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Tryout Packet



MISSOURI STATE CHEERLEADING

Tryout Clinic Dates

Sunday, April 3rd
2:00-4:30pm

Saturday, April 9th
12:00-2:30pm

Sunday, April 10th
2:00-4:30pm

Tryout Dates

Friday, April 15th
Starts at 5:00pm

&

Saturday, April 16th
Starts at 9:00am

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Dear Tryout Candidate,

First of all, thank you for your interest in the Cheer Squad at Missouri State University. We are very excited to have you continue a long tradition of individuals who have chosen Missouri State University to further their education, and we are even more excited that you have considered continuing the tradition with the Missouri State Cheer Squad.

The Cheer Squad serves as one of the most visible student groups on campus, and we take pride in the role of University ambassadors, not only at athletic events, but also to the state of Missouri, and the community. The upcoming school year is going to be a year in which we build on our foundation of high standards of excellence and leadership. We have the privilege of cheering at our state of the art 11,000 seat arena, JQH Arena, and our newly renovated Plaster Stadium. The Cheer Squad placed first in their division among the nation's best in the country at UCA Virtual College 2021 Nationals and has been a top contender in the past years.

Tryouts for the 2022 season will be a 2-day process and will begin April 15th, 2022 and end April 16th, 2022, at which time we will be selecting the squad for the 2022-2023 school year. All of the items needed to tryout are in this packet. Preceding the tryout date, we will host three additional tryout clinics. One of the three clinics are required to attend the selection process of the team. The dates for all clinics are on the Information Sheet. The information contained in this packet is everything you need to know to try out for the Missouri State Cheer Squad. If you have any questions regarding any of the information contained on the following pages or have a question regarding anything related to Missouri State University, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Will Thomas

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Head Cheerleading & Mascot Coach
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Tryout Clinic Information

The Tryout Clinics are specifically designed to help with Co-Ed and Group Partner Stunting, Tumbling, and prepare the Missouri State Fight Song. Participants also benefit by personally meeting with the coach and learning first-hand information about the tryout process. ***Participation at 1 of the clinics is required to tryout, but all clinics are encouraged.***

Clinic #1

Sunday, April 3rd, 2022

2-4:30pm

\$20 Fee

Clinic #2

Saturday, April 9th, 2022

12-2:30pm

\$20 Fee

Clinic #3

Sunday, April 10th, 2022

2-4:30pm

\$20 Fee

All clinics are held at:

Hammons Student Center - West Court

661 John Q Hammons Parkway

Springfield, MO 65897

If attending more than one clinic and plan to attend tryouts, one check can be submitted for the total fee of the attending clinic(s) and tryout. Each are \$20.

Clinic Requirements

To participate in the tryout clinics and tryout you must have:

1. Signed Release Form– (tryout participants under 18 years old must also have the form signed by a parent/guardian) – due at the first clinic you attend. If you have a liability form on file with Coach Will from a previous clinic you will not need to sign or provide another.
Attached at the end of this packet.
2. Clinic fee (each clinic as well as the tryout fee is \$20, make checks payable to MSU cheer/cash)
3. Proper clinic attire

Ladies: cheer shoes, athletic shorts or spandex, t-shirt & sports bra

Men: tennis shoes, shorts & t-shirt

The above is required for participation at the clinic... no exceptions.

Returning MSU Cheerleaders must turn in all of these required items to be eligible for the 2022-2023 tryouts.

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Tryout Information

Dates: April 15th & 16th

Prior to tryouts, at least one of the above clinics is required. All are encouraged.

Day 1 Schedule

Friday, April 15th, 2022

-Registration **4:00pm-5:00pm**

\$20 Fee

Hammons Student Center - West Court

661 John Q Hammons Parkway

Springfield, MO 65897

-Warm up **4:45pm**

-Tryout process to start at **5:00pm**

-Conclude at **8:00pm**

Those moving into the second day of tryouts, the numbered list will be posted via Instagram, Twitter @mostatecheer by 9:30pm on Friday, April 15th 2022.

Day 2 Schedule

Saturday, April 16th, 2022

-Warm up **8:30am**

-Tryout process and candidate interviews to start at **9:00am**

-Tentative break **Noon-2:00pm**

-Team roster posted by **2:30pm**

via Missouri State Cheer Social Media

1st Team Practice **3-5pm**

Tryout Requirements

1. **Tryout Application*** (Due by 5:00pm on Thursday, April 14th, 2022)

Google Form linked [HERE](#)

Scan QR code ->



**M Number required in tryout application to show acceptance into Missouri State.*

2. All requirements from the clinic information above (#1-3)

See above.

3. **Tryout Appearance/Attire**

- Tryout participants may not wear apparel that identifies them with a particular squad or school. No high school, college, all-star squad apparel or competition shirts will be allowed.
- Generic apparel with the Missouri State logo is recommended.
- No jewelry of any kind is permitted at tryouts, tryout clinics, or any practice, appearance or performance throughout the year. These standards are in accordance with the USA Safety Rules, and following these rules at all times is mandatory.
- Ladies: cheer shoes, maroon or black sports bra/t-shirt, maroon, gray or black spandex/shorts, hair half up with a white bow, make-up and lip color should project a collegiate image.
- Men: Maroon, White or Black t-shirt, White, Maroon or Black athletic shorts, Athletic/cheer Shoes, clean shaven

4. Tryout Processing Fee \$20 (make checks payable to MSU cheer/cash)

All clinics and tryouts are closed to the public. Only those participating will be allowed into the gym/facility.

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Medical and Liability Release

Participant's Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

I hereby release Missouri State University, its Board members, officers, agents and employees (collectively referred to as "the University") from all claims I may have for injuries or damages, which may result from my participation in activities with the Missouri State University Spirit Squads Program, including Tryout Clinics and Tryouts. I understand the possible risks associated with being able to participate in these activities and release all such claims even though the claim may arise out of the negligence or carelessness on the part of the University, or any third person, whether foreseen or unforeseen, known or unknown. I further covenant not to sue the University for any such claim.

I authorize and provide consent for licensed medical providers to administer any medical procedure or treatment which may be deemed medically advisable by the attending physician, including diagnostic testing and examination should I become injured or sick while participating in activities with the Missouri State University Spirit Squads Program, including tryout clinics, tryouts, and all other activities.

Participant Signature _____ DOB: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

(required if participant is under 18 years old - I agree to all of the conditions set forth above for my son/daughter)

Missouri State University does not provide accident or health insurance, and will not pay for any medical expenses incurred by me. Participants are required to have medical insurance and provide the information below.

Health Insurance Provider _____ Policy/Group# _____

Emergency Contact Information

Name _____ Relationship: _____

Phone# (_____) _____