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# North Garland High School Mam'selle Varsity **Tryout Packet** 2023-2024



Parent/Candidate Meeting Tuesday April 4, 2023 @ 7:00pm in NGHS Library

#### **Mam'selle Tryout Information**

When?April 24-27, 2023 3:15p.m.- 6:15p.m. (tryout practices & mock tryouts @NGHS);<br/>\*\*Mock tryouts will be on Thursday April 27, 2023 at NGHS\*\*<br/>Saturday April 29, 2023 @ Naaman Forest High School- 12:45pm- 3:15pm

During tryout practice you will learn a jazz/hip-hop style routine, technical skills and a kick series. You must attend every practice to be eligible to tryout. Practices are closed to the public. Excused absences and extenuating circumstances must be approved by Mrs. Numa, <u>in advance</u>.

April 29, 2023: tryouts; will begin at 12:45pm- 3:15pm Tryouts will be closed to the public (no parents or family/ friends waiting with candidates). Results will be announced by fine arts on GISD district website after tryouts; <u>attendance to ALL spring & summer practices</u> and summer camp is mandatory.

Where?North Garland High School Gymnasium (tryout practice);Naaman Forest High School Gymnasium (tryouts)- Saturday April 29, 2023 @ 12:45pm

What to wear? <u>Practice</u>: You must wear all black fitted dancewear: black leotard or black tank top and tights/ Dance pants or shorts. If you choose to wear spandex shorts you must wear nude/ flesh tone tights, no shorts may be worn by themselves during the tryout process (no bare legs). No crop tops/ sports bras (no midriffs showing, you must wear a sports bra (females) or dance belt (males) under your leotard/dancewear). NO JEWELRY, NO GUM AND NO NAIL POLISH during <u>practice or auditions</u>.
Your hair must be in a secured/ neat ponytail with NO hair bow (NO Whispies, secure your hair!!!!). You must Wear shoes. It would be a good idea to practice in the shoes you plan to wear at tryouts.

Tryouts: You may wear any style black leotard and black pants/shorts. Dance sneakers/ jazz shoes (black or tan) or "ked" type tennis shoes (white or black). NO JEWELRY, NO GUM AND NO NAIL POLISH. Hair should be in a secured/neat ponytail, bangs need to be pinned out of your eyes (slick). Your makeup should be darker than what you wear on a daily basis (heavy blush, mascara, eyeliner, dark eye shadow and RED lipstick) RED LIPS<sup>©</sup> (NOT pink, brown or mauve, RED!)

Who? Anyone entering grades 10-12 that meets the GISD eligibility requirements and approved to attend North Garland High School for the 2023-2024 school year may audition.

#### What if I don't make Mam'selles?

Varsity Mam'selles will be selected by a panel of qualified, outside judges. We highly encourage anyone who does not make the Varsity Drill Team to join our JV Drill Team to help prepare for tryouts again the following year. Please, see Ms. Portillo about joining JV;

We also have World Dance Company you can audition for in May.

### North Garland High School Mam'selles Line Tryouts 2023-2024

Dear Mam'selle Hopeful and Parents,

We are excited that you are considering becoming a member of our organization! Drill team has many wonderful benefits including great high school memories, lasting friendships, and a sense of pride that comes from being a part of a team. Even if you are unsure of your decision, please attend the practices, ask questions, and see what Varsity Drill Team is all about!

#### **General Information**

In the upcoming year we will be working hard to grow as a team and experience new things. In the summer, we will be attending <u>camp June 23-25</u>, where we will learn most of our pep rally and some football routines. We perform at all home and away Varsity football games, and some home basketball games, march in the Labor Day Parade, and the MLK Parade, and perform at various community events throughout the year. In the spring, we compete and host our annual spring show. Some years we even have the opportunity to take a trip to perform somewhere fun!

There are no prerequisites for becoming a Mam'selle, such as being a part of the JV drill team or having dance experience. You just need a positive attitude and a willingness to learn and work hard. There is no set number that can be chosen to be on the team. Practices begin in the morning either at 6:45 am or 7:00 am, and we have some after school practices on Tuesday, or Thursday as needed. If you do not have a ride, do not worry as many of the Mam'selles carpool to and from practices and are always willing to help each other.

I'm sure you are wondering about the cost of being a part of this organization. All practice and performance wear will be paid for at our team fitting on Tuesday, <u>May 16th</u>. Other payments, such as letter jackets, spring show fee, etc. will be due at a later date. Please remember that the first year is the most expensive and the cost goes down considerably after that.

Fundraising is an intricate part of being a Mam'selles and all members should be participating throughout the year but it is not required.

#### Mam'selles...

- are a role model for North Garland High School.
- uphold a high standard of behavior that is necessary for the integrity and reputation of the organization.
- develop respect for teammates, students, and teachers.
- tryout again every year to remain on the team (unless you are a varsity officer).
- commit to a full year of drill team double blocked both A1 & B1. (PE or Fine Arts credit)
- are required to attend class and practice in person
- maintain passing grades each grading period. UIL Requirement
- attend all morning (6:45 am) and after school practices (4:45pm 6:45pm) in person.
- are expected to meet high standards for practice and performance. Auditions are held for most performances.
- are knowledgeable of the GISD Varsity Drill Team and North Garland High School Guidelines.

#### Mam'selles Booster Club

All parents are encouraged to become involved and attend our booster club meetings. We meet to discuss fundraisers, upcoming events, parent participation, etc. It is free to join, and we need lots of help!

Please contact me with any additional questions you may have about tryouts or drill team. We look forward to seeing you!

Ms. Nicole Numa <u>Nnuma@garlandisd.net</u> (972)675-3120 ext. 61039 Se habla espanol. Sally Portillo <u>sportillo@garlandisd.net</u> North Garland High School Mam'selle Varsity Director- Ms. Nicole Numa



Ms. Numa's Contact Information

North Garland High School Mam'selles 2109 West Buckingham Rd. Garland, TX 75042

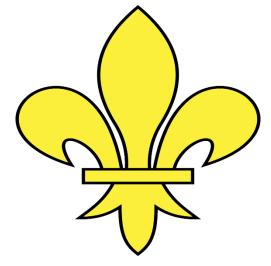
Office Phone: 972-675-3120 ext.61039

Email: <u>Nnuma@garlandisd.net</u>

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

### **Tryout Checklist**

- 1. Attend the Tryout Meeting Tuesday April 4, 2023 at 7 pm in NGHS Library
- 2. Read the GISD Fine Arts Handbook https://garlandisd.net/media/16675/download?inline
- 3. Turn in the following signed & completed items to Ms. Numa no later than Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:15 pm
  - □ Tryout Application
    - Tryout Application
       Tryout Signature Page
    - □ GISD Media Release Signature Page
    - □ GISD Fine Arts Handbook Signature page
    - □ UIL Concussion Acknowledgement Formhttps://www.uiltexas.org/files/athletics/forms/Concussion\_Acknowledment\_Form.pdf
    - □ GISD Pre Physical Evaluation Form Page 1 ONLY
    - □ Page 2 Physicals will be due before the first team practice on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>
    - □ Hopefuls with missing or incomplete forms will *not* be able to participate in tryouts or the tryout practices.
- 4. Attend tryout practices Monday- Wednesday April 24- 26 in the NGHS Competition Gym
- 5. Attend Mock tryouts Thursday, April 27 in the Competition Gym from 3:15-6:15 pm
  - $\Box$  Wear your exact tryout attire.
  - □ We will have additional practice time that evening after mock tryouts for those that want to stay.
- 6. Attend Tryouts Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at Naaman Forest High School at 12:45pm- 3:15pm
   □ We will meet at 12:45pm to check in and warm up.
- 7. All Veterans must have met the 2022-2023 financial obligations and not have any outstanding payments due.



The Parents of the Mam'selles have organized and formed a "parent organization/Booster Club". The parents of each Mam'selle will automatically become a member of the "Parent Organization". The organization meets once a month at the high school for a formal meeting and to discuss upcoming dates and events.

The main purpose of the Parent Organization is to provide the drill team with things that are not covered by the drill team budget such as water jugs, the traditional homecoming gifts, competition gifts, scholarships and the annual Spring Banquet. In addition, the Parent Organization has been able to assist the director with funds for costumes, camps, competition and spring show.

Please note: the parent organization fundraising committee may present <u>VOLUNTARY</u> fundraising opportunities to assist your family in raising dues.



### Calendar of Events/Payments

The prices on the Mam'selle order form are not approximate and are subject to change.

Please do not let the financial investment of Mam'selles be your determining factor, all payments for the year are listed below and all payment due dates are announced with plenty of notice. Many required items may be purchased from graduating Mam'selles at Senior Sell Back Night at a reduced price. Most items will only be purchased once and used all three years of Mam'selles. If your child was a La Petite some items will carry over into Mam'selles. Remember that the first year is the most expensive and the cost will be **SIGNIFICANTLY LESS** in the following years.

#### April 2023

- 1<sup>st</sup>- Spring Show @ NGHS (22-23 team members)
  - 18<sup>th</sup>- Parent Booster meeting @ NGHS @ 7pm
- 17<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup>- Officer Candidates will teach & present during class time, be prepared- TBD\*\*
- 24<sup>th</sup>- Turn in all field uniforms and competition costumes cleaned (handwashed or dry cleaned)
  - 24th- 27th- Team Tryout Clinic at NGHS at 3:15pm- 6:15pm
  - 29<sup>th</sup>- Team Tryouts at- Naaman Forest High School @ 12:45pm- 3:00pm

#### May 2023

- 1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup>- Officer 23-24 Tryout Clinic
- 4<sup>th</sup>- 23-24 Officer Mock Auditions @NGHS- "23-24 Varsity" will attend & vote 3:30pm- 7:45pm
  - 6<sup>th</sup>- 23-24 Officer auditions
  - 8<sup>th</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup>- 23-24 Team & Officer practice (Tuesday & Thursday after school) 445pm- 645pm
    - 16<sup>th</sup>- Team Uniform Fitting at NGHS- 3:30pm- 6:30pm
      - 16<sup>th</sup>- Parent Booster Meeting @ NGHS @ 7pm
        - \*\*22-23 Team Banquet @ TBD\*\*
- 23<sup>rd</sup>- New Member Inst. @NGHS Library- 23-24 Social & Line Officers will help with planning
  - 26<sup>th</sup>- Last day of school, no team practice
  - \*\*Graduation- Congrats Class of 2023!!! 😳 \*\*

#### June 2023

- 1<sup>st</sup>- 7<sup>th</sup>- Officer Camp & Officer Practice (Line & Social) TBD
- 19th- 22nd- Team Practice @ NGHS @ 12:00pm- 3:00pm TBD
  - 23<sup>rd</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup>- SMU Team Camp- TBD

#### July 2023

- <sup>1st</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup>- No Team Practice (Officers may have squad practice/ MANDATORY)
  - \*\*Booster Club may have summer fundraisers/ Carwashes etc... be prepared\*\*
    - \*\*NGHS Raider Rush- TBD- May be late July/ Early August\*\*
    - \*\*TBD- Pom Workshop w/ TJ Maple @ Waxahachie High School
      - (All Varsity Team Members will attend- bring \$20 entry fee)- MANDATORY

#### August 2023

- 1<sup>st</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup>- Squad Practices- MANDATORY
- 5<sup>th</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS 12:00pm- 3:00pm
  - 8<sup>th</sup>- First Day of School
- 11<sup>th</sup>- (TBD)-Senior Boot Painting afterschool 3pm- 5pm
  - TBD- Senior Banner Pics
- 14<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS- (start time is 7:00am; T & Th afterschool is 445pm- 645pm)
  - 21<sup>st</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS (start time is 7:00am; T & Th afterschool is 445pm- 645pm)
    - 25<sup>th</sup>- First Football Game vs. North Mesquite (away- Hanby Stadium)
      - 28<sup>th</sup>- 31<sup>st</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS

#### **Summer Squad Practices**

All Mam'selles will be <u>required</u> to attend <u>five</u> additional practices in the summer with their officer! Various squad practices times and locations will be given to students before school lets out for summer.

#### **Summer Dance Classes**

ALL Mam'selles are encouraged to take dance classes during the summer break to continue to improve their technique. I encourage all of you to take technique, jazz and ballet classes. Below are some locations but you may attend the studio of your choosing.

XD2 Dance 1802 Pleasant Valley STE 330, Garland, TX 75040
 Talent N More 1551 E Spring Valley Rd, Richardson, TX 75081
 Dance FX 4125 Broadway Blvd #190, Garland, TX 75043

ITEM	QUANTITY	SIZE	PRICE
Black Racerback Top	Qommun	ULL	\$30,00
*Racerback Top #2			\$20.00
* Racerback Top #3			\$20.00
Black sports bra			\$25.00
Spandex Shorts (black)			\$20.00
Performance tights			\$15.00
(suggested purchase			φ10.00
3-4 pairs)			
Jazz shoes- Black			\$50.00
Jazz shoes- Tan			\$50.00
*Team Tennis Shoes			\$65.00
*Bloomers- red (line only)			\$10.00
*Practice Wind Shorts			\$35.00
*High Waisted Leggings			\$45.00
*2023-24 T- Shirt			\$25.00
*2023- 24 tank top			\$30.00
*Black Practice t-shirt			\$15.00
Rhinestoned Headband			\$10.00
Performance Earrings			\$10.00
Field Boots			\$75.00
Field Hat			\$130.00/ \$150.00 (officer)
*Team Camp			\$375.00
(SMU)			<i><b>4</b>070.00</i>
*2023-2024 Team			\$100.00
Activity Fee			• • • • • •
(yearly team expenses:			
choreographer fees, team			
meals (3), spring shirt etc)			
Windsuit Jacket			\$65.00
*Windsuit Pants			\$50.00
Letter Jacket			\$155.00
*Letter Sweater (optional)			\$115.00
*Sweatshirt (optional)			\$50.00
*Team "NGHS" sparkle			\$100.00
Backpack (optional)			
*Earmuffs (optional)			\$15.00
**Officer Hat Band			\$15.00
(SGT/ Soc)			
**Line Officer Bloomers			\$10.00
**Line Officer funky top			\$40.00
*Rank Embroidery (per item)			\$10.00
**Officer Camp			\$600.00
(Social, Line & Sergeants)			
Total (add up quantity, multiply i	ndividual prices by		Total = \$

\*Indicates new item that must be reordered new from everyone on team with the <u>exception of officer and optional</u> items; optional items with an asterisk are new items but not a mandatory purchase.

\*\*Officer only items (returning officers may not need all officer clothing items).

Payment Schedule

\*\*Veterans will owe less due to previously owning items \* Take balance - \$400 (1<sup>st</sup> payment due May 1<sup>st</sup>), then divide by three, this will determine your monthly payments. Fundraising, sponsorships & purchasing previously owned items will help alleviate your costs\*\* If you make payments to the booster club pay pal account via credit/ debit card, make sure to include 5% service fee

• Monday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 <u>\$400.00</u> (clothing/camp deposit- 1<sup>st</sup> Payment)

- Thursday June 1st, 2023 <u>\$300.00</u> or \$\_\_\_\_\_
- Monday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 <u>\$300.00</u> or \$\_\_\_\_

Monday August 7, 2023 Balance owed (if any) due \$ \_\_\_

# 2023-2024 Optional Tryout Uniform

<u>Due Monday March 27, 2023 with payment (must be received on time, make payable to</u> <u>Mam'selle Booster Club)</u> in order to have by the tryout date in <u>April</u>. Tryout uniforms can be picked up the <u>week of tryouts</u> at NGHS during practice.

You may purchase the tryout uniform from NGHS or you may use something you already have or may buy from another dance store. If you order the items below, these are also on the 2023-2024 team order form, if you make the team you will not need to reorder these items.

Circle which items you would like below and indicate size.

	Black racer back top \$25.00 Size	·
	Black spandex shorts \$20.00 Size	
	High Waisted Leggings \$45.00 Size	
	Performance Tights \$15.00 Size	
•	Black Jazz or Tan Jazz Shoes \$40.00 Size	
Total: _	Ck# Cash	

### **Standard of Uniformity**

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

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

- Eye makeup must be a neutral/lighter color on the base of the eyelid. Examples are black or dark gray on the crease/ outer edge of the eyelid and a shimmery color on the eyelid. Eyeshadow should stand out and mascara or false eyelashes should be applied.
- Blush that stands out (red, dark pink or mauve), shimmery is acceptable but the color should be visible from a distance.
- Bright red lipsticks that will stay on for hours, Maybelline and Wet n Wild have affordable options.

<u>Hair:</u> Hair has been decided by a committee of students representing the diversity on our team. Natural color is expected at all times when in performing seasons. No whispies, flyaways or messy hair, hair must be neat and secure at all times.

- Camp: Hair should be secured and out of your face all of camp- hair needs to be neatly slicked back into a center part low ponytail.
- Football season: Hair is in neat pinned up French or dutch braids under your hat. \*select games we will wear our hair half-up/ half- down.
- Basketball season: Hair is worn in competition French or dutch braids, pinned to the right side in a bun or pinned up in a crown (depending on the routine style). \*select games we will wear our hair half-up/ half- down.
- Pep rally: Hair is worn in a slicked, neat, secured, center part low ponytail.
- Spring show: Hair is in neat pinned up French or dutch braids
- <u>competition season</u>: Hair is in neat pinned up French or dutch braids under your hat.

Hair should be a natural color for performances or events.

Hair tutorials and videos will be available to follow along and practice before the season begins.

### **Uniform Cleaning**

\*\*All uniforms and costumes should be hand washed in cold water with mild detergent (NO BLEACH) then laid out to dry unless otherwise instructed by the director. All uniforms and costumes must be washed before returning.

### **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. Tutorials are built into our practice schedule. Mam'selles may attend afterschool tutorials Monday- Friday. If we do have afterschool practice it will start at 4:45pm, giving plenty of time for Mam'selles to attend afterschool tutorials.
- 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.
- 11. In case of an injury, students can visit the athletic trainer <u>before or after</u> practices. Appointments are made directly with the athletic trainer and directors must be notified if the appointment runs into practice time.

### 2023-2024 Mam'selles Tryout Application

Please fill out the tryout application, then sign and date this form and submit to Ms. Numa at NGHS. PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION CLEARLY:

#### <u>Garland Independent School District Fine Arts Handbook Cheerleading, Drill Team, Step, and World</u> <u>Dance Company Permission, Commitment, and Signature Page</u>

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 )

\_\_\_\_\_ 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 am to ride to and from all 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 GISD Fine Arts groups will take precedence over any outside non-district group. This includes rehearsals and performances.

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:

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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 is required to ride to and from all events and performances on school transportation with their 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 GISD Fine Arts groups will take precedence over any outside non-district group. This includes rehearsals and performances.

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