



General Tryout Information

An informational meeting will be held on April 10, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Mountain Lair Rhododendron Room. A registration session will be held immediately following the meeting. If you are unable to attend (attendance not required but encouraged for local candidates), you may mail or e-mail your registration information. Registration paperwork for tryouts must be received by April 19, 2017. Please refer to the tryout checklist on our website to ensure you are completing all the appropriate paperwork and forms. You will receive an e-mail confirmation that you are registered if you do not attend the meeting.

Tryouts will be held April 22 & 23, 2017. Tryouts will be held at the Caperton Indoor Practice Facility. Registration begins at 9:00am on April 22 for those who have not completed their pre-registration. Check-in begins at 9:30am for those who have completed their pre-registration. Tryouts begin at 10:00am and will run until finished. There will be breaks throughout the day as needed. April 23 tryout registration will begin at 12:30pm and the session will run until completed.

Tryouts are closed to the public.

Tryout Sessions (gymnastics, cheer, dance, & partner stunts) will run concurrently for Gold Team and be completed on Day 1. For Blue Team candidates, the partner stunt segment will be on Day 2 for candidates who are selected to participate from Day 1. Cuts will be made if and when the coach deems necessary. Candidates will be notified prior to leaving the Day 1 tryout sessions if cuts are made.

Cheer & dance will be taught at tryouts. Partner stunts will be demonstrated at tryouts to show the technique our judges will be looking for.

Video tryouts are for those with extenuating circumstances only and will be determined by the coaches based on individual requests. Video submission information must be requested via email. Videos will only be accepted through April 21, 2017.

All Candidates

No jewelry or gum allowed. Present a neat, clean, appropriate collegiate appearance at all times. Look "game ready".

Females

What to wear – aerobic clothing or form fitting shirt & shorts, clean cheerleading shoes, hair away from face, make-up should be natural looking and not overdone.

Evaluated on:

- Cheer
- Dance
- Gymnastics – standing back handspring (required), round-off series of 3 back handsprings (required), standing tuck (evaluated), & choice pass (evaluated)
- Individual Skills – toe-touch, standing right heel stretch, left heel stretch, & scorpion
- Partner Stunts - Assisted Toe Touch, Toss Hands, Extension, Liberty, Heel stretch

Males

What to wear: Shorts, t-shirt, clean gym shoes

Evaluated on:

- Cheer
- Partner Stunts - Assisted Toe Touch, Toss Hands, Extension, Liberty, Heel stretch
- Gymnastics – may be performed , but is not required

Contributing factors to selection:

- Tardy, Absence, Discipline, & Injury Records
- Work Ethics
- Years of experience vs. Level of stunt performance
- Ability to maintain skill levels
- Cooperation with coach, team & training Staff
- Positive self/ cheer team/University representation
- Dedication/Commitment to Team
- Is the candidate coachable
- Potential
- GPA

Results:

Tryout Results will be announced on the WVU sports website. It will be posted under news and generally there is a link on the cheerleading website as well. If technology should fail, then you will be notified via e-mail or phone call if you have been selected for the team. Date and time of announcement will be given at tryouts.

Gold team candidates must indicate ahead of time to the coaches whether or not you would accept a Blue Team or alternate position if not selected for Gold Team. If a candidate is willing to accept another position, it in no way affects whether or not they will be selected for Gold Team. Incoming freshmen are only eligible for Blue Team selection.

****All candidates must provide proof of current insurance as well as proof of insurance coverage in Morgantown, WV (minimally emergency room coverage). New candidates must also have proof of a physician's physical (within last year of tryout dates).**

Please send all completed registration forms to:

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