
Clovis High School Pep and Cheer Tryout Information

MAKE NOTE: all dates are pending school closures.

Information will be updated as we receive it, and be sent to you via email

MANDATORY PARENT MEETING

Is postponed for the 2020-2021 school year. Information will be emailed to those who sign up.

DEADLINES

Friday APRIL 18th : APPLICATION IS DUE you may return it to Anne at **Clovis High** School (main office) or Clovis High – P.E. office, by 3:00 p.m. **There are NO exceptions to this deadline.**

TRYOUT INFORMATION

Date: Friday April 24, AND Saturday April 26

Time: Friday April 24: 4:00 pm –7:00 pm – ALL CANDIDATES

- all pep candidates: 4:00-8:00pm

Saturday April 28: 11:00 a.m. – 3:30 pm

Supersquad team members: report back at 4:00, done at 6:00. (If you are in the rodeo parade, please report immediately following your parade assignment **(do not miss the parade)**)

Location: Clovis High School, South Gym

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS (in brief)-please read handbook for further clarification

I **COMPETITION PEP & CHEER** – competition teams- letter after 1 year

* SUPERPEP (competition songleading / pom) or

* SUPERSQUAD (competition cheer team / show cheer)

- compete year-round
- perform year round
- cheer at all home varsity football games & CUSD football games and wrestling
- pep practice during 7th period fall semester / practice 3:00 – 4:30 spring semester
- please note that selection to a varsity competitive squad is based on talent/team needs, and coach's score; however, candidates must always maintain a 2.0 (or higher) GPA , WITHOUT EXCEPTION

II **SIDELINE PEP AND CHEER**– Varsity Squads letter after 2 years

Varsity Sideline Pep & Varsity Sideline Cheer

- Varsity football
- Varsity basketball (girls and boys)
- Community service
- CHS events (to include: Fusion, Back to School, Beyond High School, PLAYOFF GAMES, and much more.)

Junior Varsity Sideline Cheer:

- J.V. football
- J.V. basketball (girls)
- Water Polo
- Varsity Boys Volleyball (Thursday games)

Freshmen Sideline Cheer:

- Freshmen football
- J.V. basketball (boys)
- Varsity Girls Volleyball
- Varsity Boys Volleyball (Tuesday or Wednesday games)

TRYOUT PROCEDURES

Candidates are evaluated the entire time, in a “training camp” style; and will receive information throughout the day about team placement. Communication is done privately. Parents may be called.

1. Tryout Attire:

- Royal blue P.E. shorts and plain white tee shirt; socks and tennis shoes; hair should be pulled up neatly, out of the face. Pep candidates may wear jazz shoes. **Creativity is encouraged with socks & bows**

2. Tryout Agenda

- Candidates will perform a variety of routines and skills, as requested by the coaching staff. Material will be taught each day.
- Candidates are either “released”, placed on team, or elect not to continue based on evaluations – communication is done privately, and teams are not announced.

To Note:

- ALL UNIFORMS/EQUIPEMENT MUST BE TURNED IN PRIOR TO TRYOUT DATE.
- All CUSD & Clovis High obligations must be cleared prior to tryout date.
- All tryout participants must be in attendance the entire tryout time. Any exceptions due to conflicting school sports/activities must be worked out in advance with the Pep and Cheer Staff. (Special arrangements may be made to accommodate these students).
- Any student who fell below a 2.0 G.P.A. for the fall semester (2019-2020 school year), is ineligible to try-out.
- Any squad member who quit the team or was otherwise removed from the team for any reason other than GPA, is ineligible to tryout for any 2020-2021 Pep/Cheer Squad at Clovis High School.

CHS PEP & CHEER TRYOUT SCORING CRITERIA FOR COMPETITION SQUADS

Coaching evaluation, level of skill, team position, team needs, and more. Placement is done by coaching staff and/or choreographers as in any team sport tryout; and not necessarily based on total points.

CHS PEP & CHEER TRYOUT SCORING CRITERIA FOR SIDELINE

100 POINT SYSTEM:

Physical tryout:	60 points
Spirit/energy on tryout day:	10 points
Grade Point Average:	10 points
Coaching Evaluation:	10 points
P.E. Teacher Evaluation:	10 points (or 20 if no coaching evaluation)

Explanation of Criteria

Physical try-out: may include CHS coaching staff, some CHS sport coaches, and/or local professionals. Candidates will be evaluated on motion technique, precision/execution, rhythm/timing, jumps, voice projection, showmanship, coordination, confidence, and spirit/enthusiasm. Pep candidates will also be scored on turns, kicks, and leaps; cheer candidates may be scored on tumbling.

Spirit/energy: 1-10 points will be awarded on tryout day by the coaching staff or a community member, based on the amount of spirit/energy projected at the tryout.

G.P.A. The following scale will be used to award points (based on FALL SEMESTER grades).

4.0+	10 pts	3.2-3.3	6 pts	2.4-2.5	2 pts
3.8-3.9	9 pts	3.0-3.1	5 pts	2.2-2.3	1 pt
3.6-3.7	8 pts	2.8-2.9	4 pts	2.0-2.1	0 pts
3.4-3.5	7 pts	2.6-2.7	3 pts	Code hearing	-5 pts

Teacher Evaluations:

P.E. teachers will give scores based on grade, sportsmanship, and effort in P.E. class.

English and/or AB teachers will give scores based on grade, attitude, and effort.

Coaching Evaluation - Based on past years’ performance. For candidates who were not on a pep/cheer team (2019-2020 school year): P.E. teacher evaluations will be doubled. There is a 5 point deduction for every discipline “code board hearing”

PARENT MEETING

Following tryouts, all new squad members will receive a letter that will have the following information:

- date/time of our required parent meeting (we will cover expenses, our handbook, fundraisers)
- team they will be on
- sports they will be cheering for

CALL US ANYTIME! 327-1036 (cheer line)

CLOVIS HIGH SCHOOL PEP & CHEER

TRYOUT APPLICATION



Print candidates' name _____

TAPE photo Here

Counselor (or team office) _____ circle **current** grade 8 9 10 11

Home phone: _____ Parent cell phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Valid **parent** e-mail address (for communication): _____ @ _____

Please check the group you will be trying out for:

I _____ COMPETITION PEP & CHEER (grades 8, 9,10, 11)

Pep _____

Cheer _____

- Students who are not placed on a competition team may be placed on a non-competitive sideline squad

II _____ SIDELINE PEP & CHEER (grades 8, 9, 10, 11)

- Students who plan on doing a sport outside of cheer: please list the sports you are planning to do.

Fall: _____ Winter: _____ Spring: _____

P.E. Teacher: _____ P.E. Period: _____

AB or English Teacher: _____ English Period: _____

Verification of a 2.0 grade point average for the **FALL SEMESTER (Dec./Jan. 2020 report card):**

Student I.D

FALL GPA (Dec 2019/Jan 2020)

Counselor/Secretary Office or Registrar Signature

Parent Agreement Statement

_____ has my permission to try out for the pep and cheer program

Print Parent Name: _____ Parent Phone number: _____

I understand that my daughter/son's placement; and the total score of the tryout criteria, is final. I understand that my daughter/son is not guaranteed a position on any team, for any reason other than her/his final total score.

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

COMPETITIVE CHEER AS A CIF SPORT

I understand that cheerleading as a sport is in its fourth year: I acknowledge potential changes as the state "navigates" through our 2020-2021 season, and CHS strives to adhere to CIF rules.

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent & Student Acknowledgement of Understanding

COMPETITION TEAMS, 2020-2021

Team(s) may/may not be offered each year. Team members (9-12), will cheer at all home football games as well as all CUSD football games (home and away), as determined by the coaching staff. Competition will be the main focus of this team; and training year round is mandatory. Should we not field competitive team(s); our participants will complete their season on February 1st. Competition teams may not be available each year; and will be determined on a yearly basis. Team members will cheer at wrestling.

	Student Initial	Parent Initial	We understand that:
1			Competitive teams may not be announced until the end of the summer, pending candidate progress.
2			Placement on a competitive team is based on level of skill, including STRENGTH OF MOTION TECHNIQUE.
3			Placement on a competitive team is based on needs of specific positions available on that team.
4			Placement on a competitive team is based on SHOWMANSHIP, which will be scored by the student's current coach (if a student is not on a school cheer/pep squad, this will be scored at the tryout).
5			Because we are now a sport, we may have a "season of sport". All-star cheer does not typically work with our school programs. It is up to parents to ensure conflicts do not arise. CHS will not adjust practices, workouts, or competitions for any other programs, unless they are academically related to CHS. The four exceptions to this MAY be: CHS gymnastics team, CHS diving team, CHS swim team, CHS track. Team members will only be excused for CHS spring sports, if there is minimal interruption of our practice; and no interruption of our competitive schedule. This will be determined on a year to year/sport basis by the pep & cheer coaching staff.
6			There is a tremendous amount of fundraising that is necessary for all competitive members. Our expectations are that everyone contribute/work equally. Fundraising must be completed by December 11, 2020.
7			The coaching staff/advisors reserve the right to make personnel changes as needed (based on individual progress, work ethic & team needs). All squad members may not be competing members. The coaching staff/advisors/team choreographer will determine which squad members will be competing; this may change throughout the year. Team members may be added or removed pending team needs. Non-competing members may not travel to competitions, pending team needs.
8			Students not placed on a competitive team may be placed on a sideline team and have 1 week following our parent meeting to accept that position or excuse themselves from that position.
9			All other information concerning competitive teams will be discussed at our post-tryout parent meeting.
10			Team captains are selected solely by the pep & cheer coaching staff, as they work directly with one another. Years on any team and/or school age of team member may not be a factor in selection.
11			I understand that SUPERSQUAD is a CIF sport; Comp. Pep is an athletic activity that CHS treats as a sport when possible.
12			I understand that Competition teams have a zero-absence policy (with few exceptions, to be discussed at our post tryout meeting).

SIDELINE TEAM MEMBERS, 2020-2021:

Sideline pep and cheer squad members (all levels), will cheer at all football games (home and away); and may select 2 additional sports to cheer at, selection will be based on seniority, and as deemed necessary by the coaching staff. They may also stay together, determined year-to-year.

	Student Initial	Parent Initial	We understand that:
1			Placement; and the total score of the tryout criteria, is final. We understand there is no one guaranteed a position on any team, for any reason other than her/his final total score.
2			The coaching staff may adjust teams based on team number and tryout score. This may include moving team members up to a different team following tryouts.
3			Team captains are selected solely by the pep & cheer coaching staff, as they work directly with one another. Years on any team and/or school age of team member may not be a factor in selection.
4			There is a five (5) absence policy regardless of the circumstances. (with few exceptions, to be discussed at our post tryout meeting).

