

Students and Parents:

Thank you for expressing an interest in the PHS Spiritline! Being a cheerleader is an incredibly rewarding experience, but one that requires dedication and commitment; like any other sport.

Varsity Tryouts Need to Know:

- for current PHS students
 - 10 Pom and 12 Cheer positions will be available
 - Monday, April 23rd-Thursday, April 26th
 - 3:00 – 5:00 pm
 - Gym B
 - Athletes will need to indicate which team/teams they wish to participate on at this tryout. (i.e. Football and/or Basketball season (s) as well as Dance OR Cheer)
 - Registrations and Physical Clearance must be completed ONLINE before the first tryout date at www.registerMyAthlete.com. For questions contact the athletic secretary or coach.
 - Applications and clearance due back to Mrs. Halford by Thursday, April 19th. Late applications will NOT be accepted.
1. Judges select members of the Spiritline by an extensive scoring method (see rubric below). Not only will your skills and enthusiasm be assessed, but the judges will also review teacher recommendations. Your score will be negatively affected if you were part of the squad previously but quit or were dismissed, have been illegible, or if you have had behavior problems in school. Judges will also be observing how candidates work and interact during the week. Being a member of this team goes well beyond physical ability. The judges (consisting of coaches, former coaches and cheerleaders, teachers, etc.) know the importance of commitment, dedication, and responsibility.

1=needs improvement 5=proficient in skills

Personality:	1	2	3	4	5
Motion Accuracy:	1	2	3	4	5
Voice Projection:	1	2	3	4	5
Chant:	1	2	3	4	5
Dance:	1	2	3	4	5
Kicks:	1	2	3	4	5
Jumps/Turns/Leaps	1	2	3	4	5
Tumbling/Dance Skills:	1	2	3	4	5
Teacher Rec:	1	2	3	4	5
Grades:	1	2	3	4	5

2. Video of the dance and cheer will be available to athletes to utilize outside of tryouts.
3. There is a significant time and cost commitment to being on cheer and dance. Please see attach list of obligations and payment plan options.
4. Cheer/dance camp is **mandatory**, with **no** exceptions. Camp will take place in Flagstaff this year from June 21-24 at NAU. It's an overnight camp where you will learn dances, cheers, and stunting skills.
5. You must pass all of your classes to be a member of the PHS Spiritline, and since you represent PHS at all times, we expect you to be committed students and role models with exceptional work ethic and moral standards of behavior.
6. We need your complete commitment to the PHS Spiritline. If you miss a practice or game due to another sport/activity you will be benched or dismissed.

Hopefully this letter has answered all of your questions, but please plan on attending the parents meeting. Please sign this page of the letter and return it with the application. In so doing, you confirm that you've read the letter and that you give permission for your student to try out for the 2018 - 2019 PHS Spiritline.

Thanks and GO BADGERS!

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Ms. Mallory Barrett

Mrs. Christie Chandler

PHS 2018-2019 Spiritline Responsibilities

- a. **Camp:** Camp will be held at NAU Flagstaff and IS mandatory. Total cost of camp will be \$379.00. Payments for camp and shirts are due before we attend.
- b. **Clothing Costs:** Costs are estimates and not included in the below payments
 - Camp/Game day clothes
 1. 4 pairs of Sophie shorts: blue, yellow, white, black (\$40)
 2. Spanks (under skirt): black Nike Pros are best (\$10-15 each)
 - Shoes: \$85- \$95
 - Bows: \$10 cash to pay for ribbon and 4 bows will be made for you.
- c. **Physicals:** Everyone is required to have a physical. NO ONE can attend a tryout and/or practice without a signed clearance slip from the athletic secretary and the bookstore.
- d. **Other Costs:**
 - Pictures (you pick what you want and pay the photographer directly).
 - Secret Santa/Snowflake
- e. **Payment:** Make checks payable to **PHS Cheer**. These can be given to either paid online, taken directly to the bookstore, or given coach directly. Please keep all receipts and bring a copy to a coach as proof of payment.

<p>Returning Varsity Camp Payment Total: \$594.00 Includes camp (\$369, pay-to-play \$130, and 4 shirts \$85.) (All other items are purchased independently)</p>	<p>By May 24th Shirts & Camp \$454</p>	<p>By August Pay-Play \$130</p>
<p>New Varsity Camp Payment Total: \$735.00 Includes camp, pay-to-play, 4-shirts, jacket, and backpack. (All other items are purchased independently)</p>	<p>By May 24th Shirts, Bags, & Camp \$525</p>	<p>By August Pay-Play & Jacket \$200</p>

2. **Commitments /Performances:**

- a. Fourth of July Parade
- b. Badger Day (freshman orientation day or two before school starts)
- c. Homecoming Parade and Bonfire
- d. Holiday Parade
- e. Shop-With-A-Cop in December
- f. Special Needs appearance and performance
- g. Progressive dinner/Holiday dinner
- h. Be prepared that seasons may run **longer** than the last game depending on play-offs. You are required to be at these games.
- i. Kindergarten Fair in February/March
- j. 8th Grade Open House/Orientation in August and March.
- k. You never know what we will be asked to do! Be ready for anything!

3. **Bus:** We need as many girls as possible to ride the bus to away games. If too many girls don't ride, we will lose the bus. If you need to be picked up by a parent, a permission slip must be filled out and approved by administration.

4. **Fundraisers:**

- a. We will be caring banners in the 4th of July parade as one of our fundraisers.
- b. Any other ideas are welcomed from parents and team members!

5. **Practices:**

Summer: We will be practicing 3 days/week in June up until camp.
T-W-TH from 6:30-8:30 a.m. Starting June 4th.

Football Season: We will be practicing 3-4 days/week.
Typically M-T-Th with games on Fridays.

Basketball season: Due to varying game days and supporting both girls and boys teams you must be **VERY** flexible. Game days are not consistent which in turn will make practices inconsistent and ever changing. We WILL have Wednesday morning practices.

6. **Captains:** Before we select captains for each squad, we will have several practices so that we can get to know each other. It is important that people are selected based on work ethic, responsibility, respect and numerous other qualities. Just because you are a senior doesn't mean you will be captain. Captains will be selected before camp!

7. **Grades:** This is the most important part of being on the squad. Let me know if you are having problems and we can work together to get you the help you need. If you fail you will sail!

8. **Responsibility of Girls:** Parents, please let your son/daughter handle all issues. Give him/her the experience of having to speak to us directly. Mrs. Halford is here all day, every day, and between classes. I would rather your daughter be "obligated" to address me with her problem. This will help her grow as a person and strengthen our relationship.

PHS Spiritline Application

*Mrs. Loreta Halford ~ Ms. Mallory Barrett ~ Mrs. Christie Chandler
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Student's Name: _____

Current Grade: _____ School: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

Parent Phone(s): _____

Parent Cell Phone(s): _____

Parent Email: _____

Student's Email: _____

Student's Cell Phone: _____

I am trying out for: circle all those you are willing to be selected for.

Varsity Cheer Fall/Football

JV Cheer Fall/Football

Varsity Cheer Winter /Basketball

JV Fall/Basketball

Dance Fall/Football

Dance Winter/Basketball

If I do NOT make Varsity I am willing to be on JV. Please keep my application: **YES** **NO**

Checklist: (all must be attached /finalized for application to be considered complete and on time)

Application _____

Register My Athlete & Physical Complete _____

Copy of Current Grades _____

Clearance Slip (from Athletic Secretary) _____

3 Teacher Recommendations _____

Read & Signed Permission Slip _____

Signed Medical Release Form _____

I have read and understand all the expectations of the PHS Spiritline team and tryout process.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Athlete Signature: _____ Date: _____

**Prescott High School
Training, Practice, Clinic, Open Gym Release Form**

Participants Name: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____

Parent(s) Phone Number: _____ and/or _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Medical Treatment Authorization and Liability Release

I, the undersigned parent or guardian, do hereby grant permission for my

daughter/son, _____ to participate in the activity of

(Name of Participant)

_____ at Prescott High School. In order that my

(Name of Activity)

daughter/son may receive the necessary medical treatment in the event she/he may sustain injury or illness during participation in this activity, I hereby authorize the coach or other supervising adult to obtain medical treatment for my daughter/son for such injury or illness during this activity, and I hereby hold PUSD School District, Prescott High School and its representatives harmless in the exercise of authority.

I understand that this activity involves risk to the participant. I further acknowledge and understand that due to the nature of this activity, which involves inversion and rotation of the body, there is a possibility that my daughter/son may sustain physical illness or injury (minimal, serious, or catastrophic), in connection with her or his participation. I further acknowledge and understand that my daughter/son is assuming the risk of such physical illness or injury by her/his participation, and I further release PUSD School District, Prescott High School and its representatives from any claims for personal illness or injury that my daughter/son may sustain during participation in this activity.

I further understand that Prescott High School has established rules and regulations pertaining to conduct, behavior and activities of all students and participants, by which my daughter/son must abide during participation in this activity, and that my daughter/son and I will be responsible for her/his failure to abide by those rules and regulations.

My daughter/son and I have read and understood the above Medical Treatment Authorization and Liability Release.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Prescott High School - Varsity Spiritline

Teacher Recommendation

Give this form to three (3) teachers. Teachers will NOT give these back to the applicant.
Please place the completed form in Mrs. Halford's mailbox.

Athlete's Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Class: _____ Current % and Letter Grade: _____

The **PHS Varsity/JV Spirit Line Selection Committee** needs your careful consideration of this candidate's character in order to establish the qualifications for selection. These references represent a picture of the student you are acquainted with, whether in the classroom or in some other activity.

Rating Scale: Circle one number for each category 1 being lowest 5 being highest

5=always 4=most of the time 3=sometimes 2=seldom 1= never

5 4 3 2 1 BEHAVIOR: Cheerful, friendly, poised, stable, and cooperative.

5 4 3 2 1 CLASSROOM: Takes criticism willingly, accepts recommendations graciously, is courteous and respectful, and acts as a role model for others.

5 4 3 2 1 CONDUCT: Complies with school regulations concerning property, programs, attendance, tardiness, and personal appearance

5 4 3 2 1 INTEGRITY: Demonstrates the highest standards of truthfulness and reliability; Upholds high principles of personal and academic morality and ethics.

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Comments _____

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