# North Garland High School Junior Varsily Drill Team





Dear Parent/Guardian and Prospective La Petite:

The North Garland family is very delighted that you have made the decision to become a member of the NGHS Junior Varsity Drill Team, La Petites. This organization plays an important role in boosting school spirit and an outlet for friendships, leadership, discipline, and building confidence. In addition, you will have an opportunity to perform at NGHS events such as football and basketball games. No dance experience is required to become a La Petite!

Becoming a La Petite means instant friendship with an outstanding group of students. Being a drill team member takes dedication and hard work, with the opportunity of wonderful and rewarding experiences. If you are interested in one day trying out for the varsity drill team, being a member of La Petites will help prepare you for tryouts. Please realize that this is a commitment, not just a dance class. La Petites is a drill team class that meets every other day during the fall and spring semester. You will receive Fine Arts credit for the class. Students will be required to attend class, practices and events in person, no virtual option available.

The following pages contain all the information you need to become a La Petite. Please read this packet, complete the required forms and turn them in by Wednesday, May 24, 2022 through our canvas course. If you have any questions, please contact me through email.

Respectfully,

Sally Portillo JV Drill Team Director SPortillo@garlandisd.net



# Important dates

## Parent Information/Sign-Up Meeting: Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 6 pm

via Google Meets: https://meet.google.com/zzy-yqxq-yrx Otherwise, to join by phone, dial +1 470-485-9813 and enter this PIN: 801 485 612#

## Uniform Fittings/Official sign up day: Tuesday, May 24, 2022 5:45-7:30 pm

We will meet in the cafeteria. The entrance is in the back of the school by HST building. Sign up times will be posted on the canvas course. Please sign up for a time and bring cash, money order or credit card in person. If you are unable to attend, please contact Ms. Portillo and pay online before May 24. Uniform fittings is where you will be measured for your uniform and view sizes to help you fill out your TeamLeader order form. There will also be an opportunity for you to purchase used items from former La Petites if you are interested.

### Officer Tryouts: May 10-13, 2022 from 5:00-7:00 pm, NGHS Cafeteria

This is a great opportunity for those interested in a leadership role on the team. This is only for those interested in auditioning for an officer position. We will meet in the cafeteria. Entrance is in the back of the school, by HST building. The officer application will be on canvas with more detailed information.

**Summer virtual learning:** Students will be given dance material to learn at home through video to prepare for the year. More information will be provided during the summer on canvas.

*Team mandatory practice:* Saturday, July 23, 2022 from 9 am-2 pm, location TBD \$60 payment due, cash or check payable to NGHS La Petites. La Petites must wear dance appropriate attire and bring lunch and water.

# *Team dance clinic:* Thursday, July 28th & Friday, July 29th from 9 am-3 pm and Saturday, July 30th 9 am -1 pm at Garland High School

Students will learn dances used during football season, do team activities and dance together! They must bring lunch and water each day. Showoffs for parents to watch will be Saturday, July 30th at 12:30 pm at the Garland HS main gym.

\*Detailed calendars will be available on the BAND APP and google calendar in the summer. During the fall semester, **most** after school practices will be from 3:15-5:15 pm on Mondays. JV games are on Wednesdays or Thursdays. During the spring semester, we participate in some basketball games, competition, spring show and other district events.

# Payment due dates

- **Tuesday, May 24, 2021** Team Leader payment #1 **\$160.50** (cash, money order or card): Time slots for the team fittings will be on canvas. Order forms will be available in person and on the canvas team page. You will also be measured for your uniform and pay TeamLeader.
- Monday, June 20, 2022 \$105 remaining TeamLeader balance only if you decided to split payments into two. Payment should be made online. All the information will be in the canvas page.
- Saturday, July 23, 2022 \$60 payment goes towards choreographers, props, and other team activities. cash or check
- Monday, August 15. 2022- \$3-6 team earrings payment. cash or check
- Monday, December 5, 2022- \$40 payment for contest/spring show and banquet, cash or check

# <u>La Petite Sign Up Checklist:</u>

- Join our canvas course: https://garlandisd.instructure.com/enroll/BWANFK
- □ Join our team band app: link on canvas. This is the app we use for daily communication, notifications and posts between team members and director.
- □ Join the virtual sign up interest meeting on Wednesday, April 20, 2022:Link on canvas.
- Complete online application google form:Link on canvas.
- Submit Handbook signature pages on canvas. <u>https://garlandisd.net/media/15517/download?inline</u>
- □ Submit NGHS Drill expectations signature page on canvas.
- GISD Physical Evaluation Form: Fill out online and submit through canvas (complete page 1). A physical (page 2) will be required by Monday June 27, 2022 with doctor signature on canvas.
- □ Submit the Fine Arts Parent/Guardian Video Consent Form on canvas.
- □ Submit UIL Concussion Acknowledgement form on canvas.
- □ Complete all forms by **Tuesday**, **May 24**, **2022**.

**Ca Petites Expenses** <u>Practice Wear & Paraphernalia from TeamLeader (cash,credit card, or money order)</u>

### Total \$239.50 (tax included)

\*Some of these items will be sold for a reduced price more info will be available later\*

Payment #1: Black dance top \$28 **Black team shorts \$15** Game day shirt \$13 **Red practice top \$16** Purple practice top \$24 **Black Team Sports bra \$15** Tan jazz shoe \$31 **Team Bag \$18.50** 

Payment #2: **Delivery fee \$4** Warm-up jacket \$48 Dance tights (2) \$27

### Additional payments: \$60 Fall payment, Team earring \$3-6 / \$40 Spring payment Grand total: \$345.50

Additional items needed (items in **bold** can be purchased through TeamLeader during fittings or on your own) Links on where you can purchase some of these will be on the team canvas page under modules.

- o Black solid joggers/sweatpants
- o Solid black ankle leggings
- Black or gray sports bra to wear during practices
- Solid black exercise/knit shorts ο
- Running shoes preferably black with a white sole 0
- Solid white canvas lace up shoes; You can find some at Walmart or Target 0
- Solid White fold down socks 0
- Red lipstick, eye makeup and blush: examples are MAC Ruby Woo or Wet n Wild 0 MegaLast Lip Color in Stoplight Red. \*Makeup for performances will be required.
- Black, white, red or grey/silver 32 oz water container. I recommend an insulated bottle to 0 keep your drink cool.

If you are unable to attend the uniform fitting, you will need to schedule an appointment with Ms. Portillo to be fitted for your field uniform. You will also need to contact TeamLeader to order additional items. Please inform Ms. Portillo if you will not be able to attend the fitting before May 24, 2022.

TeamLeader (practice wear) 2901 Summit Ave, Suite 300 Plano, TX 75074 877-365-7555 ext.227 Contact Alison Heath

Sally Portillo, La Petites Director SPortillo@garlandisd.net

# <u>Standard of Uniformity</u>

<u>Nails</u>: Nails must not exceed sports length and the only nail color allowed during performances is french tip, natural color or no color.

# Make up: The following is expected for team performances or appearances.

- Eye makeup must be neutral color; examples are brown or gray on the crease and a shimmery color on the eyelid. Mascara on the eyelashes will help eyes stand out. False lashes are optional but required for Spring Show in April. Eye makeup should stand out.
- Blush that stands out; shimmery is acceptable but the color should be visible from a distance.
- Bright red lipstick that will stay on for hours, Maybelline and Wet N Wild have affordable options.

# **<u>Hair:</u>** *a committee of students representing the diversity on our team have decided the hairstyles.*

- Camp: Hair should be secured and out of your face. During showoffs on the last day hair needs to be in a high slicked back ponytail, no part.
- \* *Football season:* High slicked back ponytail, no part, curled.
- Basketball season and peprallies: Hair must be in a low slicked back ponytail, middle part, natural style or style of choice.
- <u>Contest</u>: Hair needs to be in a slicked back low ponytail, middle part, straight.
- ◆ *Spring Show:* low donut bun with a middle part.

**Earrings:** We do wear our team earrings for all performances. Pierced and clip on available. Additional pairs can be purchased throughout the year for \$3 pierced, \$6 clip on through Ms. Portillo.

<u>Miscellaneous</u>: Buns must be donut buns. Donut bun makers can be found at dollar stores, hair supply stores, or created with a long sock. Donut bun holders need to match the dancers hair color. Hair needs to be secured, slicked back with a hair net over the bun.

High ponytails must be below the crown of the head. All pony tails must be slicked back and neatly secured with hair tie that matches hair color. Hair should be a natural color for performances or events such as brown, black, red, or blonde.

Hair tutorials and videos will be available.

### **NGHS Drill Team Expectations**

- 1. Being on time means, sitting in your squad in drill team position with your hair tied up, jazz shoes on, and water bottle next to you. If it's a day you need to bring your poms, prop, or an item to turn in, you must have it with you at the beginning of practice when we meet in squads.
- 2. Phones should be put away and not used during practice time unless instructed to do so. Phones should be silenced or turned off.
- 3. Students are expected to check the team band app daily for updates, information and any possible message from the director.
- 4. Our team has student leaders in place to help support the director and team. They will message their squad members from time to time. It is important that each member communicates with their officer when necessary.
- 5. All items and costumes borrowed must be returned clean and in good conditions. Specific instructions will be given on how to wash specific costumes or uniform pieces. General rule is to gently hand wash and air dry each piece. Please refer to cleaning instructions given by the director prior to cleaning any item.
- 6. If you need to sign the point book due to any demerit, you must have your merits with you at the beginning of practice to turn in.
- 7. Demerits will be recorded at the beginning of each practice. Merits should be presented at that time. Demerits received at a performance will be documented in the following practice.
- 8. All black practice day: Dancers must wear a fitted tank top or t-shirt with leggings or shorts. Tops and bottom must be solid black and fitted.
- 9. If a drill team member goes to tutorials after school when we have practice, they must return no later than 3:30 pm with a teacher note. If a Mam'selle goes before morning practice, they must be back no later than 7:30 am with a teacher's note. Students must ask the director for permission to attend a tutorial that conflicts with any practice time.
- 10. If a drill team member is going to be absent or late, they must message the director through the Band app before the meeting time.
- Incase of an injury, students can visit the athletic trainer before or after practices. Appointments are made directly with the athletic trainer and directors must be notified if the appointment runs into practice time.

I have read and understand the expectations listed above. I will follow the handbook and these expectations. I will make sure I am doing my best to stay organized, communicate with my team members and directors, and be prepared for each practice and performance. I agree to follow the director, officers, and other members in charge of the drill team duties.

Student name printed	Date
Student signature	Date

I state that I have read the attached information and I will support the director and school policy concerning the JV drill team. I understand there are scheduling, financial, and time obligations that must be met. I understand that all payments are non-refundable and I am required to pay for all items I order regardless.

Parent/guardian name printed	Date
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