



**BARTLESVILLE  
CHEER**

**2021-2022**

**TRYOUT MEETING PACKET**

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**Bartlesville Bruin Cheer**

**WELCOME LETTER**

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Dear Prospective Cheerleader & Parent/Guardian,

Thank you for your interest in trying out for a 2021-2022 cheer squad at Bartlesville Public Schools. We appreciate your enthusiasm and interest in our program and are so excited to see what the new school year holds. Included in this packet you will find information that will explain the tryout process, membership guidelines, and general information that all members (and parents) will need to be aware of before trying out. We take pride in our program and want the very best for all members of each squad.

The purpose of the cheer squads at Bartlesville Public Schools are to promote school spirit, support various organized activities, represent the school, and provide positive leadership in all aspects of school life. These squads will promote and encourage student body involvement and will exemplify loyalty, cooperation, and positive attitudes in and out of uniform. This can be a truly rewarding experience for each of you, but it also requires a tremendous time commitment. Cheer is a year round sport!!! Additionally, squad members must be able to work well with others; as cheer is a team sport! Please be aware of this as you prepare to take on the challenges and responsibilities of becoming a member of one of the Bartlesville Cheer Squads.

Parents, please also understand that when your child makes a squad there are some responsibilities on your part as well. The cheerleaders have to work together as a team, as do the parents. Trust, commitment, and communication is required of all members, coaches, parents, and administrators to be successful. Once selected for a squad you will be financially obligated to pay for all expenses. It is not a cheap sport, but as parents you must make the commitment to either pay for the items or be willing to organize and participate in fundraisers through the Bruin Cheerleading Booster Club (BCBC) to offset the cost to participate.

Candidates wishing to try out for a position on any cheer squad and their parent must read through the attached information. After reading and being in full agreement, both student and parent signatures are required indicating that, if selected, both agree to abide by the information provided.

Please contact [bartlesvillecheer@gmail.com](mailto:bartlesvillecheer@gmail.com) with any questions. Thank you so much for your interest in Bartlesville Cheer and GOOD LUCK to each of you!!

Sincerely,

*Chelsea Boyd*

Chelsea Boyd  
Head Varsity Coach

# Bartlesville Bruin Cheer

## TRYOUT REGISTRATION FORM

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All required information (indicated by \*) in the online Tryout Registration Form must be filled out and submitted in order for the prospective cheerleader to participate in clinic and tryouts. The online form can be filled out by going to:

**[www.bartlesvillecheer.com](http://www.bartlesvillecheer.com)**

Select “*Program Info*” → “*Tryouts*” → “*Tryout Registration Form*”

If a required question does not apply to the prospective cheerleader, enter “not applicable” or “none” in order to submit the form. Please submit this form by Monday, March 22.

Squad Designation Question (to be filled out online):

- Choose each squad that you would like to be considered for -- You may check more than one choice\*
  - JV Cheer Squad
  - Varsity Competitive Cheer Squad
  - Not Applicable -- I am trying out for the Middle School Squad

### Bartlesville Bruin Cheer -- Tryout Registration

Your response has been recorded.

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# Bartlesville Bruin Cheer

## TRYOUT DATES & GUIDELINES

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### MIDDLE SCHOOL TRYOUTS

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- ❖ WHEN: MONDAY, MARCH 22 – 5:30pm to 8:30pm  
TUESDAY, MARCH 23 – 5:30pm to 8:30pm  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24 – 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- ❖ WHERE: BARTLESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CHEER GYM
- ❖ RESULTS: THE NEW SQUAD LIST WILL BE POSTED ON THE BARTLESVILLECHEER.COM WEBSITE THE EVENING OF WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24 AS SOON AS THE SQUAD IS FINAL

### HIGH SCHOOL TRYOUTS

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- ❖ WHEN: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24 – 5:30pm to 8:30pm  
THURSDAY, MARCH 25 – 5:30pm to 8:30pm  
FRIDAY, MARCH 26 – 4:30pm to 7:30pm
- ❖ WHERE: BARTLESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CHEER GYM
- ❖ RESULTS: THE NEW SQUAD LISTS WILL BE POSTED ON THE BARTLESVILLECHEER.COM WEBSITE SATURDAY, MARCH 27

### NEW SQUADS PICNIC

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- ❖ WHEN: SATURDAY MARCH 27, NOON
- ❖ WHERE: BARTLESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CHEER GYM
- ❖ WHO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL, JV, AND VARSITY CHEER SQUADS

# Bartlesville Bruin Cheer

## TRYOUT DATES & GUIDELINES

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### TRYOUT GUIDELINES

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- ❖ All prospective cheerleaders and a parent/guardian must attend the mandatory tryout meeting. Any exception must be communicated to and approved by the Head Cheer Coach prior to the tryout meeting. Transfer students from another school district are an automatic exception.
- ❖ The following items must be completed and/or signed in order to be eligible to try out. The tryout contract and participation waiver should be turned in at the end of the tryout meeting.
  - Online Tryout Registration Form by MARCH 22
  - Tryout Contract
  - Participation Waiver (if no athletic physical is currently on file)
- ❖ All prospective cheerleaders must be enrolled as a student in Bartlesville Public Schools to participate in the original three day tryout process. Any students who will be transferring to Bartlesville Public Schools for the 2021-2022 school year will have to wait until officially enrolled and then apply for a transfer consideration.
- ❖ Prospective cheerleaders must attend all three days of the tryouts and participate to their fullest current ability to be eligible to make a cheer squad. Any exception must be communicated to and approved by the Head Cheer Coach. Transfer students from another school district are an automatic exception.
- ❖ All returning members of the Bartlesville Cheer Program must clear all financial accounts (have a \$0 or positive balance) to be eligible to tryout.
- ❖ All participants should arrive 10 minutes before the designated start time each day of tryouts to get signed in. Stretching and warm-ups will begin at exactly 5:30pm.
- ❖ All participants must wear the following to tryouts:
  - Plain White T-Shirt
    - No tank tops, cutoffs, long sleeves, or writing will be allowed
  - Dark Color Athletic Shorts (flyers must wear spunks under, no exceptions)
    - No jeans, jean shorts, or long pants
  - Lace Up, Low Tread Athletic Shoes (cheer shoes preferred)
    - No slip-ons (including Sperry types), sock only, or bare feet
  - Hair Pulled Out of Face in a Ponytail
    - If hair is too short for ponytail it should be pulled back out of face and secured appropriately
  - NO JEWELRY
- ❖ No gum, hard candy, or carbonated beverages will be allowed. Prospective cheerleaders should bring water or sports drink and light snacks (such as crackers) but may only drink or eat during designated breaks.
- ❖ All cell phones must be turned off and out of sight during the entire tryout process. A designated break is NOT an invitation to get on your cell phone!!

# Bartlesville Bruin Cheer

## TRYOUT DATES & GUIDELINES

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### TRYOUT GUIDELINES CONTINUED...

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- ❖ The designation for which squad or squads a candidate is trying out for MUST be made BEFORE the squads are announced. There is a place in the online Tryout Registration Form to make this choice.
- ❖ Current 5<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> Grade candidates may try out for the Middle School Squad ONLY.
- ❖ Current 8<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> Grade candidates may try out for the Junior Varsity Squad only, the Varsity Squad only, or both.
- ❖ Placements on squads will be based off EVALUATIONS of criteria as outlined in the evaluation criteria document received at the Tryout Meeting. Placements will NOT be based off a cheerleader's squad preference or seniority.
- ❖ Only coaches, coaches' designees, and tryout participants will be allowed at tryouts. NO other parties (including parents) will be allowed in the gyms or hallways outside the gyms. Please DO NOT come in a few minutes early to pick up your child and expect to get to watch or receive any information or feedback from coaches.
- ❖ All evaluations will be performed on a matted gym floor. All stunting and tumbling during clinic and for practice will only be allowed on mats and in the presence of a coach or coaches' designee.
- ❖ Each prospective cheerleader will be evaluated on the same set of material by at least 3 coaches or coaches' designees. The cheer and dance will be taught on the first day of tryout clinic and will be new to all participants.
- ❖ THERE ARE NO SCORESHEETS!! Coaches will be happy to give feedback to any tryout PARTICIPANT who comes to them personally and inquires as to areas or skills that they can improve. Any specific notes written during tryouts by the coaches evaluating are confidential and will not be shown to any participant or parent.
- ❖ All participants must remain in the gyms until released by the coaches.
- ❖ Results will be posted on the bartlesvillecheer.com website at the designated time. Middle School squad list will be posted the evening of Wednesday, March 24th as soon as the squad is final. JV and Varsity squad lists will be posted Saturday, March 27th 9:00am. A new squad email with congratulations letter will be sent to all new squad members soon after the squad lists are posted.
- ❖ Once results are posted online, all squad placement decisions made by the coaches are final. After results are posted, if the participant decides not to continue on their placed squad for any reason, the participant will be considered as having quit said squad and will not be allowed to participate with any spirit squad for the 2021-2022 season.
- ❖ All new squad members are expected to attend the New Squads Picnic.

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## TRYOUT EVALUATION CRITERIA

Each prospective cheerleader will be evaluated on the same set of material.

### CHEER (performed in pairs)

Learning/Memorization	How quickly the participate learns and retains the material
Motion Technique	Placement, Sharpness, Execution, Timing
Words/Voice Projection	Loud, Strong, Inflection, Word Enunciation, Energy, Enthusiasm
Expression/Spirit	Facial Projection, Eye Contact, Excitement, Crowd Appeal
Overall Impression	Confidence, Appearance, Coaches Impression, Entertaining

### DANCE (performed in groups of 3)

Learning/Memorization	How quickly the participate learns and retains the material
Motion Technique	Placement, Sharpness, Execution
Timing/Rhythm	Fluid/Ease of Movement, Timing, Staying on Beat
Expression/Spirit	Facial Projection, Eye Contact, Excitement, Crowd Appeal
Overall Impression	Confidence, Appearance, Coaches Impression, Entertaining

### JUMPS (performed individually)

Toe Touch (required for MS & JV)	Prep, Height, Arm Placement, Flexibility, Form, Landing, Precision
Double Toe Touch (required for Varsity)	
Front Hurdler (left or right)	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Jump (any competition level jump or series not already performed)	

### STUNTS (must try out as a base, back spot, or flyer)

Prep with Cradle (required for Middle School)	Technique, Safety, Solid, Precision, Overall Impression
Straight-Up Extension with Cradle (required for JV)	Technique, Safety, Solid, Precision, Overall Impression
Straight-Up Lib with Cradle (required for Varsity)	Technique, Safety, Solid, Precision, Overall Impression
Other Advanced Stunts	Lib to Body Position, Stunt Series, Full Down Cradle

### TUMBLING (spots will NOT be allowed during evaluation of any skill)

Round Off Rebound (recommended for Middle School and JV)	Technique, Safety, Precision, Landing, Finish
Standing Backhandspring Round Off Backhandspring <b>(Must have one for Varsity)</b>	
More Advanced Tumbling Tucks, Layouts, Fulls, Specialty Passes	

## FLYER FLEXIBILITY

Left & Right Leg Heel stretch (flyers only, <b>required for Varsity</b> )	Performed on the ground, kicked from a lib position
Left & Right Leg Arabesque (flyers only, <b>required for Varsity</b> )	Performed on the ground, placed from a lib position
Left Leg Bow & Arrow (flyers only, recommended for Varsity)	Performed on the ground, pulled from a heel stretch
Left Leg Scorpion (flyers only, recommended for Varsity)	Performed on the ground, pulled from a lib position
Left Leg Y-Scale or Needle (flyers only, recommended for Varsity)	Performed on the ground, placed from a lib position

## OTHER (possibly the MOST important criteria)

Attitude	Positive, Respectful
Work Ethic	100% Effort Given, Willingness to Learn and Try
Leadership	Role Model, Willingness to Help, Leads by Example
Spirit	Enthusiasm, Expression, Uplifting, Encouraging
Coachability	Taking Changes/Directions and Implementing Those
Teacher Evaluation	At Least 3 Current Teachers



# Bartlesville Bruin Cheer

## MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

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### MIDDLE SCHOOL SQUAD

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- ❖ Middle School members will be required to cheer at 8<sup>th</sup> Grade football and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade basketball HOME games
- ❖ Middle School cheerleaders will have the option to cheer at wrestling home duals
- ❖ The Middle School Squad may attend out-of-town games and/or events at the discretion of the coach and as budget permits
- ❖ The Middle School Squad will perform at the half time of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade football or basketball home games at the discretion of the coach and as schedule permits
- ❖ The Middle School Squad will compete at one competition in Oklahoma and may attend other competitions as budget or schedule allows
- ❖ Competition practices may be in addition to the spirit practices and may be after school hours, evenings, weekends, and/or holiday breaks
- ❖ Failure to attend any required competition will result in automatic release from the Middle School Cheer Squad

### JUNIOR VARSITY CHEER SQUAD

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- ❖ JV members will be required to cheer at JV and Freshmen football and JV and Freshmen basketball HOME games
- ❖ The JV Cheer Squad may attend out-of-town games and/or events at the discretion of the coach and as budget permits
- ❖ The JV Cheer Squad may perform at the half time of JV or Freshmen football or basketball home games at the discretion of the coach and as schedule permits
- ❖ The JV Cheer Squad members have the option to cheer at home wrestling duals for extra credit
- ❖ The JV Cheer Squad will compete at one competition in Oklahoma and may attend other competitions as budget or schedule allows
- ❖ Competition practices may be in addition to the spirit practices and may be after school hours, evenings, weekends, and/or holiday breaks
- ❖ Failure to attend any required competition will result in automatic release from the JV Cheer Squad

### VARSITY competitive Cheer SQUAD

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- ❖ Varsity is both a spirit squad and the main competitive squad for Bruin Cheer Program. If a member does not wish to participate in extensive competition then that member should opt to only be considered for the JV Cheer Squad.
- ❖ Varsity members will cheer at Varsity football and Varsity basketball games, both home and away
- ❖ The Varsity Competitive Cheer Squad may perform at the half time of Varsity football or basketball home games at the discretion of the coach and as schedule permits
- ❖ Varsity members have the option of cheering at home wrestling duals for extra credit
- ❖ The Varsity Competitive Cheer Squad will compete at a national championship, may compete at OSSAA Regionals/State as well as any local competitions as budget and schedule allows

# Bartlesville Bruin Cheer

## MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

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### VARSIITY competitive Cheer SQUAD cont...

- ❖ Some competitions limit the number of cheerleaders on the floor
- ❖ If the squad size exceeds the competition limits: Varsity members who will compete on the floor at those competitions will be chosen based on an athlete's skill level, behavior and attitude, attendance, coachability, and sportsmanship
- ❖ Any squad member not a floor competitor will be considered an alternate and will attend all practices and competitions and be ready to step in as replacement at any time
- ❖ All decisions on competition division will be at the coach's discretion.
- ❖ Competition practices may be in addition to the spirit practices and may be after school hours, evenings, weekends, and/or holiday breaks
- ❖ Failure to attend any required competition will result in automatic release from the Varsity Competitive Cheer Squad

### SQUAD MEMBER EXPECTATIONS

- ❖ The primary purpose of cheerleading is to serve as a support group for both male and female athletic programs. Each squad shall strive to promote unity, sportsmanship, and spirit at school and school events and develop positive crowd involvement.
- ❖ Each cheerleader is a school representative at all times and will be held to a higher standard. He/she represents not only himself/herself but also those who support the program. Each cheerleader is expected to refrain from any activity that may be discrediting to themselves, their squad, their school, or their community.
- ❖ If a Bartlesville Cheer member has social media accounts, they must be maintained with proper integrity at all times. If any member's social media accounts are not maintained with proper integrity on photos, status updates, and general comments it can be grounds for dismissal from the squad. This rule also applies to parents; any negative comments about the squad, coaches, or members could be grounds for dismissal from the squad.
- ❖ All members will exemplify respect to all other squad members and coaches and will be a good teammate by always thinking of their squad before themselves.
- ❖ Dedication from each member of a Bartlesville Cheer Squad is necessary in order to have a successful practice, performance, game, and year. The team cannot and will not function properly without every member present.
  - Participation in all summer and school year camps, clinics, practices, games, events, performances, and competitions is mandatory.
  - **MANDATORY** means that all cheerleaders are required to be present. Any absence from a mandatory event **MUST** be **APPROVED** by the Coach **PRIOR** to the start of the event. Any absence from a mandatory event that has not been approved by the Coach prior to the event will be considered **UNEXCUSED** and will be counted against the cheerleader in both discipline and grading/accountability policy.

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## MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

### PARENT EXPECTATIONS

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- ❖ Bruin Cheerleading Booster Club: All parents should take an active role in the BCBC. The BCBC is established as a means to support the cheer program and coaches in a positive manner. The BCBC is not meant as a place to cause drama or voice program issues (see “Program Communication” below). The BCBC regulates cheerleader financial accounts, fundraisers, and assists with cheer events. Any issues pertaining to these topics should be communicated through the chain of command below:
  - Parent should discuss the concern with their BCBC Board Squad Rep
  - If the Squad Rep cannot resolve the issue, the Squad Rep will discuss the concern with the other board members and a resolution will be provided
  - **EXCEPTION**: Individual financial questions or concerns should be addressed directly with the BCBC Board Treasurer.
- ❖ Financial: Cheerleading involves a financial commitment on the part of the parents. Be responsible for that commitment. Avoiding deadlines or refusing to clear accounts is unacceptable and hurts everyone involved. COMMUNICATION between the Booster Board Treasurer and a PARENT is essential on any financial issues or questions. **Coaches will not discuss financial issues or take money from parents or cheerleaders.**
  - Cost breakdown will be provided on the estimated cost handout
  - Fundraising activities may be provided throughout the year through efforts of parents. All fundraisers must be approved by the Head Cheer Coach and run through the BCBC in accordance with BCBC By-Laws and will benefit only those who participate
  - If the squad member quits or is removed from their squad for any reason, all monies paid in or fundraised are non-refundable
- ❖ Program Communication: Concerns regarding the program in regards to issues at practice, games, or squad events should never be made before, during, or after a game or practice.
  - Proper Chain of Command:
    - Cheerleader and/or parent discusses the concern with the Squad Coach
    - If the concern cannot be resolved, the Squad Coach will discuss the concern with the Head Cheer Coach who will then contact the cheerleader and/or parent
    - If the Head Coach cannot resolve the concern, the Head Coach will discuss the concern with the Athletic Director and if needed a meeting will be scheduled with all parties
- ❖ Time Commitment: Parents need to be aware of the time commitment involved in cheerleading and need to support their child in these activities to see that he/she fulfills all responsibilities.
- ❖ Support: Parents must support and cooperate with the decisions made by the coach regardless of personal feelings or opinions. Parents should trust that all decisions made are done so to always do what is best for the team as a whole.
- ❖ IF these expectations are not fulfilled, consequences for cheerleaders may result in limited participation at cheer events or competitions or in severe situations may result in the removal of the cheerleader from the cheer program.

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## IMPORTANT TRYOUT & SUMMER EVENTS & dates

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>Location</b>
Monday, March 22		Online Tryout Registration Due	online
Monday - Wednesday March 22,23,24	5:30pm	Middle School Cheer Tryouts	BHS cheer gym
Wednesday - Friday March 24,25,26	5:30pm	High School Cheer Tryouts	BHS cheer gym
Saturday, March 27	12:00	All New Squads Picnic	BHS cheer gym
TBD		MANDATORY Middle School Meeting Cheerleader and Parent Required	Freshman Conference Rm
TBD		MANDATORY JV/Varsity Mtg Cheerleader and Parent Required	Freshman Conference Rm
TBD		All New Squads Fitting	BHS cheer gym
May – July	TBD	Varsity Practice	BHS cheer gym
May – Camp	TBD	JV Practice	BHS cheer gym
May – Camp	TBD	Middle School Practice	BHS cheer gym
TBD		Booster Club Meeting	HS Hospitality
TBD		Varsity NCA Home Camp	BHS cheer gym
TBD		Middle School NCA Home Camp	BHS cheer gym
TBD	TBD	Nationals Choreography Varsity Squad	BHS cheer gym

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## 2021-2022 ESTIMATED COST TO PARTICIPATE & TENTATIVE PAYMENT SCHEDULES

Each squad member will be responsible for ALL costs associated with being a member of a cheerleading squad at BPS. Being a squad member can get pricey. We never want the cost to affect if a participant decides not to tryout but we do want you to be fully aware of the cost involved.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL REQUIRED EXPENSES

ITEM	COST
Camp Fees	\$200
Camp/Practice Clothes	\$100
Summer Tumbling (May-July) optional	\$90
School Year Tumbling (Aug-March) <sup>1</sup>	\$240
White, Low Top, Squad Cheer Shoes <sup>2</sup>	\$65
Navy Nike Spanks (2)*	\$50
Game Bows	\$10
Squad Expenses <sup>3</sup>	\$200
Uniform Rental Fee <sup>4</sup>	\$125
Backpack*	\$35
Oklahoma Competition Registration <sup>5</sup>	\$40

\* Do not need to purchase if EXACT item has been purchased in a previous cheer season and QUALITY and FIT of the item have been approved by the coach for this season

### MIDDLE SCHOOL TENTATIVE PAYMENT SCHEDULE

MONTH	AMOUNT	ITEMS INCLUDED
April 5 @ New Squad Mtg	\$200	Camp Deposit, Camp Clothes
May 1	\$10-125	Shoes, Spanks, Backpack, Game Bows
June 1	\$100	Camp Balance
July 1	\$125	Uniform Rental Fee
August 1	\$100	½ Squad Exp
September 1	\$140	½ Squad Exp, Competition Registration

<sup>1</sup>Tumbling will be \$30 paid monthly to P66 along with a \$35 yearly registration fee that is due in August. May-July will have pro-rated annual fee.

<sup>2</sup> If the cheerleader has a pair of white, low top, cheer shoes, they can get approved to use the previously purchased shoes. The approval must come from the Head Coach at fittings and any coach may determine the shoes unfit if they become too worn during the year.

<sup>3</sup> Squad expense payment goes into each squad's general account and is used for various items and activities through the year. These include but are not limited to: squad bondings, homecoming, supplies, t-shirts, Christmas Party, End of Year Banquet, etc.

<sup>4</sup> Each cheerleader will be provided with 2 to 3 school district owned uniforms and a pair of poms. A yearly rental fee will be charged for the use of the provided. Any alterations needed are at an additional expense to the squad member (NO material may be cut).

<sup>5</sup> **Competition registration fees not paid by September 15<sup>th</sup> will result in cheerleader removal from routine**

## JUNIOR VARSITY REQUIRED EXPENSES

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>COST</b>
Camp Fees	\$200
Camp/Practice Clothes & Game Bows	\$140
Summer Tumbling (May-July) <sup>1</sup>	\$90
School Year Tumbling (Aug-March) <sup>1</sup>	\$240
White, Low Top, Squad Cheer Shoes <sup>6</sup>	\$65
Navy Nike Spanks (2)*	\$50
Bows	\$10
Squad Expenses <sup>7</sup>	\$250
Uniform Rental Fee <sup>8</sup>	\$125
Backpack*	\$55
Oklahoma Competition Registration <sup>9</sup>	\$40

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## JUNIOR VARSITY TENTATIVE PAYMENT SCHEDULE

<b>MONTH</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>ITEMS INCLUDED</b>
April 5 @ New Squad Mtg	\$240	Camp Deposit, Camp Clothes
May 1	\$10-125	Shoes, Spanks, Backpack, Bows
June 1	\$100	Camp Balance
July 1	\$125	Uniform Rental Fee
August 1	\$125	½ Squad Exp
September 1	\$165	½ Squad Exp, Competition Registration

<sup>6</sup> If the cheerleader has a pair of white, low top, cheer shoes, they can get approved to use the previously purchased shoes. The approval must come from the Head Coach at fittings and any coach may determine the shoes unfit if they become too worn during the year.

<sup>7</sup> Squad expense payment goes into each squad's general account and is used for various items and activities through the year. These include but are not limited to: squad bondings, homecoming, supplies, t-shirts, Christmas Party, End of Year Banquet, etc.

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<sup>9</sup> **Competition registration fees not paid by September 15<sup>th</sup> will result in cheerleader removal from routine.**

## VARSITY REQUIRED EXPENSES

ITEM	COST
NCA Home Camp	\$200
Camp/Practice Clothes	\$140
Senior Uniform – Seniors Only	\$90
Summer Tumbling (May-July) <sup>1</sup>	\$90
School Year Tumbling (Aug-March) <sup>1</sup>	\$240
Nfinity Evolution Cheer Shoes <sup>10</sup> plus Backpack deal	\$135
<b>OR</b> Evolution shoes alone	\$90
<b>OR</b> Backpack* alone w/embroidery	\$85
Navy Nike Spanks (2)*	\$50
Squad Expenses <sup>11</sup>	\$300
Uniform Rental Fee <sup>12</sup>	\$175
Jacket	\$50
Game Bows	\$10
Nationals Choreography & Music	\$200
NCA Nationals (includes travel, registration, meals, etc.) <sup>13</sup>	\$700

\* Do not need to purchase if EXACT item has been purchased in a previous cheer season and QUALITY and FIT of the item have been approved by the coach for this season

## VARSITY TENTATIVE PAYMENT SCHEDULE

MONTH	AMOUNT	ITEMS INCLUDED
April 5 @ New Squad Mtg	\$240	Camp Deposit, Camp Clothes
April 15	\$10 - \$285	Shoes, Spanks, Backpack, Game Bows, Senior Uniform
May 1	\$100	Camp Balance
June 1	\$330	Uniform Rental Fee
July 1	\$200	½ Squad Exp, Jacket
August 1	\$350	½ Squad Exp, Nationals Choreography
September 1	\$150	NCA Competition Registration
October 1	\$300	NCA Travel Fees & Hotel
November 1	\$250	NCA Meals & Activities

<sup>10</sup> If the cheerleader has a pair of white, low top, Nfinity cheer shoes, they can get approved to use the previously purchased shoes. The approval must come from the Head Coach at fittings and any coach may determine the shoes unfit if they become too worn during the year.

<sup>11</sup> Squad expense payment goes into each squad's general account and is used for various items and activities through the year. These include but are not limited to: squad bondings, homecoming, supplies, t-shirts, Christmas Party, End of Year Banquet, etc.

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<sup>13</sup> **NCA Nationals fees not paid by Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> will result in cheerleader removal from routine.**

# Bartlesville Bruin Cheer

## FUNDRAISERS

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Cheerleading is expensive! Bartlesville Public Schools provides ~\$2000 annually for all squads. Parents must fill in the gap by either fundraising or paying out of pocket. All parents and cheerleaders will be required to participate in one mandatory fundraiser and the money raised will go to the cheerleader's account. This will decrease the out of pocket cost to parents by ~\$280. In addition to those events, cheerleaders may be required to also participate in other fundraiser activities.

### **MANDATORY PARENT FUNDRAISERS**

- Cheerleader and a parent/guardian **MUST WORK ONE MANDATORY FUNDRAISER to avoid a fundraising fee of \$250.**
- A parent/guardian **MUST WORK REQUIRED NUMBER OF ATHLETIC GATES** to avoid fee. There is a \$30 fee per gate for missed or non-scheduling.
- Senior parents are not required to work athletic gates.
- Specific fundraisers will be announced at a later date.

### **MANDATORY CHEERLEADER FUNDRAISERS:**

- **50/50 tickets:** Raffle tickets will be sold at varsity football and/or basketball games. Any money raised will be placed in the general fund to benefit squad activities.
- **Varsity Youth Clinic(s):** Youth cheer clinics may be held during the football and/or basketball seasons. Varsity cheerleaders are required to work the events. Money raised will go into the Varsity account.
- **Other events:** additional events may be set up depending on need during the year.

### **OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **Athletic Gates:** Working athletic events selling tickets, is easy money! Parents will have the opportunity to work ticket gates during the basketball and wrestling events. The money made will be put directly in the cheerleader's account.
- **Any additional fundraisers** to benefit cheerleader's individual accounts must be run by parents with approval from the BCBC.
- **P66 and COP volunteer grants and matching funds:** Cheer parents and grandparents who work for P66 or COP and donate their time or money to Bartlesville Cheer can submit for matching funds. Contact a BCBC board member for more information.



# Bartlesville Bruin Cheer

## TRYOUT CONTRACT

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By signing below, both prospective cheerleader and parent/guardian acknowledge that they have read and understand the following as outlined:

- ❖ Tryout Dates & Guidelines
- ❖ Tryout Evaluation Criteria
- ❖ Membership Guidelines & Expectations
- ❖ Important Summer Events & Dates
- ❖ 2021-2022 Estimated Cost to Participate & Tentative Payment Schedules
- ❖ Mandatory Fundraisers for Tumbling Fees

Both parties understand that if chosen as a member of any cheer squad, a commitment is being made to that squad. It is understood that if the member quits or is removed from the squad for any reason after squads have been announced, any monies paid in or fundraised are non-refundable and the member will not be allowed to try out for or participate with any spirit or competitive squad for one year from the date the cheerleader quit or was removed. Spirit squads include all cheer and pom teams.

### Prospective Cheerleader:

I have read the entire Bartlesville Cheer Tryout Packet. I understand that if selected for a Bartlesville Cheer Squad, I will be expected to abide by these guidelines, as well as any other rules designated by the coach or administrators. I understand that membership on any cheer squad is both an honor and extremely hard work and I will make every effort to be a successful member of the team by supporting my coaches, fellow squad members, and the program throughout the year. I further understand that Bartlesville Cheerleaders are held to the highest standards possible, and if I am selected, I will respect and honor the privilege given to me to represent Bartlesville in the best manner possible.

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Prospective Cheerleader Signature

Date

### Parent/Guardian:

I hereby authorize my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to try out for cheer at Bartlesville Public Schools. I understand that all decisions of squad placement made by the coaches or coaches' designees are final and each decision is made to maximize the potential for the success of each squad. If my child is chosen for the position of cheerleader, I understand that they are obligated to serve in that capacity from the day of received tryout results until the first day of tryouts for the next year. I have read the entire Bartlesville Cheer Tryout Packet. I understand that these guidelines, as well as any others outlined by the coaches or administrators, must be followed throughout the year and understand that violation of any of these rules may lead to the prospective cheerleader not being allowed to complete the tryout process, not being placed on a cheer squad, loss of points in grade or accountability policy, benching or suspension, or permanent dismissal from the squad.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date