadline there will be a 10\$ fee that will accrue each week until the payment is made in full.**

Required Attire

You must wear school colors on the day of tryouts

Show your School Spirit!

Hair pulled back in a ponytail

No Jewelry

No Long Nails

T shirt

Shorts

White Socks

Athletic Shoes

Candidate Number (provided at tryout clinic)

Tryout Day

Only candidates who are academically eligible may participate in the tryout session. Attendance is mandatory. The overall scores of those who show up late will be lowered. During the tryout session, each candidate will be taught a cheer, chant, and dance that will be scored by the panel of judges.

All paperwork must be submitted by end of the day on Friday July 30th or you will not be allowed to attend tryouts. Cameras, camcorders, and picture phones are not permitted at any time.

Parent Participation and Involvement

Parents, friends, etc. are not to be in the tryout area anytime on August 2nd - 4th while the candidates are assembled in the cafeteria learning, preparing, or practicing their routines. **ANYONE CHOOSING TO ENTER THE PREMISES IN SPITE OF THIS WARNING WILL IMMEDIATELY BE ESCORTED OUT BY THE COACH, ADMINISTRATOR, OR SRO.** This may cost your child the opportunity to participate.

Tryout Day Procedures

Afternoon

All Wekiva High Cheer Candidates are to arrive at the gym dressed in specified attire by 5:00pm to warm up and review material. **BE ON TIME!!!** Evaluations will begin promptly at 5:20pm. The candidates will be permitted to leave when they have finished trying out in front of the judges. No one will be allowed a second chance.

Notification

Once the judges' scores have been tabulated and confirmed by the judges and coach, each selected candidate will receive a phone call on Wednesday August 4th by 9:00PM. Selected candidates may also be announced on the Wekiva High School website and social media pages.

Judging

Cheerleader selections will be solely based on a performance before a panel of 3-4 judges (including the coach). In addition to the judges' scores, past grades and behavior will be taken into consideration. Tumbling skills will be judged. *However, you do not have to be able to tumble in order to tryout.*

Performance: Sequence of Events on Tryout Day 3

Before any judging will take place, all candidates (9th - 12th graders) will warmup and review the tryout material. Afterwards, the contestants will exit the area and tryouts will proceed as follows: Each contestant will make her spirit entrance in groups of 3 or 4. As a group, the candidates will perform the chant and dance. Once all group demonstrations are complete, in numeric order, each candidate will perform the cheer alone. Additionally, each cheerleader will showcase 1 jump and 1 tumbling skill (standing or running).

**** Go girls!!! And don't forget to Smile.****

SPECIAL NOTE: ONCE THE SQUAD HAS BEEN CHOSEN, ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL. NEITHER THE JUDGES' SCORES NOR THE DECISIONS MADE BASED ON GRADES AND/OR BEHAVIOR WILL BE DISCUSSED. YOU MAY CONTACT THE COACH OR ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE RESULTS OF THE TRYOUTS.

Who Will Make the Squad?

Each candidate will be scored on the following criteria:

Entrance

Facials (10)
Presence/Poise (10)
Spirit/Enthusiasm (10)

Jumps

Toe Touch (5)
Right/Left Herkie (5)

Cheer

Motion Technique (10)
Personality (10)
Voice/Projection (10)
Toe Touch (10)

Chant

Motion Technique (10)
Facials (5)
Memory (5)
Timing (5)

Dance

Motion Technique (10)
Personality/Facials (5)
Execution/Timing (5)

Tumbling

Skill Level 1-5
Running (10)
Standing (10)
None (0)

Candidates that meet the above criteria will be named as the 2021-2022 Wekiva High School Mustang Cheerleaders.

Confirmation of Understanding

I, _____, have read the entire Wekiva High School Cheerleading Squad Tryout Packet and understand the contents within. I will follow all of the guidelines set forth in the packet as a member of the Wekiva High School Cheerleading Squad during the 2021-2022 school year.

I also acknowledge that:

- Candidates must be registered to attend Wekiva High School for the 2021 - 2022 school year.
- Parents, family, and friends are NOT allowed in the building any time during tryout activities. If they are, the scores (candidates) will be at risk.
- I will not contest the final decisions resulting from the Panel of Judges.
- To receive my daughter's scores in a timely fashion, I should submit a written request to Coach Woods the day following tryouts.

Selected cheerleaders must:

- Always display a positive attitude
- Abide by the Wekiva Mustang Cheer Constitution or be subjected to the consequences therein
- Work hard in practice and in the classroom
- Attend all scheduled events
- Ride in the **provided** transportation to and from games with the team
- Make all payments on or before each payment deadline or be subjected to the consequences therein

I certify that all information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Candidate's Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date