MHS Cheerleading Tryouts - Judging Rubric

Candidate #: _____ Judge Initials: _____

CATEGORY	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS EARNED
RUNNING TUMBLING (Up To)	**5**	_____
Round-off	1	
Round-off back handspring	2	
Round-off back tuck/Round-off back handspring back tuck	3	
Round-off back handspring layout	4	
Round-off back handspring full	5	
Precise execution, cleanliness, landing, crowd appeal	+1	
STANDING TUMBLING (Up To)	**5**	
Back handspring	1	
Back handspring series (2+)	2	
Back tuck	3	
Toe touch back tuck	4	
Back handspring/back tuck + twist	5	
Precise execution, cleanliness, landing, crowd appeal	+1	
JUMPS (Up To)	**10**	_____
Arm placement, form, height, flexibility, landing		
Toe touch + pike + hurdler of choice (3 total)		
CHEER (Up To)	**20**	_____
Voice, motions, sharpness, memory, crowd appeal		
DANCE (Up To)	**15**	_____
Memory, motions, sharpness, rhythm, performance		
OVERALL IMPRESSION (Up To)	**15**	_____
Spirit, crowd appeal, performance, attitude, game day		
JUDGE TOTAL	**70**	_____
COACHES EVALUATION TOTAL	**10**	_____
TEACHER REC (4) TOTAL	**20**	_____
COMBINED TOTAL	**100**	_____

Memorial High School Tryout Procedures

- Cheerleader tryouts will be held **Thursday March 7th, 2024.**
- All scores will be scored **up to** the maximum score.
- All required information must be submitted prior to the tryout. Teacher recommendations, proper paperwork completed and returned. No excuses.
- The contestants will be judged individually in all areas except the dance. The dance will be performed in groups of 4.
- Each contestant will be given 2-3 minutes of time to perform their skills in front of the judges.
- The tryout will consist of tumbling, jumps and a cheer. The dance will be performed in groups.
- Standing tumbling and running tumbling will be done in the same time slot.
- Contestant is limited to 1 retry during their tryout. They will not be allowed to return for their retry.
- All judging will be done with certified judges. There will be 2 judges evaluating tumbling and 3 will be evaluating the jumps, cheer and dance.
- The overall impression will be the average of all 5 judges.
- Tumbling will be the average of the two judges.

  I.e., Round off back handspring full could be scored at a 3.5 out of 5. Doing the skill does not automatically indicate the given points.

- The cheer, jumps, and dance will be the average of three judges.

- Teacher recommendations will be the average of four required recommendations.
- The coaches' evaluation will be the average of the three coaches' scores.
- The tryouts will be videoed for judges for review purposes only.
- Score sheets will be accessible for viewing only.
- Score numbers will be posted no later than 24 hours after the tryouts are completed barring no unforeseen circumstances.
- The Varsity team will be determined by the natural break and **freshman will not be eligible for Varsity**.

Example of tryout:

1. Contestant will enter the gym present their number and perform their standing tumbling and running tumbling in front of 2 judges.

Contestants are discouraged from performing skills that they are not competent in completing successfully. Skills performed with poor technique will be judged accordingly.

Ex.(because you can do a full does not indicate full credit will be given).

2. Contestants will then perform their jumps.

3. Contestants will then perform their cheers.

4. The contestant will then be dismissed from gym and wait to be called back for dance in a group of 4.

Scores will be computed and tabulated by an independent processor and will be announced via the web site on Friday by 4:00 pm before spring break.