



## **PHYSICAL FORMS**

All candidates trying out for cheerleading must have a valid physical on file with the school. The physical must be good through April 15, 2021. Physicals must be uploaded on the DragonFly app using the Gwinnett County physical form, which can be found under the “More” tab at [www.daculaathletics.com](http://www.daculaathletics.com). Physicals must be filled out in entirety (all 4 pages), including the doctors’ portion and insurance information. If you wish to purchase school insurance, you can find information at [www.daculaathletics.com](http://www.daculaathletics.com) under the “More” tab.

## **ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY**

According to the Georgia High School Athletic Association, all current high school students trying out for cheerleading in the spring must have passed 5 out of 6 classes in the fall of 2019 and be on track for graduation. Eligibility for current high school students will be verified during tryout week. All rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders are academically eligible to try out. All students trying out for cheerleading must have their teachers complete the Teacher Grade Report Form and turn it in as part of the tryout packet. Please make sure you use the form provided and not printed grade reports or old report cards.

## **TRYOUT EXPECTATIONS**

Your evaluation will begin on the first day of tryouts. Your attitude, tumbling skills, stunt position and skills, timeliness, and ability to learn and follow directions, as well as your academics and discipline will be evaluated. Any athletes showing poor attitude, timeliness, or ability to listen and follow directions can be dismissed from tryouts early if decided upon by the coaches.

## **SQUAD INFORMATION**

Varsity Competition: 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders (12-16 participants)

Junior Varsity Competition: 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders (8-16 participants)

Final participation numbers and teams will be dependent on the number and ability level of candidates trying out. Spots will be filled based on the stunting needs of each squad, as well as on the tryout expectations listed earlier in the packet.

## **BOOSTER CLUB INVOLVEMENT**

Our success as a cheerleading program depends on having involved parents! If your child makes a squad, you are required to become an active member of our booster club. We will ask all parents to attend booster club meetings and to be involved by serving at our cheer competition and taking part in other events and fundraisers as needed. We want to have a successful program for your child, so thank you in advance for your participation!

## **FUNDRAISING**

In order for us to run our program successfully and to provide our cheerleaders with supplies, uniforms, equipment, and general needs, we must have all members of our program actively taking part in all fundraisers that our program carries out. Fundraisers we are planning for the upcoming season are: Laundry Mama detergent and dish soap fundraiser after tryouts, football program ad sales over the summer, and hosting our Dacula Cheer Classic competition on September 11, 2021. All cheerleaders are required to participate in each fundraiser or to pay an opt-out fee, which will be added to their cheerleading balance.

## IMPORTANT SUMMER DATES FOR COMPETITION SQUADS

-Clothes Fittings: April 15, Location TBD

Rising 12<sup>th</sup> Graders: 2:30 pm

Rising 11<sup>th</sup> Graders: 3:00 pm

Rising 10<sup>th</sup> Graders: 3:30 pm

Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Graders: 4:15 pm

-Meet and Greet Booster Meeting: April 19, 6:30 pm, via Zoom

-JV and Varsity Uniform Fittings: April 21, 2:30pm (HS students), 4:15pm (MS students), DHS Cheer Room

-Practice at Star Athletics in Winder: most Tuesdays during June and July, 3-5 pm

-Practice/Conditioning at DHS (Old Gym): every Thursday in June and July, 9am-11 am (excluding days when there is Stunt Camp or Choreography)

-Stunt Camp: June 9-11, JV: 9-11am, Varsity: 12-2pm at Star Athletics

-Stunt Choreography: June 17, JV: 12-2pm, Varsity: 2-4pm at Star Athletics

-Pyramid Choreography: June 18, Varsity: 12-2pm, JV: 2-4pm at Star Athletics

-Routine Choreography Varsity: July 22, 9am-3pm at Star Athletics

-Routine Choreography JV: July 21, 9am-3pm at Star Athletics

-Varsity Dance Choreography: TBD at Star Athletics

-JV Dance Choreography: July 30, time TBD at Star Athletics

-Mandatory Practices: Mandatory practices are allowed to begin on August 1. Your coach will provide you with a detailed calendar as soon as fall dates are available.

### -----VARSITY COMPETITION FEES-----

Uniform Rental	\$75.00
Choreography	\$250.00
Bow (female athletes only)	\$15.00
Practice Shirts	\$30.00
Lay Coach Fee	\$360.00
Skills Camp	\$85.00
Competition Entry Fee	\$60.00
Competition Day Sweatshirt	\$30.00
Baseball Jersey	\$45.00

#### **TOTAL**

**VARSITY COMP: \$950 (females), \$935 (males)**

\*\*The team will have tumbling and practice at Star Athletics once a week from June-November. That \$50 per month will be paid directly to Star in Winder. Any additional practices at Star will be covered through the lay coaching fee.

### -----JV COMPETITION FEES-----

Uniform Rental	\$75.00
Choreography	\$250.00
Bow (female athletes only)	\$15.00
Practice Shirts	\$30.00
Lay Coach Fee	\$120.00
Skills Camp	\$85.00
Competition Entry Fee	\$60.00
Competition Day Sweatshirt	\$30.00
Dacula Comp Baseball Jersey	\$45.00

**TOTAL**

**JV COMP: \$710 (females), \$695 (males)**

\*\*The team will have tumbling at Star Athletics once a week from June-October. That \$50 per month will be paid directly to Star in Winder. Any additional practices at Star will be covered through the lay coaching fee.

-----**OPTIONAL ITEMS FOR CHEERLEADERS**-----

Shoes (competition only)	\$75 – \$94
Dacula Comp Bookbag	\$76.00
Booster Club Dues (only if not cheering sideline)	\$150.00

**PAYMENTS**

Please note that all money is not due in full at one time. We will set up payments over a 5-month span with the final payment due on August 31, 2021. We do understand that sometimes situations arise and you may need to pay in small payments or a few days after a due date. By signing the attached permission form, you are acknowledging that you will notify the booster club treasurer in regards to any such situations and that you fully understand that all payments are still due and must be paid.

A total amount of \$400.00 will be due by the April 19 Meet and Greet meeting. This goes directly toward your balance and allows us to order initial gear. You will receive payment reminders around the time of the Meet and Greet that will tell you your total due and what each payment is for. If you have any questions about financial matters, please email the DHS Falcon Cheer Board at [dhsfalconcheer@gmail.com](mailto:dhsfalconcheer@gmail.com).

## PARENT PERMISSION FORM

I give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to try out for cheerleading at Dacula High School for the 2021-2022 season. I understand the coaches choose their teams, and I will support their decisions. I have read the tryout packet and understand the policies and guidelines included.

I understand that if my child makes a cheerleading squad, I am responsible for paying all fees that are owed. I understand that I will be obligated to pay \$400.00 by April 19, 2021. I also understand that I will owe the remainder of the balance due on assigned due dates throughout the season. I understand that if this money is not paid then orders of items will not be placed for clothing, uniforms, and gear and items will not be distributed until they have been paid for.

I understand that if my child is dismissed from a squad for any reason or quits a squad at any point after being selected for a squad that no refunds will be issued for money or items. I also understand that if my child is dismissed from or quits a squad, he/she will lose banquet privileges and will not receive additional items or gifts.

I understand that participation in fundraisers is a requirement for all DHS cheerleaders. I am aware that if I do not participate in a fundraiser, an opt-out fee will be added to my balance and I will be required to pay it to attend the banquet and receive end-of-season gifts.

I give DHS Falcon Cheer and DHS cheerleading coaches permission to distribute my email address and phone numbers to team members, team moms, and board members to keep me informed on team news.

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_