

Bishop Watterson High School



**BISHOP WATTERSON
CHEERLEADING**

CHEER TRYOUT PACKET

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT HEAD COACH
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**Bishop Watterson High School
Cheerleading Tryout Information Packet**

Tryout Clinic Date - June 13, 2022 at Americheer
5-7pm Clinic is for all levels

Team Placement Date: June 15, 2022 at Bishop Watterson Aux Gym
5:00-6:30pm Tryouts for Varsity (**Juniors and Seniors only**)
6:45-7:45pm Tryouts for JV (**Sophomores only**)
8:00-9:00pm Tryouts for Freshman

Location for Tryouts:

Americheer is located at 20 Collegeview Road, Westerville
Bishop Watterson is located at 99 E. Cooke Road, Columbus

Attire:

White T-shirt (No V-necks), dark shorts, athletic shoes and hair pulled back out of face. No jewelry of any kind!

Tryout Information

1. The Bishop Watterson cheerleading coaches will choose the squad members.
2. The decisions of the coaches are final. If you have questions concerning the procedures for tryouts and squad placements please make sure that you ask them **prior** to the date of **tryouts in June**.
3. Cheerleading tryouts are closed to the public. **Cheerleaders must be present for tryouts and evaluations.** There will be no makeup tryouts.
4. Cheerleaders will need to practice and exhibit the same skills displayed at tryouts throughout the season either on the track and/or basketball court. If the cheerleader cannot practice and exhibit these skills, she may be ineligible to cheer. The cheerleader, depending on the circumstances, may be dismissed from the squad.
5. All gymnastics skills must be performed unaided and without a spotter.
*** All skills must land in a safe and appropriate manner.
6. At the conclusion of tryouts, each cheerleader will be called by a BWHS cheer coach and will be told which squad(s) she has made.
7. Fittings for shoes, practice gear, new uniforms (when applicable), and warm-ups will take place **Thursday June 16** at Bishop Watterson. Please meet in

Dominican Hall. Please come during your assigned time. You will not be fitted until your designated time slot, unless we are ahead of schedule. Please wait in the lobby until the squad before you have been fitted. We will call you in when it is your time.

Varsity fitting	9 am
JV fitting	9:30 am
Freshman fitting	10 am

Seasonal Information and Expectations

1. Cheerleaders are expected to attend and participate actively at all school practices and games through the conclusion of their season. Practices may be any day Monday-Thursday during season. Flexibility in our practice schedule is necessary due to school calendar, teacher commitments and responsibilities. Failure to do so may result in the dismissal from the squad. Missing games and/or practice may result in a one game suspension. If the cheerleader misses more than one game and/or numerous practices the cheerleader may be dismissed from the squad.

2. During the year, there are three practices per week, and one to three games (depending on the season).

3. **Fall cheerleaders** begin practice the first week in August. Fall cheerleaders will cheer until approx. November 1 for JV and Freshman. Varsity may cheer until the end of November.

Winter cheerleaders will cheer from November until approx. mid-March for Varsity. JV and Freshman will cheer until approx. mid-February.

4. In order to maintain eligibility, a cheerleader must have/ do the following:
- Have passing grades, failure of 2 or more classes will automatically result in ineligibility.
 - Perform the same skills during practices and games as was performed at tryouts.

Note: If this is not attained, the cheerleader may be required to sit out, or may be asked to leave the squad.

5. Cheerleaders will be expected to fully participate in each practice, game, activity, pep rally, etc. This includes wearing the correct practice gear, uniform to school, uniform to game, having poms, having rain gear, etc. Failure to do so may

be the cause and/or the reason for the cheerleader to sit out of games, up to being dismissed from the squad.

6. Being late to an event, game, practice, without prior permission from the coaches, may result in not participating in an event up to being dismissed from the squad. Please plan accordingly for away games (traffic during rush hour and/or weather causing delays). Excessive tardies to games may result in the cheerleader sitting out from the game.

7. Cheerleaders who do not meet the coaches' expectations for knowing and performing material will not cheer and may be dismissed from the squad.

8. Summer lifting and conditioning will take place to help the girls with strength and flexibility to prepare for their season. Conditioning will continue during the season as well. Coach Mong, our weight trainer, will be working with the girls during these sessions. We believe working with Coach Mong will be extremely beneficial to the girls and the cheer program.

Cheerleading Price List

(Prices are estimates and subject to change)

Many items can be used for several years and need not be purchased each year. We have made an attempt to keep costs down after the first year by reusing practice wear and other items.

Yearly Expenses

BWHS Athletic fee	\$200
Summer camp	\$100-250 ***

One Time expenses (based upon normal wear and tear)

Shoes	\$80
Warm up jacket/pants	\$150-200(optional-to own)
Spanks(cardinal)	\$12
Bows(additional)	\$10 optional
Extra practice gear	optional

Purchased by Cheerleading Funds

1 Bow
Practice tank/ shirt- each year
Practice shorts - each year
Poms
Rain gear- football cheerleaders only
Bag

Any lost items or damage to any equipment or attire must be replaced by the cheerleader during season.

If you are selected to be a member of the squad and are in financial need, please contact Erin Gruver as soon as possible in order to make arrangements.

TEAM PLACEMENT REQUEST SHEET

Please feel free to ask questions about your options. Coach Gruver and Coach Rush will verify your understanding of this form. This form is due by the Team Placement date which is stated on page two of this packet.

Name _____ Grade **IN THE FALL** _____

Cell # _____

Parents email _____

Cheer Candidates **I would be willing to cheer for:**

This is a request sheet only. Please mark the squad(s) for which you prefer to cheer in order of preference, with 1 being your first choice. If there is a team you would not be willing to cheer for, leave it blank. There is no guarantee you will earn a place on the team you are requesting.

_____ Football

_____ Basketball

Information I would like the coaching staff to know about team placement/ schedule/etc.

Read and MARK one of the following choices below:

I would like to be considered for both FALL **and** WINTER cheer team

_____ YES

_____ NO

I have completely read the cheerleading information packet and understand the information contained within.

Cheer Candidate Signature

Parent Signature

