

# 2020-2021 Lewis Central Cheerteam Tryouts

## \*\*\* Tryout Introduction Letter & Permission \*\*\*

Dear Potential Lewis Central Cheerleader,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Lewis Central cheerleader. Cheerleading can be a very fulfilling and rewarding experience, but it is also demanding, disciplined, and challenging in its nature. Please read everything thoroughly and make sure that you and your parents/guardians have signed the required documents and have a full understanding of what is expected. If you do make the 2020-2021 LC Cheerteam, a team meeting will be held and the coaching staff will review expectations as well as our cheerteam constitution to ensure that all rules are understood.

There will only be one tryout for the 2020-2021 cheerleading squad. Currently, Lewis Central just has one Varsity team. If you make the team, you are committing to cheering through football, basketball, wrestling, and competition – basically, from spring until the following spring. Cheerleading is an athletic activity like a sport so it must be treated like one and be given priority, next to academics and other school activities. You will be required to attend all practices, games, and other team functions, which will include fundraising activities. If you are a cheerleader at LC, you may not participate in any fall or winter sports. Being an LC cheerleader requires a great deal of time and commitment – this cannot be stressed enough! It is difficult for the team if students are lost half-way through the season because they did not understand just how busy they were going to be – you must be prepared to make cheerleading a very large part of your life and schedule.

Because you will be representing Lewis Central if you are chosen to be a member of the cheerteam, then you will be expected to conduct yourself properly, on and off school grounds, and will be held to a higher standard than most students. You must follow the rules and regulations for the school as well as those designated for the cheerleading team.

Everyone, new and returners, have an equal shot at making the team. As it is the mission of the cheerleading program at Lewis Central to not only select talented athletes, we also seek out individuals that exemplify the highest moral and academic standards. As such, the cheerleading candidates are judged not only on skill, athleticism, and the physical requirements, but also school and team spirit, ability to work with others, academics, dependability, classroom conduct, and teacher evaluations.

Being a member of the Lewis Central High School Cheerteam has many rewards and is a valuable experience you will remember for a lifetime. Additionally, you will give pride and spirit to our school, students, and community through your participation! I am delighted to offer you the opportunity to join one of the most spirited organizations at our school and we look forward to a successful and great year! If you have any questions concerning cheerleader roles and responsibilities, tryouts, rules, or anything in this application packet, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your cooperation!

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**Applicant Agreement:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read the tryout packet and information for the Lewis Central High School Cheerteam. As a representative and leader of my school, I understand and agree to abide by all rules and regulations if selected as a member of the LCHS Cheerteam for the 2020-2021 school year. I further understand that cheerleading is an extracurricular activity that requires a great deal of time and commitment and that attendance at all practices, games, special functions, and summer camp is a requirement.

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parental Permission:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read and fully understand the rules and regulations which will govern my child if he/she is chosen to represent Lewis Central High School as a member of the 2020-2021 Cheerteam. I further understand that this is an extracurricular activity that requires a great deal of time and commitment and that attendance at all practices, games, special functions, and summer camp is a requirement of the elected Cheerteam Member.

I hereby give consent to my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to audition for the Lewis Central Cheerteam and recognize his/her responsibilities and requirements as a leader of his/her school. I understand that, if chosen, we will have financial obligations related to cheerleading such as summer camp, and personal apparel items.

Further, I understand that with all sports there is a risk of injury including muscle pulls, broken bones or even major catastrophic injuries. I will not hold Lewis Central, Coach Hytrek, or any of its personnel responsible in case of an accident or injury. I give my permission for my child to receive medical attention in the event that I cannot be present or reached for any reason.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_