

## MANDATORY PARENT MEETING

Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 6:00 pm

SAHS Media Center



Hello!

Thank you for your interest in the SAHS Cheerleading program. It is very important for each parent and child to understand that there is a great deal of commitment and dedication involved with being a cheerleader.

The SAHS cheer program has evolved over the past several years. We began competing at the state level three years ago. We intend to continue that tradition and are making several changes this year that will enhance the SAHS cheer program.

This year there will only be one cheerleading squad. This team will consist of a minimum of 24 girls. The squad will cheer for all Varsity football games, all home JV football games, and select varsity and JV basketball games. In addition, 16 of the girls will be selected to compete at four competitions including the FHSAA state competition held in Orlando, FL.

The tryout date for this cheer season will be Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 4:30pm. Practice dates will be Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4:15-6:15pm. Both the practices and the tryout will take place in the SAHS gym. All events are mandatory to be eligible for tryouts. All participants must have an up to date physical completed prior to the tryout/clinic dates.

Enclosed in this packet is financial information, judging criteria, sample judging score sheets, and important upcoming dates that you need to remember. At the mandatory parent meeting held Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 6:00 pm additional forms will be given to those interested in participating. You and a parent/guardian must attend the meeting to be eligible for tryouts.

I look forward to meeting you in a few weeks. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have.

In Jacket Spirit,

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**Financial Obligations:**

Finances are a big responsibility of the cheerleaders and their parents. We have worked hard to reduce the cost of cheerleading as much as possible. The following is a break down of the amount required for participation on the cheerleading squad. All items will be different from previous years so there is no discount price for returning cheerleaders.

Fair Share/Participation Fee: \$100

Uniform: \$120

Shoes: \$50

Underarmor: \$20

Bloomers: \$20

Warm-ups: \$70

Camp: \$150

Camp Clothes: \$70

Cheer Bag: \$30

Poms: \$20

Jerseys: \$50

\*Competition: \$100

**Total: \$800**

\*Competition fees will only apply to the 16 girls who become members of the competition squad. Additional fundraisers will be available for this fee. The cost for all girls not competing is \$700.

**Fundraisers:**

Football program ad sales will go directly to cheerleading dues. The more ads you sell the less out of pocket expense. In addition we will have car washes, scratch off cards, business donations, and other potential fundraisers in order to offset the high cost of cheerleading. We will conduct additional fundraisers to cover competition fees.

**Payment Plan:**

The payment plan is listed below. It is very important that you make your payments on time. If you do not make your payments you will be put on the owe list at school. This means that you will not be able to attend homecoming or other school dances, nor will seniors be able to attend any end of the year functions (prom, grad bash, graduation, etc.)

Friday May 13<sup>th</sup>- \$200

Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$200

Friday July 8<sup>th</sup>- \$200

Friday August 5<sup>th</sup>- \$200 (only \$100 if not on the competition squad)

If you are unable to make these deadlines please discuss other payment plan options with the coaching staff. Not paying on time will result in being benched from cheer activities unless an alternate payment plan has been discussed.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **What do I need to bring?**

All required paperwork must be brought with you on the first practice day. Remember, this is part of your tryout score. This includes: physical form, parental permission form, constitution verification forms, internet waiver, and teacher evaluations (3) in sealed envelopes. Missing paperwork will result in loss of points toward your tryout score.

You may also want to bring water and/or healthy snacks for nourishment.

### **What do I need to wear?**

You may wear any type of athletic clothing to the practices. No denim, no “booty” shorts, no sports bra tops, no flip-flops, no spaghetti strap tank tops, no jazz shoes, etc. Ideal clothing is athletic shorts, a t-shirt, and tennis shoes. If it is questionable, do not wear it.

For tryouts, you must wear solid colors. This means solid colored shorts and t-shirts, no printing or logos can be on the clothing. You may wear hair ribbons if you choose. It is recommended that you and your partner match but it is not required.

### **What about partners?**

You may choose three partners to tryout with. You will do the cheer and dance in pairs and then you will be required to do two stunts with your entire group of four. Your group must consist of two bases, one flyer, and one back spot. All jumps will be performed individually.

### **Can my parents watch tryouts?**

Yes, friends and family are allowed to watch tryouts. The cost is \$5. Anyone 5 years and older may attend. No exceptions. It is also required that family and friends sit in the stands quietly during tryouts. No talking or yelling is allowed. There will be intermittent breaks for people, however, no one will be allowed to enter or exit while someone is trying out. Also, you must remain with the cheerleaders until tryouts are over.

### **When will I know if I made it?**

The results will be posted outside of both doors of the media center on Wednesday, May 4 after tryouts are complete and final tabulations have been made. This is usually an hour after tryouts end. Please do not call the coach to find out if you made the squad. The results will remain posted until 4:00pm on Thursday, May 5 and will then be removed. The results will be posted according to tryout number, no names will be used. Judges decisions are final. There will be practice on Thursday, May 5 for all cheerleaders from 4-6pm and a mandatory parent meeting at 6:15pm.

## **SAHS 2011 Cheerleading Tryouts**

### **What are we looking for???**

**Cheer:** (20 points)-voice projection, accuracy of movements, sharpness of motions, enthusiasm, confidence, is the last word louder

**Dance:** (20 points)-sharpness of motions, facials, accuracy of movements, crowd appeal, jumps, and overall energy

**Stunt:** (15 points)-flyer facials, stability, technique, difficulty, safety, and overall effect

**Jumps:** (10 points)- height, technique, flexibility, difficulty, pointed toes, and chest up

**Tumbling:** (5 points)- difficulty, technique

**Overall Motion Technique and Placement:** (10 points)

**Spirit:** (10 points)- enthusiasm, ability to lead crowd, no wooing

**Facials:** (5 points)- smile and have fun!

**Appearance:** (5 points)- shirt tucked in, minimal make-up, no jewelry, no nail polish, hair pulled out of face

**Teacher Evaluation Scores:** (100 points)

**Paper Work:** (100 points)

**SAMPLE**

JUDGE: \_\_\_\_\_

**SAHS Cheerleading Tryouts 2011**

	<b>Possible Points</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Cheer	20		
Dance	20		
Stunt	15		
Jumps	10		
Tumbling	5		
Overall Motions	10		
Spirit	10		
Facial	5		
Overall Appearance	5		

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(out of a possible 100 points)**

## Paper Work Check Off

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Form</b>	<b>Possible Points</b>	<b>Date Turned In</b>	<b>Initials</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
General Information	10			
Physical	10			
Parent Permission/Constitution	10			
Student Constitution Verification	10			
Internet Waiver	10			
Teacher Evaluation	15			
Teacher Evaluation	15			
Teacher Evaluation	15			
Bonus for everything on Day 1	5			
Total	100			

## SAHS Cheerleading Tryouts 2011 Tally Sheet

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

	Possible Points	Earned Points
Judge #1	100	
Judge #2	100	
Judge #3	100	
Teacher Evaluations	100	
Paperwork	100	
<b>Total</b>	500	

SAMPLE

## **Remember...**

**Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm in the SAHS Media Center**

*Mandatory guardian/student informational meeting*

This meeting is very crucial to your participation in the SAHS cheerleading program. We will go over all requirements for tryouts and cheer financial information. You will also be able to meet the coach and voice any questions or concerns you may have.

**Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4:15-6:15pm in the SAHS Gym**

**Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4:15-6:15pm in the SAHS Gym**

*Tryout Practice*

This is your opportunity to learn all of the required material for tryouts, including a cheer, dance, jumps, and stunts. This will be your only time to practice stunts with your tryout group. Your physical must be turned in by the first practice day otherwise you will not be able to practice. All forms must be turned in on the first day to receive extra points toward your tryout score.

**Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 4:30pm in the SAHS Gym**

*Tryouts*

Tryouts will begin at 4:30 pm. Students will be able to practice with their groups from 3:15-4:15 before tryouts begin. Please remember the proper outfit requirements for tryouts. All windows and doors will be closed, however friends and family are allowed to watch quietly in the gym. There is a \$5 admission fee for ages 5 and up, no exceptions.

**Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 to 6:00 at the SAHS track**

*First Practice and Parents Meeting*

The cheerleading squad will have its first practice at the SAHS track the day following tryouts. There will be a parent meeting in the media center at 6:15pm, parents **MUST** attend. This meeting will be a welcome and fundraiser meeting.

**Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

*First payment*

First payment of \$200 is due. Remember you must make your first payment on time. This money collected goes straight to camp over the summer. If no payment is made you cannot attend camp and therefore cannot be a part of the squad.

**Friday June 10<sup>th</sup>-Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> Clay County UCA Day Camp**

*Summer Camp*

The cheerleading team will be attending day camp in Fleming Island on the dates listed above. Transportation will be determined and announced at a later date.