



Merrol Hyde Magnet School

Cheer Parent Information

Please take this home for your parents' approval. It contains important information to review if you are considering applying for the position of cheerleader at Merrol Hyde Magnet School. The Cheerleading Guidelines and policies may also be reviewed at <http://mhm.sumnerschools.org/AthleticsCheerleading.htm> .

Important Dates

It is important for the student to be available on these dates. *Permission must be obtained from the coach in advance if the student cannot fulfill these obligations.

- March 30th Cheer-Tryout Meeting – **Mandatory***
Parent and applicants must attend
6:00 – MHMS Cafeteria
Guidelines and policies will be handed out.
Go over Tryout Procedures.
- April 13th ALL required forms due (Including physical if not already on file)
- April 14th – April 16th **Tryout Clinic Begins** (closed to spectators)
3:30 – 5:00 in the gym. *Mandatory - you must attend every day.
- April 17th **Tryouts:** 3:30 in the Gym. (Closed to spectators)
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Costs and Training

Uniforms and accessories: This will vary per girl - cost is approx. \$400.00 (NEW CHEERLEADER) \$230.00 (RETURNING)

Summer Camp: \$130.00 **Camp Clothing:** \$50.00

Training at Destiny Cheer and Fitness: - This is a weekly practice at a gym. We will work on gymnastics, stunts, and athletic training skill. There is a monthly fee and training is mandatory. The cost is approximately \$60.00/month.

CPR & AED Training: Due to recent changes in AACCA safety guideline all MHMS Cheerleaders will take a CPR/AED class.

- ◆ We will conduct fundraising events to help offset the costs, but each cheerleader will be responsible for all costs associated with being a member of the cheerleading squad. The costs shown above are approximate.
- ◆ **High School Practices:** Begins April 22, 2009 at Destiny Cheer and Fitness. The High School Squad will practice one (1) day a week at Destiny until school begins in August. We will add (1) practice per week at that time as the High School Cheerleaders only Cheer for Basketball.
- ◆ **Middle School Practices:** Begins April 22, 2009 at Destiny Cheer and Fitness. Middle School Cheerleaders cheer for football and basketball. Our first football game is in August - an additional day of practice will be added after cheer camp.
- ◆ **Cheer Camp:** TBA (After squad selection, each squad member will submit their summer schedule as to try and accommodate everyone for cheer camp.) **CHEER CAMP IS MANDATORY**
- ◆ **FIRST APPEARANCE AS MHMS CHEERLEADERS:** Saturday, April 25th 2009 - Country Music Marathon.

June 22nd – July 5th 2009 is the TSSAA Mandatory Dead Period – There will be NO practices held during this time.

Cheer Coach – Teresa W. Gillham

AACCA Certified Cheerleading Coach

CPR/AED Certified

615-822-8914 or 615-604-4290

Assistant Coach – Rachael E. Gillham

CPR/AED Certified