



## Cheerleading 2022-2023

Step One:

Read this packet in its entirety

Step Two:

Sign all forms included within

- Confirmation of Understanding
- GISD Fine Arts handbook Acknowledgment
- Behavior Accountability
- Information Sheet
- Pre-participation Physical Evaluation
- UIL Concussion Acknowledgement Form
- Fine Arts Signature Pages

Step Three:

Return all the requested information *Turn all documents in with your Cheer Application by April 15th.*

**NOTE: UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE WILL LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS BE ACCEPTED.**

**School Phone: (972) 675-3080**

# Important Dates

## Mandatory

**2022**  
**Cheer Meeting w/girls and Parents**  
**p.m.**

**DATE: TBD**  
**Uniform Fitting**

**(Tentatively)**  
**Cheer Camp**

**TBD**

## **Physicals**

You need a new physical every school year!

- You can also go to Care Now for approx. \$20.
  - General Physician
- Physicals must be dated April 1<sup>st</sup> or later.

## Payment Schedule:

All payments must be paid by money order or cashier's check only  
(No credit cards)

– Apparel only (**made payable to Team Leader**)

**Payments are non-refundable once  
ordered**

# Our Expectations

Before trying out for cheerleading, it is imperative that everyone is well aware of what we expect and the standards that we hold our cheerleaders to. The three most important requirements that both the candidate and his/her parents need to take into consideration for the duration of the '22-'23 year are good character, financial deadlines, and our district's constitution. If for some reason, you feel that you or your son/daughter cannot meet these expectations, you should reconsider trying out.

## Displaying Exemplary Character

It is the belief of both coaches and our administrators that being a cheerleader is not only an honor; it's a **privilege** as well. Therefore, should you be chosen to represent Webb Middle School, it's imperative that you follow all school rules and regulations as disrespect for authority, school personnel, school policy, fellow students, etc. will not be tolerated and may result in temporary or permanent dismissal from the squad.

## Paying All Financial Obligations

Upon becoming a cheerleader, it is your responsibility to purchase camp attire that has been selected by the sponsor(s), as well as pay for full uniform attire and accessories. (Refer to the calendar for specific amounts.)

## Reading and Abiding by the Garland Independent School District's Fine Arts Handbook

The GISD Fine Arts Handbook makes you aware of your rights, discusses our objectives, our philosophy and purpose, and specifically states what's expected of every cheerleader in its domain. To avoid future conflicts, it is **YOUR** responsibility to become well acquainted with the contents of this document, especially the "Demerit System" because it will be strictly enforced and **anyone who chooses not to abide will be held accountable**. In addition, cheerleaders must adhere to the GISD Fine Arts Handbook which can be found at: <https://garlandisd.net/media/15517/download?inline>

## Responsibilities

In addition to cheering for games, which include both football and basketball, other mandatory events include 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation, Pink Out, parades, public appearances, the GISD Cheer Classic and any fundraising activities scheduled by the sponsors.

During football season, 7<sup>th</sup> grade games are Monday nights, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade games are on Tuesday nights. Both grades will practice weekly on Wednesday's after school. During basketball season, there are games on Monday and Thursday nights. \*Squads are subject to change weekly due to athletes being involved in cheer and basketball.

**Note: Everyone is responsible for his/her own ride and must arrive at these events no later than 5:00 P.M. Failure to do so will result in demerits.**

# Cheer Camp (Also Practice Attire)

## Cheer Camp

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PONYTAIL

NO JEWELRY

T-SHIRT

Knit Shorts

White Socks

Tennis Shoes

## Cheer Camp

All candidates may participate, and is a mandatory event. If for some reason a candidate is unable to participate during those dates, he/she will have to rely on another candidate to teach him/her the material (cheer, chant, and dance) that will be scored by the panel of judges and so determines who makes the squad.

**Cameras, camcorders, and picture phones are not permitted.**

## Parent Participation/Involvement

Parents are **not** allowed in the building at any time during camp or tryouts while the candidates are assembled in the gym learning, preparing, or practicing their routines. This also applies to the tryout day at Memorial Pathways. **Anyone choosing to enter the premises in spite of this warning will immediately be escorted out by a sponsor or the police.**

# Cheer Uniform



## Payment Schedule:

**\$due by TBD All apparel (<http://teamleader.net/webb>)**

*Payment must be paid by credit card only.*

(Apparel includes uniform accessories, briefs, bow, shoes, leggings, 2 shirts, 2 pairs of shorts, socks, undershirt, and a backpack)

**\$ due by TBD Cheer Camp**

*([make check payable to \\_\\_\\_\\_\\_](#))*

***The final total cost to be a Webb Cheerleader is approximately \$300.***

The payment date above is non-negotiable. If a payment is not made on time, the cheerleader will be removed from the squad.

***All candidates who make the squad will be required to have a physical prior to camp and must submit a copy of the results to their coaches. Physicals cannot be dated earlier than April 1, 2022***

**Once things are ordered, that payment is non-refundable.**

# Note to Parents...

It's our sincere hope to have a successful and stress free year. However, without your cooperation, it won't be possible. Therefore, we ask that you be mindful and respectful of the following:

1. **Practices are closed events.** The only people who need to be there are the athletes and their coaches.
2. **Please be mindful that the Coaches are busy with your child.** We may not be available to speak with you before, during, or after a game. If it is an emergency, please see us. Otherwise, please wait until after the game to converse. You can also schedule a time for a conference.
3. **Familiarize yourself with the "Demerit System"** to avoid having your son/daughter disciplined for something you might have been responsible for.
4. **Understand that your child is disciplined according to GISD's Fine Arts handbook for infractions as needed.** Consequently, there should be no need to question the fairness of disciplinary actions that may be taken against him/her. And also note, you signed a statement acknowledging you had read and received a copy of the "Demerit System" and that your child would abide by it or be subjected to the consequences therein.
5. **Any question that pertains to a child other than your own will not be addressed.**

Thank you in advance for your cooperation,

## Confirmation of Understanding

I, the undersigned, have read the entire Webb Middle School Cheerleading Application Packet and understand the contents within.

I also acknowledge that:

1. Candidates must be registered to attend Webb for the 2022-2023 school year and may not try out for another GISD squad,
2. Parents, family, and friends are not allowed in the buildings any day during the week of practices/tryouts. If we are, we risk sponsor or police removal,
3. I certify that all information I have provided to the sponsors is true and correct,
4. I understand the "Note to Parents," "Behavior Accountability", and "Social Media Contract".
5. Selected cheerleaders must:
  - a. always display a positive attitude,
  - b. abide by the GISD Fine Arts Handbook or be subjected to the consequences therein,
  - c. work hard in practice and in the classroom,
  - d. attend scheduled events,
  - e. provide their own transportation to and from games
  - f. participate in the squad fundraiser

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Candidate Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

# Garland Independent School District Fine Arts Handbook

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a potential 2022-2023 cheerleader at Webb Middle School, acknowledge that it is my responsibility to commit myself to my squad and at all times promote school spirit and good citizenship- both in and outside of school, and epitomize INTEGRITY. With this in mind, I place my signature below to illustrate my commitment to my teammates, the athletes, and the school I will represent provided I become a Webb Bear Cheerleader.

Not only have I been given a copy of the **Revised 2022** "Demerit System," but I have read, understand, and agree with the contents therein. Therefore, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, I pledge to be all I can be and to abide by this document. Should I choose to do otherwise, I WILL BE disciplined according to the information found in the handbook and demerit system, which could result in benching and possibly dismissal from the squad.

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Cheerleader Signature

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Parent Signature

*As a parent, I have read through the constitution myself and know exactly what can and will happen to my son/daughter should he/she deviate from the specified guidelines. I also pledge to do all that I can to help him/her be his/her best and to show respect for rules and regulations. At times this may require me to take responsibility for my child by calling the sponsor or by providing documentation, but this is my duty and my part in ensuring equality and fairness within the squad.*



# Behavior Accountability

*As stated on p. 7-8 of the GISD Fine Arts Handbook, "Maintaining a higher standard of conduct will also include ensuring the GISD/Fine Arts Students' websites are appropriate. The internet is a worldwide, publicly accessible form of communication. Therefore, any communication such as Twitter, YouTube, Instagram, SnapChat, Vines, Tumbler, or any other photo/video sharing or social media site, etc. appearing on the internet is public domain, even if it is marked private. Per the GISD Code of Conduct, students are responsible for their personal websites and postings on others' websites. The areas of appropriateness will include, but not limited to, the following: language, sexual or other (abbreviated or alluding to); pictures, reference to sexually explicit conduct or content, bullying/harassment within school and to other campuses, clothing, alcohol, drugs, and/or tobacco, which includes e-cigs and vapes. Excessive amounts of postings during the school day and posting updates in the middle of the school day is unacceptable and will be considered if a principal/teacher review takes place. Messages, Snap Chats, pictures, etc. sent via text messages or any other form of communication can be used as a screenshot and therefore can be considered public domain. By sending any content electronically to someone else, you are giving them permission to use that information as they see fit so please be aware of what you are sending and to whom you are sending it to at any time. Any question of appropriateness will be decided by the principal and teacher."*

*"Students selected as Fine Arts student performers must recognize this distinction as an honor and privilege and must be held accountable to a greater standard than that of the general school population. A student has no ordained right to participate in Fine Arts. **It is a privilege that has been granted to the student and it is possible that the privilege can be taken away.** In addition to the GISD Fine Arts Handbook, GISD Code of Conduct, and the standards outlined in the Fine Arts Code of Conduct will be in effect twenty- four hours a day, seven days a week, twelve months a year, in season and out of season, whether in school or school is not in session."*

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Candidate Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

# CHEERLEADER APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Candidate Name:

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Trying out for:                      (7<sup>th</sup> grade)                      (8<sup>th</sup> grade)

All applications are due **by April 15th** to Coach Vinson, Coach Claiborne, or Office. You need the following documents in order and stapled together along with the checklist below.

\_\_\_\_\_ [Cheerleader Application and Emergency Contact Information](#)

\_\_\_\_\_ [Agreement Form](#)

\_\_\_\_\_ [Social Media Contract](#)

\_\_\_\_\_ [District Media Release Form](#)

\_\_\_\_\_ [Fine Arts Handbook Signature Pages](#)

\_\_\_\_\_ [Physical/Medical forms](#)

\_\_\_\_\_ [UIL Concussion Acknowledgment Form](#)

# Garland Independent School District Cheer Application

Name\_\_\_\_\_ID#\_\_\_\_\_

Grade Next Yr.\_\_\_\_\_Age\_\_\_\_\_Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_City\_\_\_\_\_

Zip\_\_\_\_\_Email\_\_\_\_\_

School Enrolled for Next Yr.\_\_\_\_\_

Participation in the GISD cheerleading program carries both a significant time and financial commitment. Each cheerleader is expected to meet all financial responsibilities identified by their specific campus. Dedication to, and the prioritization of, cheerleading is obligatory from all cheerleaders to meet the objectives of the program. Candidates selected to be a member of the squad are expected to maintain their commitment to the activity for the full cheerleading year. Prior to making commitments to be involved in other school activities, cheerleaders should carefully consider specific program requirements, as involvement in other activities may cause participation and time conflicts with cheerleading duties. Any cheerleader who voluntarily quits the squad before the end of the cheerleading year without the approval of the principal and sponsor will not be allowed to try-out for the next year on any GISD campus.

I understand the above and confirm that I have not voluntarily quit any cheerleading squad at any GISD campus.

Student Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian\_\_\_\_\_

For parents/guardians:

I understand that I/we will not be allowed in the building on the day of the video tryouts.

Parent/Guardian\_\_\_\_\_

**The following forms must be competed online prior to completing packet:**

UIL Concussion Acknowledgement Form:

[https://www.uil texas.org/files/athletics/forms/Concussion\\_Acknowledgment\\_Form.pdf](https://www.uil texas.org/files/athletics/forms/Concussion_Acknowledgment_Form.pdf)

Complete the Pre-Participation Physical forms:

[https://www.uil texas.org/files/athletics/forms/PrePhysFormRvsd1\\_10\\_20.pdf](https://www.uil texas.org/files/athletics/forms/PrePhysFormRvsd1_10_20.pdf)

Tryout information for each middle and high school in GISD are available on the district website:

[www.garlandisd.net](http://www.garlandisd.net)

Online handbook link for students/parents etc.

<https://garlandisd.net/media/15517/download?inline>

**Garland Independent School District Fine Arts Handbook**  
**Cheerleading, Drill Team, Step, and World Dance Company**  
**Permission, Commitment, and Signature Page**

**Student Name (Please Print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Legal Parent/Guardian (Please Print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check the Fine Arts Group you are auditioning for/joining:**

Cheer \_\_\_\_\_ Junior Varsity Drill Team \_\_\_\_\_ Varsity Drill Team \_\_\_\_\_

Step Team \_\_\_\_\_ World Dance Company \_\_\_\_\_

**Please read each statement and initial. A candidate/member and a legal parent/guardian signature and date is required at the end of the statements.**

**Candidate/Member:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read, and understand all of the information in this tryout packet and agree to abide by all rules and regulations regarding tryouts.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that the judges' decision is final.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read, and understand the Fine Arts Handbook and agree to abide by all rules and regulations of the Fine Arts Group.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read and understand the GISD District Code of Conduct and agree to abide by all rules and regulations. (Internet access [www.garlandisd.com](http://www.garlandisd.com) )

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read and understand the financial obligation involved with being a member. I also understand that I will not receive any items, but I must still attend any events/performances, if I have not fulfilled my financial contract.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read and understand that in addition to yearly tryouts, to remain on the team, there may be weekly tryouts conducted by the teacher (coach, director, and sponsor).

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read and understand that I must pass all of my classes, with the exception of waived classes, to be eligible to perform. (Refer to TEA UIL Regulations).

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand my behavior and conduct will be held to a higher standard on this team, both in and out of school.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand that I am required to attend all mandatory practices, performances, contest(s), and events. An unexcused absence will receive consequences.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I may be required to ride to and from some events and performances on school transportation with my team. All members are to be picked up from the school after games/competitions/performances/events no later than 20 minutes after being dismissed by the teacher.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand and agree to abide by the Standard of Uniformity (hair, makeup, and nails) that was established by a committee of my peers.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I will be responsible for returning all uniforms, poms, props etc. in good condition. Uniforms must be cleaned according to the instructions given by the director/coach. A cleaning receipt attached to the uniform may be required.

**Legal Parent/Guardian:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read, and understand all of the information in this tryout packet and agree to abide by all rules and regulations regarding tryouts.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand the judges' decision is final.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read, and understand the Fine Arts Handbook and agree to abide by all rules and regulations of the Fine Arts Group.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read and understand the GISD District Code of Conduct and agree to abide by all rules and regulations. (Internet access [www.garlandisd.net](http://www.garlandisd.net) )

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read and understand the financial obligation and payments involved with my student being a member. I also understand that my student will not receive any items, but must still attend any events/performances, if I have not fulfilled my financial contract.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read and understand that in addition to yearly tryouts, to remain on the team, there may be weekly tryouts conducted by the teacher (coach, director, and sponsor).

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received, read and understand that my student must pass all classes, with the exception of waived classes, to be eligible to perform. (Refer to TEA/UIL Regulations).

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand that my student's behavior and conduct will be held to a higher standard on this team, both in and out of school.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand that my student is required to attend all mandatory practices, performances, contest(s), and events.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that my student may be required to ride to and from some events and performances on school transportation with my team. All members are to be picked up from the school after games/competitions/performances/events no later than 20 minutes after being dismissed by the teacher.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand and agree to the Standard of Uniformity (hair, makeup, and nails) that was established by a committee within the Fine Arts Group.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I will be responsible for returning all uniforms, poms, props etc. in good condition. Uniforms must be cleaned according to the instructions given by the director/coach. A cleaning receipt attached to the uniform may be required.

**Candidate/Member Printed Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate/Member Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Legal Parent/Guardian Printed Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Legal Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_