



# Mascot & Cheerleader Tryouts

## Little Elm High School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Your child is interested in becoming a member of Little Elm High School cheerleading squad/mascot for the 2023-2024 school year. If selected, your child must assume specific responsibilities and obligations in order to qualify and remain part of the squad.

### **Things to consider before trying out:**

- The cost for each **cheerleader** is approximately:
  - \*High School - \$1,400 for a new cheerleader and \$800 for a returner.
  - \*Mascot is approximately \$650.
  - \*These totals for cheer and mascot includes required uniforms, summer cheerleading camp, and camp uniforms/practice clothes. Uniform/practice clothes - paid up front prior to order in the spring. Opportunities for fundraising to cover costs will be provided.*
- Time Commitment/Summer Camp/Summer Practices/Before & After School Practices/Evening Events
- Fundraising Expectations
- Discipline/Infraction System/Constitutions
- Social Media Expectations

We never want price to deter someone from trying out, if you need to discuss options, please don't hesitate to email us.

After reading and fully understanding the rules and regulations, please discuss with your child the responsibilities and time commitment expected of Little Elm High School cheerleaders. If your child fully understands what is expected of her/him as a cheerleader or mascot and chooses to try-out, please read over the eligibility requirements and complete the tryout paperwork and turn into Coach Smith by **Friday, March 3rd, 2023 by 2:55 PM.**

**Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Current physical and cleared (Make a copy and turn in a copy)
2. Turned in Tryout Application and Medical Release Form
3. Turned in the signature page for Acknowledgement of the Constitution.
4. Turned in the signature page for Social Media Contract.
5. Candidates cannot be on any attendance or behavior contract with their House Principal.
6. Candidates must have no DAEP or JJ assignments and no more than 3 ISS or 2 OSS assignments.
7. Any candidate who removes themselves from the program due to circumstances out of their control prior to the end of the current cheer year, may be eligible to try out with approval from the coaches and administration. (Circumstances may include family emergencies, personal medical emergencies, physical/mental illness)

**Try Out Dates:**

<u>Friday March 3rd:</u>	Tryout packets due and material will be posted
<u>Monday, March 6th:</u>	All Participants 5:30-7:30pm (Multi-Purpose Facility)
<u>Tuesday, March 7th:</u>	All Participants 5:30-7:30pm (Small Gym)
<u>Wednesday, March 8th:</u>	All Participants 5:30-7:30pm (Main Gym)
<u>Thursday, March 9th:</u>	Current HS Students 3:30-5pm (report to Small Gym) Current MS Students will start immediately following HS (estimated to start at 5:30pm) <b>*There will be NO call backs</b>
<u>Friday March 10th:</u>	Results will be posted on the cheerleading website and instagram.

**Candidates may wear any lobo colors and athletic shoes for clinics.**

**Required Apparel for ALL Candidates on the day of Tryouts (Thursday March 9th):**

- Black or Navy Athletic Shorts
- Plain White T Shirt or Tank Top
- Clean Athletic Shoes with White Socks
- Hair should be pulled back out of the face.
- Candidates may wear any colored bow and makeup.
- Please wear appropriate undergarments so that your attire is not a distraction during your tryout.
- No jewelry to be worn during clinic or tryouts.

# *Judge's Ballot*

**Candidate #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rallying:** *(on a scale of 0-5)*

Sharp Motions/Varied Callouts	Crowd engagement	Voice Projection	Total
			_____/15

**Tumbling:** *(on a scale of 0-5)*

Score varies on execution	Running	Standing	Total
0-No tumbling 1-Round off/walkover 2-BHS/RBHS 3-BHS series/ tuck 4- Layout 5-Full			_____/10

**Jumps:** *(on a scale of 0-5)*

Toe Touch	Jump 2	Jump 3	Total
			_____/15

**Dance:** *(on a scale of 0-5)*

Rhythm/Technique	Memory	Performance	Total
			_____/15

**Cheer:** *(on a scale of 0-5)*

Motion Technique/Sharpness	Voice Projection	Crowd Engagement	Total
			_____/15

**Fight Song:** *(on a scale of 0-5)*

Motion Technique/Sharpness	Memory	Crowd Engagement	Total
			_____/15

**Overall Impression:** *(on a scale of 0-10)*

Comments:	<b>Total</b>
	_____/10

**Total Score:** \_\_\_\_\_ / 95

## **Making the Team**

The following information pertains only to athletes who make the 23-24 LEHS cheer team.

### Uniforms:

Uniforms are school issued with potential some made available to purchase.

### Competition Team:

Our goal for next year is to have multiple competition teams, in hopes that all members will be able to compete. All levels will have a chance to be selected for a competitive team.

### Other Athletics:

If a member of the LEHS Cheer Program chooses to participate in another LEHS UIL Sport, the coaches of the two programs will meet to devise a shared schedule. As of now, shared athletes will not be able to move out of the class period as all other sports have practice every day after school and we do not.

Please know that the LEHS Coaches will work together to come up with a schedule that best allows the student to meet the commitments they have made to the team.

### Summer:

- Practice days will be scheduled prior to camp and after as needed.
- Mandatory Cheer Camp- NCA @ The Gaylord Texan Grapevine, TX (**July 17-20**)

### Fall:

- Football Games
- Volleyball Games
- Playoff Games
- Competition Practice up to once a week.

### Winter Break:

- UIL practices dates
- UIL Competition **Jan 4-6th**

### Spring:

- Basketball Games
- Playoff Games

### Other:

- Fundraisers
- Parades
- Back-to-School Bash
- Community Pep Rallies
- Lobopalooza
- Play-off/Send-off Celebrations
- Broadcasted Events and Pep Rallies
- Any other events where the cheer program is requested to represent LEHS.

## **Important Dates:**

Here is a list of important events to mark on your calendar if your child makes the team!

### **March**

6th-8th Tryout Clinic

Thursday 9th- Tryout Date

Friday 24th- Baseball Game

Monday 27th- Uniform Fitting

Tuesday 28th- Softball Game

\*Mandatory Parent meeting date is TBD

### **April**

\*After school practice days may be added. Two weeks notice will be given prior. We understand there may already be scheduled conflicts. Notice will need to be given to coaches as soon as a conflict arises.

### **May**

\*After school practice days may be added. Two weeks notice will be given prior. We understand there may already be scheduled conflicts. Notice will need to be given to coaches as soon as a conflict arises.

### **June**

\*After school practice days may be added. Two weeks notice will be given prior. We understand there may already be scheduled conflicts. Notice will need to be given to coaches as soon as a conflict arises.

### **July**

17th-20th- Cheer Camp

\*After school practice days may be added. Two weeks notice will be given prior. We understand there may already be scheduled conflicts. Notice will need to be given to coaches as soon as a conflict arises.

### **August**

\*Practices and back to school events will be scheduled

*We appreciate your interest in joining the LEHS Cheer Program!*

*If you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to reach out to your student's potential team coach.*

#### **Freshman Team (incoming 9th graders):**

Coach Addie Maxwell // [amaxwell@leisd.ws](mailto:amaxwell@leisd.ws)

#### **Junior Varsity Team (incoming 10th & 11th graders):**

Coach Catherine Smith // [csmith6@leisd.ws](mailto:csmith6@leisd.ws)

#### **Varsity Team Coach (incoming 11th & 12th graders):**

Coach Chandler Smith // [csmith@leisd.ws](mailto:csmith@leisd.ws)

## 2023-2024 LEHS Cheer Estimated Expenses

**\*All values are approximated**

<b><u>Payment 1:</u></b> Paid to Flip dog	Due April 3rd
Required Camp Attire (Required 3 shirts and 1 pair of short)	\$88
Rain Jacket (Required)	\$52
Ear Warmer (Optional)	\$17
Navy and white soffee shorts (optional if you already own them)	\$20
Navy Sweatshirt (Optional)	\$43
Shipping	\$10
<b>Total</b>	<b>Approx \$150-230</b>

<b><u>Payment 2:</u></b> <i>Paid to Varsity</i>	TBD
Backpack (Required)	\$42
Spandex Shorts (Required)	\$27
Poms (required - all returners must buy a new pair of poms)	\$46.50
All team Bows (Navy Rhinestone, Navy Long Tail) (Required for all teams)	\$34
Varsity white Bow (Varsity only) (Required for Varsity)	\$24
Sports Bra (Optional)	\$41
Shoes (Optional)	\$45
<b>Total</b>	<b>Approx \$150-260</b>

<b><u>Payment 3:</u></b> Paid to Varsity	TBD
Camp (required)	\$550

<b><u>Payment 4:</u></b> <i>Paid to Varsity</i>	TBD
Navy Liner (Required)	\$24
Fleece Jacket (Required)	\$92
Warm up pants (Required)	\$67
Oatmeal Sweatshirt (Optional)	\$55
<b>Total</b>	<b>Approx \$183-207</b>

<b><u>Payment 5:</u></b>	TBD
Team Shirts (team shirt, competition shirt)	\$30 each
Megaphone Design (Seniors)	\$50
<b>Total</b>	<b>Approx \$60-110</b>

<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>Approx \$1,000-1,400</b>
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**Optional Uniform Purchases:**

Navy Uniform (Varsity Only-Optional)	\$180
White Uniform (Varsity Only-Optional)	\$180
Criss Cross Shell and Pleated Skirt (Optional-All teams)	\$221