# North Garland High School Mam'selle Varsity & JV La Petites Tryout Packet 2025-2026



Parent/Candidate Meeting Tuesday March 25, 2025 @ 7:00pm in NGHS Library

### Mam'selle & La Petite Tryout Information

When?April 21-24, 2025 5:15p.m.- 7:30p.m. (tryout practices & mock tryouts @NGHS);<br/>\*\*Mock tryouts will be on Thursday April 24, 2025 at NGHS\*\*<br/>Saturday April 26, 2025 @ TBD - @ Lakeview Centennial High School

During tryout practice you will learn a jazz/hip-hop style routine, technical skills and a kick series. We will have levels within the routine to accommodate Varsity & JV expectations. You must attend every practice to be eligible to try out. Practices are closed to the public. Excused absences and extenuating circumstances must be approved by Ms. Numa or Ms. Portillo, **in advance**.

April 26, 2025 tryouts; will begin anywhere between 8:00am- 2:00 pm- TBD 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; **attendance to ALL spring & summer practices and summer camp is MANDATORY!!!** 

**Where?** North Garland High School Gymnasium (tryout clinic/practice); Lakeview Centennial Gymnasium (official tryout)- Saturday April 26, 2025 @ TBD

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), black socks or no socks only (No other colored socks allowed). 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 © (NOT pink, brown or mauve, RED!)

**Who?** Anyone entering grades 9-12 that meets the GISD eligibility requirements and approved to attend North Garland High School for the 2025-2026 school year may audition.

### What if I don't make Mam'selles or La Petites?

Varsity Mam'selles and JV La Petites will be selected by a panel of qualified, outside judges. We highly encourage anyone who does not make the Varsity or JV Drill Team to join our Drill Prep class or Principles of Dance Classes to help prepare for tryouts again the following year. Please, see Ms. Numa or Ms. Portillo about joining drill prep or dance class at NGHS. We also have a World Dance Company you can audition for, see Ms. Portillo for information on WDC.

### North Garland High School Mam'selles & La Petites Line Tryouts 2025-2026

Dear Mam'selle & La Petite Hopefuls 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 and JV 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, Varsity will be attending **camp June 20-22 (ADTS SMU/ Overnight camp)** and JV will be doing a home camp sometime during the week of **July 21-29th.** At camp we will learn most of our pep rally and some football routines. Varsity performs at all home and away Varsity football games, JV performs at a select Varsity football game and some JV football games, both drill teams perform at select 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! Our next potential out of state trip year will be in 2027.

There are no prerequisites for becoming a Mam'selle or La Petite, such as having previous dance or studio experience. JV Drill team is open to 9-12th graders and Varsity is open to 10-12th graders. 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. Varsity practices begin in the morning at 7:00 am, and we have some after school practices on Tuesday or Thursday as needed. JV practices usually on Mondays during the fall semester and twice a week during the spring semester after school from 3:30-5:30. If you do not have a ride, do not worry as many of the Mam'selles and La Petites 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. Varsity team members will pay for all practice, performance wear and team camp between April and August of their tryout year. JV team members will have payments from May to October for the school year. 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 or La Petite and all members should be participating throughout the year but it is not required.

#### Mam'selles and La Petites...

- are role models 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.
- Varsity team members commit to a full year of drill team double blocked both A1 & B1. (PE/Fine Arts credit)
- JV team members commit to a full year of drill team single blocked on A days. (currently A2 but could move to B1. Also a PE/Fine Arts credit)
- are required to attend class and practice in person
- maintain passing grades each grading period. UIL Requirement
- attend all morning (7:00 am varsity only) and after school practices (3:45pm 5:45pm varsity, 3:30-5:30 JV).
- are expected to meet high standards for practice and performance. Auditions are held for most performances.
- are knowledgeable of the GISD Varsity and JV Drill Team and North Garland High School Guidelines.

#### Mam'selles and JV 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!

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Ms. Numa's & Ms. Portillo's Contact Information

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

### **Tryout Checklist**

- Attend the Tryout Meeting Tuesday March 25, 2025 at 7:00 pm in NGHS Library
- Read the 2025-2026 Fine Arts Handbook
- Turn in the following signed & completed items to Ms. Numa (Varsity) Ms. Portillo (JV) no later than Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 3:15 pm. All forms can be found here:
   NGHS TRYOUT FORMS 25-26 or scan QR code for folder link -----> Signature pages are also attached in the printed packets you can pick up or request
- □ NGHS Drill Team Expectations and application signature page
- □ Fill out the google form that is on the expectations page at the bottom with QR code
  - □ GISD Media Release Signature Page
  - □ GISD Fine Arts Handbook Signature page
  - □ UIL Concussion Acknowledgement Form
  - □ GISD Pre Physical Evaluation Form Page 1 ONLY
  - $\Box$  SCA awareness form,
  - Page 2 Physicals will be due before the first team practice on Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> for varsity, May 13th for JV

### Hopefuls with missing or incomplete forms will not be able to participate in tryouts or the tryout practices.

- Attend tryout practices Monday-Wednesday April 21- 23 in the NGHS Competition Gym from 5:15pm-7:30pm
- Attend Mock tryouts Thursday, April 24 in the Competition Gym from 5:15pm-8:15pm
  - □ Wear your exact tryout attire. Please see tryout information page for specific details.
  - □ We will have additional practice time that evening after mock tryouts for those that want to stay.
- □ Attend Tryouts Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at Lakeview Centennial. Estimated time is 8 am- 11 pm but please plan for any last minute changes or delays on time.
- □ All Veterans (Varsity & JV) must have met the 2024-2025 financial obligations and not have any outstanding payments due.

### For Parents:

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.







### Mam'selle 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 2025 21st - 24<sup>th</sup>- Team Tryout Clinic at NGHS at 5:00pm- 7:15pm 26<sup>th</sup>- Team Tryouts at- Garland High School @- TBD 28<sup>th</sup>- 25-26 1<sup>st</sup> team payment due- \$300.00 28<sup>th</sup>- 30th- Officer 25-26 Tryout Clinic 28th- Turn in all field uniforms and competition costumes cleaned (handwashed or dry cleaned) <u>May 2025</u> 1<sup>st</sup>- Officer 25-26 Tryout Clinic Mock Tryouts "25-26 Varsity" will attend & vote 3:30pm- 9:30pm 3<sup>rd</sup>- 25-26 Officer auditions 5<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup>- 25-26 Team & Officer practice (Tuesday & Thursday after school) 345pm- 545pm TBD- Vertical Raise Digital Cards fundraiser 25-26 team 8th-Booster Club meeting at NGHS @ 630pm 13<sup>th</sup>- Team Leader Fitting @ NGHS- 430pm- 700pm-(All 25- 26 team members attend/ Mandatory) 15<sup>th</sup>- Team Banquet @ Atrium in downtown Garland @ 6pm 20<sup>th</sup>- 25-26 2nd team payment due- \$300.00 or 1/3 of final payment due 20th- New Member Installation @NGHS Library- 25-26 Officers will plan 23<sup>rd</sup>- Last day of school, no team practice 24<sup>th</sup>- \*\*Graduation- Congrats Class of 2025!!! 😊 28th- 30<sup>th</sup>- ADTS Officer Camp in Rockwall June 2025 2<sup>nd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS @ 12:30pm- 3:35pm 9<sup>th</sup>- 12th- Team Practice @ NGHS @ 12:30pm- 3:35pm 16<sup>th</sup>- 25-26 3<sup>rd</sup> team payment due- \$300.00 or 1/2 of final payment due 16<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS @ 12:30pm- 3:35pm 20<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup>- SMU Team Camp (overnight camp) (MANDATORY) July 2025 1st- 30th- No Team Practice (Officers may have squad practice/<u>MANDATORY</u>) \*\*Booster Club may have summer fundraisers/ Carwashes etc... be prepared\*\* \*\*NGHS Raider Rush- TBD- May be late July/ Early August\*\* 24<sup>th</sup> (TBD)- Pom Workshop w/ TJ Maple @ Waxahachie High School (All Varsity Team Members will attend- bring \$20 entry fee)- MANDATORY 25<sup>th</sup> (TBD)- Michelle Leagans technique workshop @ Waxahachie High School- MANDATORY 26<sup>th</sup>- Team Party/ Bonding will happen in July- Planned by 25-26 Social Officers/ Sergeants- TBD August 2025 1st- 2nd & 5th- 9th- Squad Practices- MANDATORY- You must attend minimum of "3" squad dances 9<sup>th</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS 2:30pm- 5:30pm 11<sup>th</sup>- First Day of School; 25-26 Final Team payment/ Balances- Paid in full \*\*Items will not be issued and you will not perform 1<sup>st</sup> game if there is a remaining balance\*\* 15<sup>th</sup>-Senior Boot Painting after school 300pm- 4:00pm \*\*16th - Senior Banner Pics@ Garland High School- TBD- \*\*typically when this happens\*\* 11<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS- (start time is 7:00am/7:30am; T & Th afterschool is 345pm- 545pm) 18<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup>- Team Practice @ NGHS (start time is 7:00am; T & Th afterschool is 345pm- 545pm) 25<sup>th</sup>- 29th- Team Practice @ NGHS (start time is 7:00am; T & Th afterschool is 345pm- 545pm) 28<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup>- First Football Game vs. ???- TBD **Summer Squad Practices** 

All Mam'selles will be <u>required</u> to attend <u>three</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

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Total (add up quantity, multiply individual prices by quantity) Total = \$

\*Indicates new item that must be reordered new from everyone on team with the exception of officer and optional 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 April 28th, 2025 \$400.00 (clothing/camp deposit- 1<sup>st</sup> Payment)

 Wednesday May 19th, 2025 \$300.00 or \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Monday June 16th, 2025 \$300.00 or \$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Monday August 11th, 2025 Balance owed (if any) due \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Total:
 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Cash\_\_\_\_\_

### Varsity Mam'selle 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.
- ✤ <u>Pep rally</u>: Hair is worn in a slicked, neat, secured, center part low ponytail.
- ✤ <u>Spring show</u>: Hair is in neat pinned up French or dutch braids
- <u>competition season</u>: Hair is in neat pinned up French or dutch braids. JV La Petites perform in ensemble routine with Mam'selles during contest season & will wear the same hair style as Mam'selles.

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. You have the option of taking your uniforms to the dry cleaners at your expense if you do not want to hand wash.

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**Nails**: 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 a neutral color; examples are brown or gray on the crease and a shimmery color on the eyelid. No colorful eyeshadow like pinks, blues, purples, etc. Mascara on the eyelashes will help eyes stand out. False lashes are optional but required for any spring semester performance.
- 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. We will purchase a team order of red lipstick for performances.

Hair: 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 low slicked back ponytail, middle part.
- Football season: High slicked back ponytail, no part, curled.
- \* *Basketball season and pep rallies*: Hair must be in a low slicked back ponytail, middle part curled.
- Contest/Evaluation: Hair is in neat pinned up French or dutch braids. JV La Petites perform in ensemble routine with Mam'selles during contest season & will wear the same hair style as Mam'selles.
- Spring Show: Hair is in neat pinned up French or dutch braids

**Earrings:** We do wear our team earrings for all performances. Pierced and clip on available. You will get one pair to start off with, additional pairs can be purchased throughout the year. Price TBD

- ★ March 25 Tryout meeting in the NGHS Library. Parent/guardian must attend
- ★ April 21-26 Tryout week, tryouts will be Saturday at Lakeview Centennial HS. Times TBD
- ★ Tuesday, May 13th TEAM FITTINGS, sign up for time will be sent via email
- ★ Tuesday May 20th 5:15-7:15 Team Practice must have the doctor cleared physical turned in! (page 2)
- ★ Tuesday May 27th 9 am 12 pm Team Practice
- ★ Wednesday June 18th DanzGear payment due ONLINE!
- ★ July 21-July 26 Team Camp and Practices at NGHS- specific dates and times TBD
- ★ La Petite officer tryouts TBD
- ★ Official Schedule for the Fall semester will be shared in May during team fittings! Most practices will be on Mondays or Tuesdays in the fall semester from 3:30-5:30. In the Spring semester it usually becomes Tuesday and Thursdays. Most football games are Wednesdays or Thursdays with JV. We do attend 3 Friday Varsity games. Keep in mind, game nights can go as late as 10 pm. During contest seasons, the contest are on Saturdays and it's typically an all day event, for example 7 am - 11 pm.
- $\star$  Bring part of a team required extra time outside of school hours. The director will share the schedule weeks, really months in advance and all events and practices are mandatory.

Once the students make the team, they will asked to download and join the Band app. This is where the calendar is posted, weekly reminders, notifications and a way for students to reach their director. This is only for the students, there will be a different app available for parents.

### La Petites Expenses

### Practice Wear & Paraphernalia from TeamLeader & DanzGear (cash or credit card) (all prices are estimated)

Payment #1: Total \$340

Pay to TeamLeader: \$165 TL accepts cash, card, money order Jazz shoes \$49 Black team jogger pants \$40 Dance tights (3) \$42 Game day shirt \$15 Red tank top \$8 Pink tank top \$8 Delivery fee \$3 *OPTIONAL ITEMS:* Parent t shirt \$16-22 Team sweatshirt \$25 Plain black T shirt \$5

Pay to NGHS La Petites: \$175 Camp deposit \$100 Team Boots \$75 Payment #2: \$163 (tax not included) Payment online only Pay to DanzGear: \$163 Team Sports Bra \$23.80 Team Shorts \$22 Team Leggings \$44.20 Team Jacket \$48.85 Black Tank \$23.80

Payment #3 Pay to NGHS La Petites: \$180 Payment can be cash or check Team Supplies/Activity Payment \$130 Camp and technique fee \$50

### <u>Payment #4 \$60</u>

Spring T shirt and competition expenses

### Grand total: \$743

### Additional items needed:

Links on where you can purchase some of these will be on the team canvas page under modules. You must have these items by July 21st

- Black sports bras to wear to practice daily
- o Solid black ankle length leggings to wear to practice daily
- Black socks for practice
- o Maybelline SuperStay Matte ink Lipstick in Pioneer red
- Nude strapless bra

### Payment due dates

- Monday May 13, 2025 Teamleader and to NGHS La Petites, total \$340, \$165 goes to teamleader card or cash and \$175 to La Petites, cash or check. There will be extras such as parent t shirt, la petite sweatshirt or if you want to order multiples of things with team leader. You may have the opportunity to buy some items used for a lesser price. The \$175 La Petites payment goes towards the dancers boots and team camp deposit. Order forms will be available in person. You will also be measured for your uniform, get sizing for drill team boots and items from Danzgear.
- Wednesday Jun 18, 2025 \$163 (tax not included) Danzgear Payment due online! This is for the rest of their practice wear and team jacket.
- Monday, July 21, 2025 \$180 due to La Petites for remaining camp payment and team expenses. Team expenses covers their team water bottle, earrings, pink out shirt, hair bow, team sneakers and more!
- Monday October 13, 2025 final payment \$60 for spring t shirt, competition meals and contest headpiece.