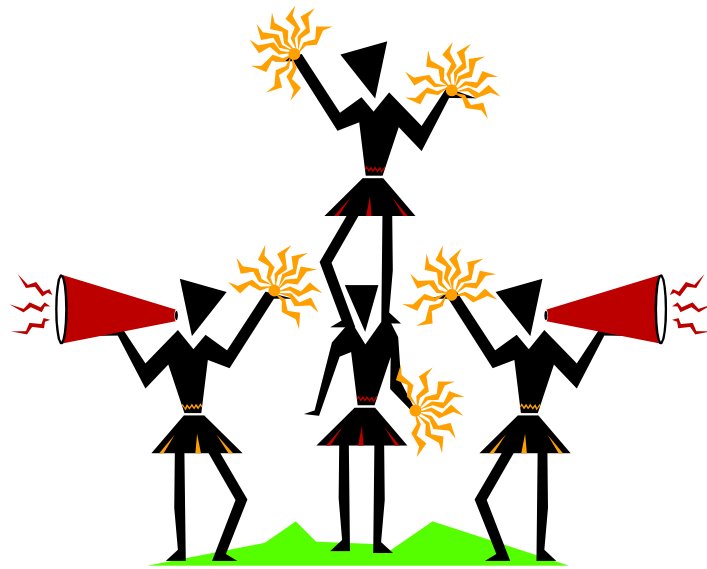


ECJH Cheerleading Tryout Packet



Due February 3, 2012, 3:30 PM

Dear Cheerleader Candidate,

If you intend to try out for Junior High Cheerleader, you must meet the following requirements and deadlines. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.**

1. Read the copy of the constitution that you will be expected to follow if selected to be a cheerleader.
2. **Do not sign anything unless you are willing to follow this constitution.**
3. Be absolutely sure that you and your parents understand fully the financial and personal demands that are put upon a Junior High Cheerleader.
4. Realize that this is a team, and it takes every member to be fully cooperative in every way.
5. Tryout practices/clinics will be closed to the public.
6. **You must attend every practice/clinic session.**
7. The deadline for turning in the following completed and signed forms to the Jr. High Office is **February 3, 2012, 3:30 p.m.**
 - a. Parent Permission Form
 - b. Medical Release Form
 - c. Constitution Agreement Form
8. You must wear shorts and shirts that are East Chambers school colors (green, gold, and/or white) and tennis shoes. School dress code must be followed.

All forms must be completed and turned in to the Junior High office by the deadline of **February 3, 2012, 3:30 p.m.** No forms will be accepted after that time.

Thank you for your interest in the ECJH Cheerleading Program, and good luck in your efforts.

Haylea Rollo
ECJH Cheerleader Sponsor

Important Dates

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| February 3, 3:30 pm | Deadline for turning in all cheerleading tryout forms to the ECJH Office |
| February 14, 4:30-6:00 | Cheer Clinic/JH Gym |
| February 15, 4:30-6:00 | Cheer Clinic/JH Gym |
| February 16, 4:30-6:00 | Mock Tryouts/Elem. Gym |
| February 17, 3:00 | Tryouts/JH Gym |

After school and summer practices will be held, dates and times to be announced.

Tryout Information

Tryouts – February 17, 2011, 3:00

- Group dance
- Individual performance
 - a. Entrance (optional)
 - b. Cheer
 - c. Two Jumps (one must be a toe-touch)

Attire – Candidates may wear any school colored shirt and shorts and tennis shoes. Buccaneer logos are allowed. Current cheerleaders may NOT wear any item (clothing or shoes) purchased with funds from either the East Chambers general fund or the Student Activity fund. No name or other identifiable wording on clothing is allowed.

Order – Each candidate will draw a number to determine their tryout order. Paper numbers will be provided and pinned on each candidate's shirt.

Judging – Judging will begin promptly at 3:00. Candidates must be stretched and ready at this time. They will be allowed to call to be picked up when the tryouts are complete.

Results – Results will be posted on the East Chambers ISD web site.

Practice – Practices are scheduled for February 14 – 16, with the 16th reserved for Mock Tryouts. Candidates may NOT receive help of any kind from any 8th grade cheerleader outside of these official tryout practices. Anyone proven to have broken this rule will be disqualified from trying out or will be removed from the squad if elected.

Dance Music – Bring a blank CD with your name on it to Ms. Rollo if you would like a burned copy of the music for the dance. CDs received prior to February 10th will be burned and handed out at the first practice.

Other Considerations

Cheerleading is very time consuming, especially in the summer and fall.

Practice generally begins two or three weeks prior to starting school. After school starts, we will usually practice Tuesday and Wednesday after school.

Pep-rallies and football games are generally on Thursdays for eight to ten weeks. Some games are out of town. Cheerleaders will ride the bus to the games. Groups will take turns riding the bus home to put up all of the cheerleading supplies in the gym. The rest of the cheerleaders may ride home with their parents if the parents talk directly to the sponsor and the sponsor approves.

Other activities that a cheerleader will be responsible for attending include, but are not limited to, the Texas Rice Festival Parade and the Follies. Other activities may come up during the year. These will be mandatory.

Cheerleaders will have many responsibilities. They will need to be able to keep up their class work, maintain their grades and attend all practices and games with the proper attire and supplies.

Fundraising is a mandatory part of being a cheerleader. Fundraisers will be determined throughout the year by the sponsor. Participation is required, and demerits may be given for nonparticipation.

East Chambers ISD will pay for uniforms. Cheerleaders have the option to purchase these items. They must be turned in or purchased before tryouts next year. Fundraisers pay for most of our other expenses. There are some expenses not covered by ECISD or fundraisers. Cheerleader **parents will be responsible** for paying these expenses. These include, but are not limited to, extra socks, briefs, sports bras, and monogramming on windsuit and cheer bag.

**PERMISSION FOR PARTICIPATION IN
EAST CHAMBERS ISD CHEERLEADING PROGRAM**

*Note: In order to be eligible for tryouts, all forms must be submitted on or before
February 3, 2012, by 3:30 p.m.*

I, _____ (parent), agree to allow my child,
_____ (child's name) to be a cheerleader in the
East Chambers ISD. I understand the voluntary nature of the program and the
activities that will be required of my child. I have read the rules and regulations
and understand that my child must be present for all games and attend all
practices and tryout sessions. Failure to attend all such activities may result in
my child being ineligible for a cheerleading position. I further understand that any
violations of the rules or regulations may result in temporary or permanent
suspension from the squad.

I understand that while student safety and wellbeing are priorities for ECISD, the
District is not responsible for medical costs or other personal expenses
associated with my child's participation in the program. I also understand that
cheerleading and related activities present a risk of physical injury; and I
understand that by participating in the program, my child may be subject to such
risks.

I understand that ECISD, its Trustees, employees, and agents are not waiving
any sovereign or governmental immunity which it or they have under Texas law.

I hereby expressly waive all claims for medical expenses, loss of services, or
other claims; and I agree to hold harmless the District, its Trustees, employees,
and agents from all claims made by third parties against it or them which result
from my child's actions while participating in cheerleading activities.

I understand that my child will be evaluated by qualified judges and agree to
respect the decision of the judges.

I understand there may be some costs related to participating in this activity
which may be my responsibility.

I have read and understand this consent form with knowledge of its significance.
The child named above has my permission to participate in cheerleading tryouts
and related activities if selected for a position effective February 3, 2012.

Parent's Signature

Date

Constitution Agreement Form

I have received a copy of and have read the East Chambers Junior High Cheerleader Constitution. I agree to the terms and understand the responsibilities set up by this constitution. I understand that breaking the rules set up by the constitution could result in demerits, probation, or dismissal from the ECJH Cheerleader Squad.

Participant Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Parent Phone Number: _____

Date: _____

**East Chambers Jr. High
Parental Medical Consent Form**

_____ (*child's name*) has my permission to attend cheerleader practices and tryouts.

In granting my permission I hereby expressly waive any claim for liability against the Board of Education, including its employees and representatives, and release them for all liability in connection with these activities.

I further consent to give permission for school representatives to seek necessary medical attention for my child in the event of illness or injury. I understand that I will be responsible for any costs associated with medical/dental treatment that might be incurred.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date