

## Walton Middle School Cheerleading Tryouts

2020-2021 School Year

**All info can be found at <https://wms.walton.k12.fl.us/cheerleading>**

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<b><u>In order to tryout for the WMS Cheerleading Squad, you must meet the following requirements:</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Have a current (valid at least through July 1, 2020) sports physical—AVAILABLE FROM THE WMS OFFICE, OR WMS WEBSITE. <b>You MUST have OUR SPECIFIC physical packet from WMS.</b> <i>NO student will be allowed in any practice or tryout without the completed physical and consent forms.</i></li><li>• Minimum 2.0 GPA</li><li>• Completed WMS Cheerleading Application- Available on the WMS Website or paper copies available in WMS office (<i>online application is the preferred method</i>)</li><li>• \$10 Tryout Fee—nonrefundable, cash or check payable to WMS</li></ul>
<b><u>Tryout Requirements</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dance (Taught during practice appointments OR through shared video during tryout week)</li><li>• Cheer (Taught during practice appointments OR through shared video during tryout week)</li><li>• Toe-Touch Jump</li><li>• Gymnastics (Cartwheel, Round-Off, or anything more advanced that you can perform without assistance)</li></ul>
<b><u>Pre-Tryout Information Session</u></b>	<p>An optional Zoom meeting will be setup for Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30PM, and will explain information about this new tryout process, as well as the expectations and responsibilities if selected for the squad.</p> <p><a href="https://rebrand.ly/wmscheermeeting">https://rebrand.ly/wmscheermeeting</a></p>
<b><u>Tryout Application</u></b>	<p>The WMS Cheer Tryout Application is available online at the following link <a href="https://rebrand.ly/wmscheerapp">https://rebrand.ly/wmscheerapp</a></p> <p>While the online application is the preferred method, a paper application is available in the WMS Office.</p> <p><b>ALL Cheer applications are due NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup>, at 3:00PM.</b></p> <p>Any applications submitted after the due date cannot be guaranteed a practice appointment. *It is important that you complete the ENTIRE application in order to select tryout appointment times.</p>
<b><u>Tryout Week Format</u></b>	<p>Practice appointments will take place on Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, and Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>; from 7:30AM- 5:00PM. (Appointments will be scheduled through the tryout application, and confirmed through Mrs. Brown.)</p> <p>In accordance with WCSD, NFHS, and CDC guidelines, students are REQUIRED to submit to screening questions and temperature checks before being admitted to the practice space. Students will NOT be admitted into any practice or tryout space if they are experiencing any of the following risk factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fever (100.3 or higher)</li><li>• Cough</li><li>• Sore Throat</li><li>• Shortness of Breath</li><li>• Close contact with or cared for someone with Covid-19</li></ul> <p>Students will also need to arrive at practice already in practice attire, and bring their own water bottle with them. *Due to CDC guidelines, water fountains are NOT available for use.</p> <p>While attendance at practice sessions is <i>encouraged</i>, it is NOT required. However, attendance at the in-person tryout on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> is necessary for students to be eligible for consideration. <u><i>If the parent/ guardian decides for the student NOT to attend the practice appointments, it is the responsibility of the student to watch the shared videos to be prepared for the actual tryout.</i></u></p>

<p><b><u>Tryout Day:</u></b>  <b><u>Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM</u></b></p>	<p>The in-person tryout will begin at 9:00AM on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. (Students will receive more specific information during tryout week.)</p> <p>Students will be required to remain in their vehicles until the student’s tryout group is called to “warm-up” for a few minutes before their tryout group performs in front of the judges. When their group is finished, groups will be sent back out.</p> <p><b>Students must wear a plain white shirt, blue or black shorts, and athletic shoes for tryouts.</b></p> <p>The tryout results and team selection will be posted later in the day to refrain from encouraging a large gathering of people when the results are posted. (No more than 10 people can be gathered at a time to see the results.)</p>
<p><b><u>If Selected for the 20-21 WMS Cheer Squad</u></b></p>	<p>If selected for the 20-21 Cheer squad, you must be aware of the following requirements:</p> <p><b><u>Costs:</u></b> The total estimated cost for the year is <u>approximately \$400</u>. This includes the cost of mandatory camp, uniform fees, campwear, bows, and/or other items as needed once we select a squad. This price can go up or down depending on restrictions as a result of Covid-19, but this is what we typically need to plan for. <u>Specific costs will be discussed after the squad is selected.</u> (Cheer bags, warm ups, and additional items may be available for purchase, but are not required.)</p> <p><b>***THE FIRST DEPOSIT OF \$150 IS DUE NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, JULY 9<sup>TH</sup>.</b></p> <p><b><u>Practices and Games:</u></b> The scheduling of practices and games will have to go along with guidelines from the WCSD, NFHS, and CDC, and will be provided as we get closer to the start of school.</p>
<p><b><u>Tryout Checklist</u></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Complete WMS Cheer Application: *Online is best method! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Online application: <a href="https://rebrand.ly/wmscheerapp">https://rebrand.ly/wmscheerapp</a></li> <li>○ Paper copies: available at WMS Office</li> </ul> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Up-to-Date Sports Physical: you cannot participate until you have one! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If you have one on file with WMS, it MUST be valid through July 1, 2020</li> <li>○ If you need a new physical, the correct forms can be found on our website: <a href="https://wms.walton.k12.fl.us/cheerleading">https://wms.walton.k12.fl.us/cheerleading</a></li> </ul> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Tryout Information session on Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM  <a href="https://rebrand.ly/wmscheermeeting">https://rebrand.ly/wmscheermeeting</a></li> </ul>