(If an 8<sup>th</sup> grader, include your Middle School here)

## **BELLAIRE HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADER APPLICATION 2020-2021**

(Varsity AND Junior Varsity)

In order to try out for the position of Junior Varsity or Varsity cheerleader for the 2020-2021 school year, applicants must meet the following qualifications. Please be sure to check the qualifications carefully before applying. **Please note**, *Junior Varsity consists of only underclassmen (Freshman & Sophomores), and* Varsity consists of only upperclassmen (Juniors & Seniors). So, if you are currently an 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> grader, you are trying out for JV, and if you are currently a 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grader, you are trying out for Varsity.

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- \_\_1. Applicants must be passing all classes currently and <u>in all preceding six-weeks of the current school year</u>. No failing six-week grade or semester average (that is, "69" or below) on your report card will be accepted. This is because cheerleaders are active during all UIL sports seasons (Volleyball, Football, Basketball, Soccer, Softball and Baseball) and the entire squad relies on each member to be in good standing and able to participate at all times throughout the school year. If you don't prioritize your classes, you are not able to prioritize cheerleading. Those selected as a Varsity or JV cheerleader must maintain a passing average with no failing grades for the remainder of the school year, or they will be put on probation and will not be permitted to try out for the following school year.
- 2. Applicants must have no lower than an "S" conduct average currently and in all of the preceding sixweeks of the current school year. No "P's" or "U's" in any class are acceptable. Additionally, if an applicant has been suspended or expelled for any reason, they will not be permitted to try out.
- 3. Applicants will agree to represent the school in a manner consistent with the Bellaire High School and HISD Code of Student Conduct. This applies at all times, whether in or out of cheerleading uniform.
- 4. Applicants will agree to put cheerleading responsibilities **before every other activity** in which they are involved. Being a cheerleader is a privilege and an honor, and hard work and responsible conduct are required. Cheerleaders must attend all required events, except in the case of personal illness, death in the family, or approved school business.
- 5. Applicants should be financially able to buy uniforms, pay for summer camp, and pay any expenses which might become necessary in the course of the school year's events. Approximately <u>\$2000</u> will be required to be paid for all uniforms/attire **by the end of school**, **May 2020**. Payment plans can be arranged with Coach Perez.
  - 6. Applicants must attend all practice sessions before tryouts, and those selected must attend any and all practice sessions before cheerleading camp or they will be put on a probationary status with the squad. Applicants also must be able to attend the 4-day cheerleading camp in June, and Cardinal Camp in August.
- 7. Cheerleading is a year-long activity. You must commit and follow through with your decision to try out for this squad. No cheerleader may quit prior to the end of the school year unless suspended from the squad for grades or misconduct. Failure to comply will result in a semester grade of a "50" in the course or if the cheerleader quits for the entire second semester, a semester average of "0" will be given.

- 8. Applicants and their parents will understand that making the JV or Varsity squad this year does not automatically guarantee that they will make either squad the following year. Everyone who has the grades will have to try out again the next year to remain on the squad. (FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL APPLICANTS ONLY)
- All 8<sup>th</sup> grade applicants must be certain in the decision to attend Bellaire High School in order to tryout. By initialing here and signing below, you will agree to pay a <u>\$500 non-refundable deposit</u> at the time of uniform fittings that will be applied toward the total amount ordered.

I have read the above requirements, and I agree that I will abide by the rules stated, that my grades and conduct meet the above requirements, and I understand that I am subject to suspension from the cheerleading squad if I do not abide by these rules and regulations.

Signature of Applicant	Date
Applicant's Cell Phone number	(some text message reminders will be sent)
E-mail address	Please print clearly

Parents/Guardians of the applicant, by signing below, agree to comply with these requirements and are giving their son/daughter permission to apply for the JV or Varsity cheerleading squad.

I have read the above requirements, and I am able to meet any and all financial requirements for JV or Varsity cheerleading supplies. I also understand the time-consuming commitments and agree that if my son/daughter does not abide by these standards, that he/she will be suspended from the squad. I am giving my permission for my child to become a Bellaire High School cheerleader applicant.

Signature of Parent/ Gu	ardian	Date	
First and Last names of			
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Parent Cell / Preferred	phone number	· ·	
E-mail address	- 		Please print clearly
DEADLINE FOR APPLICA			fice
ABSOLUTELY NO APPLICA	TIONS WILL BE ACCE	PTED AFTER THIS TIM	1E.
JV and Varsity Cheerleader	Tryouts will be held Tue	sdav. March 31st – Frid	av. April 3rd. 2020
from 4:00 -5:30/6:00 pm ( $8^{th}$ g			
The <b>MANDATORY</b> schedule	for all charlandar applies	onte will be as follows:	
Wednesday, February 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>± ±</b>	BHS, Applications made	available
Thursday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>		(BHS Students) 4:15pm	
Thursday, March 5	•	· · · · · ·	applicant, 6pm @BHS Rm151
Monday, March 23 <sup>rd</sup>		ne, 4:30pm Main office	
Tuesday, March 31st	Intro/Jumps/Teach	Dance/Teach Cheer	
Wednesday, April 1st	-	w Dance/Cheer/Get into 7	Fryout Groups
Thursday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mock Tryouts		5 1
Friday, April 3rd	<b>Tryouts</b> 4:30 – 6pm	n BHS Girls Gym	
		nents 6:45pm, Squad Cele	ebrations
FAILURE TO ATTEND ALL H			

#### \*\*\*FOR 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE APPLICANTS ONLY\*\*\*

Name	Birthday
Address	Middle School
	Are you currently a cheerleader there?

I will need a copy of your most current report card (HISD distributed Friday, February 21st). I need to verify your passing grades and good conduct prior to the start of tryouts. Since you are not currently Bellaire students, I will allow one failing grade, but that F must be brought up to passing by 6-weeks when we begin tryouts on March 31st or you will not be permitted to tryout at this time.

**OPTIONAL:** A Letter of Recommendation from a current teacher or faculty member at your school. This letter needs to be in a sealed envelope and can be attached to your application when you turn it in.

#### \*\*\* FOR CURRENT BHS STUDENT APPLICANTS\*\*\*

Name	Birthday
Address	Current Grade Level

List your current schedule. Please include the teacher's name and room number.

1 <sup>st</sup> period	5 <sup>th</sup> period
2 <sup>nd</sup> period	6 <sup>th</sup> period
3 <sup>rd</sup> period	7 <sup>th</sup> period
4 <sup>th</sup> period	8 <sup>th</sup> period

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# Please make your school work a priority before you add something else to your plate!

dates to keep in mind if you make the squad:	<b>OTHER IMPORTANT/ Mandatory dates</b>
Thursday, April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Uniform Fittings/ Ordering
ng cheerleaders) 4:00 (New Squad members) Rm 151	2:20 –4:00pm (Returning ch
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Varsity Only- Pin Oak Middle School tryouts April 20<sup>th</sup>-23rd RED & WHITE GAME @ Butler (JV 5pm, Varsity 6:00pm) May (Date TBD) **Varsity Practices** (Practice days & times TBD by coach) JV Practices (Practice days & times TBD by coach) **CHEER CAMP** Monday, June 1st – Thursday, June 4th Varsity & JV Practice (times TBD) August (dates and times TBD) **Cardinal Camp** (incoming freshman must attend; Varsity to perform) Friday, August 14th **First Day of School!** Monday, August 24th

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