

PROSPECTIVE CHEERLEADER AGREEMENT

Dear Participant,

We want to Welcome you to the Orange Middle School Cheerleading process. The enclosed forms should help to answer any questions you may have as well as deliver expectations cheerleaders are to follow and abide by. We are very excited about your interest in Cheerleading this year! It is a very fun and rewarding sport that develops not only your physical skills, but also develops you as a leader of Orange Middle School.

Cheerleaders are leaders and representatives of our school, and therefore, expected to conform to a higher standard of behaviors than others. Cheerleaders will be expected to abide by and uphold all expectations as well as the policies of our School District. Refer to the Athletic Handbook 2022-2023 for clear description of all. Cheerleading can be a time-consuming responsibility and will require much dedication and hard work. We will begin practices in late July/ early August with games following shortly behind.

If, after reading the enclosed information, you feel that you are qualified and can meet the expectations of the program, please sign and return the forms at tryouts, Monday, May 16, 2021. All tryout activities will be in the OOMS gym.

You will not be permitted to try out without this form signed and returned. There will be no verbal consents taken by telephone. You must also have an athletic physical on file at the school prior to day one of tryouts.

We'd like to take this opportunity to wish you	good luck at tryouts!
Sincerely,	
Olentangy Orange Middle School Coach	ning Staff
Cheerleader Printed Name	Cheerleader Signed Name
Parent/Guardian Printed Name	Parent/Guardian signed Name

**Please submit your cheerleading tryout registration online. Use this <u>LINK</u> or you can find the link on our website: oomscheer.weebly.com

TRYOUT WEEK:

TRYOUT CLINIC DAY 1: Monday, May 16: 3 - 4:30PM

***During this time, the girls will learn the tryout material (cheer, chant and dance). Try out material will be posted online after our first day of clinics.

TRYOUT CLINIC DAY 2: Tuesday, May 17: 3 - 4:30PM

***During this time, the girls will continue to learn/practice the tryout material (cheer, chant and dance).

TUMBLING AND JUMPS TRYOUT/ OPEN GYM: Wednesday, May 18: 3 - 5:30PM

***During this time, while girls are not being judged, they will practice tryout material with their tryout partner/group.

CHEER/CHANT/DANCE TRYOUTS: Thursday, May 19: @ 3PM

***8th graders will try out first.

WHAT TO WEAR/BRING:

All Paperwork
Make sure you have a physical on file in final forms.
Water bottle
Wear black or blue shorts
Plain white shirt
Hair must be up/ pulled back
Cheer shoes/tennis shoes should be worn.
No jewelry

TRYOUT MATERIAL

- 1. Dance Taught by former 8th grade cheerleaders
- 2. Chant Taught by former 8th grade cheerleaders
- 3. Cheer Taught by former 8th grade cheerleaders
- 4. Tumbling (while not required it will be highly encouraged)
- 5. Jumps (Toe-touch, left or right hurdler and pike)

Skill Category/ Level

	Level One 0-1 pts	Level Two 0-2 pts	Level Three 0-3 pts	Level Four 0-4 pts	Level Five 0-5 pts
Ctanding	Cartwheel	BHS	Standing Tuck	BHS, BHS Tuck	Triple Toe Tuck
Standing Tumbling			Starraing rack	5113, 5113 Tack	The fee fact
lambing	Round Off	Cartwheel BHS	BHS Tuck	Toe Tuck	Standing Full
	BHS w/light spot	Toe Touch BHS	Cartwheel Tuck	Toe, BHS Tuck	Starraing rain
			Cartwheel BHS-tuck	Pike Tuck	
Running	Round Off	Round Off BHS	Round Off Tuck	Round Off	Round Off BHS-Full
Tumbling	Round Off Toe-Touch	Round Off Multiple BHS	Round Off BHS Tuck	Round Off BHS-Layout	Arabian
		Front Walkover ROBHS	Front Walkover ROBHS	Round Off BHS X-Out	

All tumbling scores will be based on the execution of the pass. If the pass is not properly executed, you will get a lower score. Make sure you only attempt a skill you know you will land and execute properly. It will only hurt you if you try something you cannot do properly. Please remember <u>tumbling is not everything</u>. It is important to focus on ALL aspects of your tryout.

Standing Tumbling Level:	□ good form □ pointed toes □ straight legs □ sticks landing □ legs together □ pops off floor □ other	form needs improvement toes not pointed bent legs wobbly landing/fall legs apart pops off floor other	/5
Running Tumbling Level:	good form pointed toes straight legs sticks landing legs together pops off floor other	form needs improvement toes not pointed bent legs wobbly landing/fall legs apart pops off floor other	/5
Toe Touch	□ pointed toes □ straight legs □ sticks landing □ legs at/above horizontal □ correct arm placement □ strong technique	☐ Toes not pointed ☐ Bent legs ☐ Wobbly landing ☐ Feet apart ☐ Legs below horizontal ☐ Arms not placed correctly ☐ Weak technique	/5
Left or Right Hurdler	□ pointed toes □ straight legs □ sticks landing □ legs at/above horizontal □ correct arm placement □ strong technique	☐ Toes not pointed ☐ Bent legs ☐ Wobbly landing ☐ Feet apart ☐ Legs below horizontal ☐ Arms not placed correctly ☐ Weak technique	/5
Pike	□ pointed toes □ straight legs □ sticks landing □ legs at/above horizontal □ correct arm placement □ strong technique	☐ Toes not pointed ☐ Bent legs ☐ Wobbly landing ☐ Feet apart ☐ Legs below horizontal ☐ Arms not placed correctly ☐ Weak technique	/5
Total			/25

Candidate # _____

Judge # _____

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Timing and Synchronization to Music	☐ In time with music☐ Other:	☐ Off beat ☐ Other:	/5
Motion Technique/ Sharpness	☐ Correct placement ☐ Straight Wrists ☐ motions punched ☐ motions stick and hold ☐ Other:	☐ Placement needs improvement ☐ Broken wrists ☐ Motions placed ☐ Bouncy motions ☐ Other:	/10
Dance Technique	Good Rhythm Correct body posture Correct body position Ease of execution Other:	☐ Uncomfortable ☐ Incorrect body posture ☐ Incorrect body position ☐ Execution uneasy ☐ Other:	/5
Energy/ Showmanship	looks natural enthusiastic fun to watch good eye contact invites crowd to cheer other:	 □ Overdone facials □ Lacks enthusiasm □ Uninterested □ No eye contact □ Hesitant to initiate the crowd □ Other: 	/10
Jumps	□ pointed toes □ straight legs □ sticks landing □ legs at/above horizontal □ correct arm placement □ strong technique	☐ Toes not pointed ☐ Bent legs ☐ Wobbly landing ☐ Feet apart ☐ Legs below horizontal ☐ Arms not placed correctly ☐ Weak technique	/5
Overall Execution/ Knowledge of Material	grabs audience attention knows material clean and sharp pleasant to watch Other:	☐ Unenthusiastic ☐ Doesn't know material ☐ Lacks control and bouncy ☐ Other:	/5
Total			/40

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Voice Projection/Rhythm	□ Loud □ Good Expression □ Even flow of words □ wod/tone variation □ Voice inflection on important words	☐ Quiet/Soft voice ☐ No expression ☐ Too high pitched ☐ Too low pitched ☐ Monotone/ no excitement	/5
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Other Important Information:

Expenses:

- Clothing: ordering information will be sent out over summer (early June). Costs will be different based on grade level and/or first time cheering.
 - o 7th grade cheer or first time cheering 8th grade **estimated** cost: \$250-\$300
 - 8th grade cheer **estimated** cost: \$100-\$150 (This will increase if your athlete needs to replace gear from last year)
- Pay to play: \$80

Summer Practices:

- We will start practices at the end of July/Early August
- Practice schedule will be sent out after tryouts.
 - Expect morning practices from 8-10AM until school starts.
- Summer Cheer Camp- The week of July 25th, more details to come.

Practice and Games:

- Football Practices:
 - Mondays and Tuesdays from 3 5PM. (potentially reduced hours as the season goes on)
 - Wednesdays- 8th grade practices from 3-4:15.
 - o Thursdays- 7th grade practices from 3-4:15
- Football Games: Wednesdays and Thursdays @ 5:00 or 5:30 (There may be exceptions)
 - Football travels to away games
- <u>Basketball Practice</u>: Starts end of October/ Early November
 - Pre-season practices: Monday through Thursday 3-5PM
 - o In-season practices: Mondays and Wednesdays 3 4:30PM
- <u>Basketball Games:</u> Tuesday and Thursdays
 - TWO games per week. All games are mandatory.
 - o 7th grade starts at approximately 5PM
 - 8th grade starts at approximately 6:15 PM
 - We do not travel to away games

Expectations:

- Expected to maintain the grades and classes based on athletic handbook rules.
- Expected to behave in and out of the classroom, to promote good sportsmanship and lead in a positive way.
- Notification of absence needs to be given to the coach prior to practice or games. This should be in written form. (Email or letter from parent/guardian)
- Unexcused absence results in suspension for the next contest. Second offense will result in suspension for the next two contests. Third offense results in suspension for the remainder of the season.