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Cheerleading Tryout Packet 2022

April 14th: Tryout Registrations Due (drop off at BHBC in the back Children's Lobby from 5 to 7)

April 21st: Formal Tryout



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Tryout Information

This packet includes tryout information for rising sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students in the Harrison High School District that are interested in cheering for the Harrison Junior Hoya Cheer Program (HJCP).

Tryout Registration Drop Off:

April 14th - 5 to 7pm @ Burnt Hickory Baptist Church in the back Children's Lobby (back parking lot)

There will not be an informational tryout meeting this year. Registration Packet and \$50 tryout fee will be turned in at Burnt Hickory Baptist Church in the back Children's Lobby any time between 5pm and 7pm. Please review the tryout information in this packet including squad rules/expectations, tryout requirements, and other important information.

Tryout Dates:

Saturday, April 16th: Instructional tryout dance video will be available on the website

Monday, April 18th: Instructional tryout cheer/chant video will be available on the website

***Thursday, April 21st:** 5:00 – 7:00pm – Tryouts

Saturday, April 23rd: Squad Selections will be sent via Remind

Tuesday, April 26th: MANDATORY booster club meeting for parents of selected cheerleaders – BHBC Room 291 at 6:30pm

*Specific tryout information will be sent out via email the week of tryouts. This email will include your cheerleader's tryout time and number.

Tryout Location:

Harrison High School – Small Gym

Cheer candidates must be dropped off at the gym parking lot, where they will sign in and get their tryout number in the gym lobby. This is a closed tryout and parents are not needed for check in.

Tryout Dress Code:

- Cheer shorts with NO LOGO'S (navy or black)
- Solid white t-shirt with NO LOGO'S (no embroidery, prints, etc.)
- Hair up in a high pony with a **solid white bow** (NO LOGO'S)
- White cheer/athletic shoes with no show white socks
- No jewelry



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Instructional Videos:

There will be NO instructional clinic this year. All instructional material will be available virtually on the website. The video for the dance will be available April 16th. The videos for the cheer and chant will be available April 18th. Cheerleaders will be responsible for teaching themselves the cheer, chant, and dance given the instructional videos.

Tryout:

Cheerleaders will perform the tryout cheer, chant, and dance in front of a panel of judges. Candidates will be judged on jumps (toe touch and optional jump), motion technique, knowledge, appearance, spirit, and skill. **Candidates trying out for the Competition squad will be judged on tumbling. Tumbling is required for competition with a minimum of a RO/rebound, but we are looking for higher level tumbling skills as well.** Cheerleaders will try out one at a time, not in groups.

Eligibility:

To be eligible for tryouts, cheer candidates must reside in the Harrison High School (HHS) attendance zone, or be eligible to attend a HHS feeder school according to the Cobb County Board of Education Attendance policies.

Sideline Squads:

The Junior Hoya Cheer Program consists of 3 sideline squads: 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. Each squad size will be selected based on scoring scales. Size will vary based on the talent level of each group's candidates. Sideline squads will support its corresponding athletic teams during the entire football season including playoffs. *Sideline squads will practice once a week (Tuesdays) and cheer at the Saturday football games during the 2022 season. There will be one mandatory camp during the summer (June 15th – 16th).* There will also be multiple practices and team bonding activities over the summer.

Competition Squad:

The Junior Hoya Cheer Program has one competition squad consisting of 6th, 7th, and 8th grade cheerleaders. The squad size will vary based on talent and skill levels assessed at tryouts and is determined by the competition coach. **A RO/rebound is a minimum requirement to be considered for the competition squad.** We are looking for higher level tumbling as well. Tumbling will be evaluated at tryouts. *The competition squad will practice twice a week (Mondays and Thursdays) and participate in competitions on Saturdays and Sundays during the 2022 season. There will be a mandatory choreography camp during the summer (July 12th – 13th) in addition to two weekly practices.*

Tryout Results:

Tryout results will be sent via Remind on April 23rd by 5:00pm. Each cheer candidate will receive a message with the list of candidates, by tryout number, that were selected for each squad. Make sure to sign up for the Junior Hoya Cheer Tryout Remind (text @jhct22 to 81010).



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Requirements for Tryouts

1. Fill out and submit the Harrison Junior Hoya Cheer Tryout Survey, found on our website <https://hoyajrcheer.webstarts.com>.
 2. Sign up for the Tryout Remind Group: text @jhct22 to 81010
 3. You must complete and sign all forms included in the **Junior Hoya Cheer Registration Packet** (found on our website). **These forms are to be turned in on April 14th. Drop off will be at BHBC in the back Children's Lobby from 5 to 7pm.**
 4. You must submit the \$50 non-refundable tryout fee with the registration packet. Make check payable to HJCBC.
 5. You must submit a copy of ParentVue showing Q3 grades. Cheerleaders are expected to maintain high academic and behavior standards. Candidates must be passing all classes and have a conduct grade of "S" or higher.
 6. Cheer candidates must obtain **two** teacher recommendations. Teacher recommendation form is found on our website <https://hoyajrcheer.webstarts.com>. **Cheerleaders must provide their teacher with the website link.** Recommendations are filled out electronically. Teacher recommendations are due April 14th.
 7. Summer vacation plans need to be emailed to Laura James by April 14th. These are confirmed vacations that will result in your cheerleader being absent at any point this summer. This is important so that we can plan summer practices accordingly. Your cheerleader is expected to be at every summer practice unless excused by the emailed vacation plans.
 8. Guardians of selected cheerleaders must attend the Booster Club meeting on April 26th.
- *For additional question, please contact Laura James at hshoyacheer@gmail.com.*

Required Physical

All cheerleaders **selected** for the 2022 cheer season must have a current physical.

Each cheerleader is required to have a Medical Release/Physical Form on file for the upcoming season and should be dated no earlier than June 7th, 2021 (must be current within a year). This form must be completed, signed by an M.D. or D.O. and turned in to your Team mom by June 7th (for sideline cheerleaders) or June 13th (for competition only cheerleaders). You CANNOT begin practice, go to camp or participate in any cheerleading activity without a physical on file with Harrison Junior Cheerleading Board. Physical forms are available on the website.



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Important Tryout Dates:

- 📢 April 14th Tryout paperwork deadline, drop off at BHBC (back Children's Lobby) from 5 to 7
 - Tryout Registration Packet due (found on website), copy of Q3 grades
 - \$50 tryout fee is due
- 📢 April 16th Instructional tryout dance video will be available on the website
- 📢 April 18th Instructional tryout cheer and chant videos will be available on the website
- 📢 April 21st Formal Tryout 5:00 – 7:00pm HHS Small Gym
- 📢 April 23rd Tryout results will be sent via Remind by 5:00pm

Additional Dates for selected cheerleaders:

- 📢 April 26th **MANDATORY Post Tryout Booster Club Meeting, 6:30pm @ BHBC Room 291**
- 📢 May 2nd Used Uniform Sale – room 291 at 6:00pm
- 📢 May 12th **Varsity Uniform Fitting**
- 📢 June 7th First Summer Sideline Practice
 - will continue throughout the summer on Tuesdays
 - Physicals due for sideline cheerleaders
- 📢 June 15th-16th **MANDATORY Sideline Camp 9:00am – 2:00pm @ Stingray Allstars**
- 📢 June 13th First Summer Competition Practice
 - Comp practices twice a week during the summer (Mondays and Thursdays)
 - Physicals due for competition only cheerleaders
- 📢 July 12th-13th **MANDATORY Competition Choreo Camp 9am – 2pm @ Stingray Allstars**

*Above dates are subject to change

Financial Information

All amounts are projected and represent estimated cost. Payment schedules will be provided to elected cheerleaders at the Post Tryout Booster Club Meeting after the squad has been chosen.

2022 ESTIMATED COSTS:

Estimated Sidelines Squad Cost: \$950

Estimated Competition Squad Cost: \$1,300

Total amount is different for each cheerleader depending on what she needs. The Financial Policy will be available at the April 26th Booster Club meeting for more specific information. Returning cheerleaders do not have to purchase all new items.

****Tryout Registration Packet is found on our website****

Questions: Laura James at bhshoyacheer@gmail.com

