

Liberty Middle School
All-Star Dance Team Tryout Packet 2023-2024

*******Important Dates*******

Tryout Clinic: 9/6/22-9/7/22 (4:30pm - 6:30pm) Mandatory
- ALL candidates MUST be present for ALL days.

The entire completed packet (including physical and concussion form) must accompany candidate to the 1st day of tryouts Tuesday, 9/6/22

Tryouts: September 8, 2022 4:30pm - until.....
(ALL candidates MUST ATTEND TRYOUTS)*** Results will be posted in the cafeteria, Friday after the tryouts have concluded. Tryout attire is black leggings and white shirt, no print or logos. Hair must be away from face.
(ONLY tryout numbers will be posted)

Mandatory Parent/Dancer Meeting: Saturday, September 17th, 2022 @ 12:00pm. (A parent or legal guardian MUST attend with the dancer. A deposit of \$200.00 is due at this meeting. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Dear Parents:

We are pleased that your child has an interest in trying out to be a dancer at Liberty Middle School. This letter will provide you and your child with important information and our expectations for being a Liberty Middle School All-Star Dance Team Member.

The purpose of a dancer is to promote interest and enthusiasm as well as to encourage school spirit and sportsmanship during games and other school related events. Academics are an important aspect, and each dancer is required to maintain a credible academic record. Each dancer should maintain an overall **C** average or better in all classes. There will be study hall before each practice during the regular season. It is **IMPORTANT** that the dancers know that they are to shine on the dance floor, on the sideline and in the classroom. Character and Integrity are vital to being a Liberty Dancing Knight!

Practice is a necessary part of being a productive dancer. Each dancer will be required to attend **ALL** practices unless the coach has been informed ahead of time. If a dancer misses 2 practices, they will not be permitted to dance with that piece.

There will potentially be opportunities to perform outside of school at away games, and community events.

We are poised to elevate the dance program to the next level. It will take a lot of time, dedication and HARD WORK. Please keep this in mind when contemplating trying out. We wish everyone the best of luck and look forward to an **AWESOME** 2022-2023 dance season.

Cheerfully Yours,

Liberty Coaching Staff

Financial Responsibility:

There is a financial responsibility involved with LMS dancing.

This year's fee is \$500.00

Please refer to the LMS Budget (below).

Athletic Fee: - Each player is required to pay a \$35.00 athletic fee to the school to cover banquet costs.
(This fee will be deducted from the **\$500.00**)

Payments are to be made in cash or money order ONLY. ABSOLUTELY NO PERSONAL CHECKS will be accepted. ALL payments are to be made to Coach Dee, Coach Jay, or Coach Sims.

PLEASE BE PREPARED TO MAKE FIRST PAYMENT OF

\$ 200.00 ON Saturday, September 17, 2022 AT THE PARENT MEETING @ 12:00pm.

We will order ALL items together and promptly to ensure all ordering is complete and all expected items have been delivered. Some items take longer to order as this is the busiest season for cheer uniforms.

The remaining payment of \$300.00 is due, November 12, 2022

ALL accounts MUST be paid in full NO LATER than , November 12, 2022

****PLEASE READ CAREFULLY****

I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WILL BE POSSIBLE EXTRA FINANCIAL SITUATIONS THAT COULD ARISE DURING THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR THAT I WILL ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE TO PAY.

By signing this form I am fully aware the all funds paid are non-refundable. In the event that my child is removed from the squad for academic or behavioral reasons I COMPLETELY understand that NO REFUNDS will be issued. No exceptions.

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Liberty Middle School -Parent/Guardian Permission Form

This form must be notarized, or it is not valid. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND IN PEN.

I give my permission for _____ to tryout and participate in the Liberty Middle School All-Star Dance Program and travel with the team and/or coach and/or other dance parent. I understand the cost involved for my child to participate and agree to support my child accordingly. ***I understand that failure to pay dues by the deadline may prevent my child's participation and could result in removal from the squad.***

The dancing area varies greatly from one location to another, outside or inside. Because of these conditions inherent to the sport, participating in dancing exposes an athlete to many risks of injury. Those injuries include, but are not limited to death, paralysis due to serious neck and back injuries, brain damage, damage to internal organs, serious injuries to the bones, ligaments, joints, and tendons, and general deterioration of health. Such injuries can result not only in temporary loss of function, but also in serious impairment of future physical, psychological, and social abilities, including the ability to earn a living.

I acknowledge that even with the best coaching, use of the most advanced practice equipment, and strict observance of rules, injuries are still a possibility. I acknowledge that it is vital that dancers follow the coach's skill instructions, training rules, and team policies to decrease the possibility of serious injury.

We have read the information above concerning the risks of dancing and travel. We understand and assume all risks associated with trying out, practicing, dancing at games/competitions, and traveling. In signing this form, we assume the inherent risks of dancing and travel and waive future legal action by our heirs, estate, executor, administrator, assignees, family members, and ourselves.

Signature _____ Today's Date _____
Parent/Guardian

Signature _____ Today's Date _____
Participant

Liberty Middle School -DANCING WARNING OF RISK

SERIOUS, CATASTROPHIC AND PERHAPS FATAL INJURY MAY RESULT FROM ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION. By its very nature, competitive athletics may put student athletes (dancers) in situations in which accidents may occur. Athletic competition can result in accidents, strenuous physical exertion, and numerous other exposures to risk injury.

Students and Parents must understand and assess the risks involved in such participation and make their choice to participate in spite of those risks. The obligation of parents and students in making this choice to participate cannot be overstated. There have been accidents resulting in death, paraplegia, quadriplegia and other serious permanent physical impairment as a result of athletic competition.

Liberty Middle School athletes will be instructed in proper techniques to be used in athletic competition and in the proper utilization of all equipment worn or used in practice and competition. Student/Athletes must adhere to that instruction and utilization and must refrain from improper uses and techniques. However, no amount of instruction, precaution, and supervision will totally eliminate all risk of serious, catastrophic, or even fatal injury. By granting permission for your Child/Athlete to participate in athletic competition, you, the parent or guardian, acknowledge such risk exists. By choosing to participate, you, the student/athlete, acknowledge that such risk exists.

If any of the foregoing is not completely understood, please contact the coaches or Athletic Department for further information.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

JUDGES AND FINAL SCORE AGREEMENT

I, _____, and my child _____, understand that he/she will be judged by a panel of qualified judges, and will be scored on the categories listed under the "Evaluation Procedure" headline. We understand at no time will my child's score nor any other dancer's score be discussed or provided to me as the parent, my child, or any other individual outside of school officials. We also understand that all decisions made by the judges are FINAL.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Liberty Middle School Dancing Tryout Checklist

Please be sure all of the following have been completed by the due date, **August 29, 2022**. It is suggested you make a copy of all forms for your records.

- o Copy of Current Physical (MUST be completed on the GHSA form provided in the packet.
- o Warning of Risk
- o Judges and Final Score Agreement
- o Permission Form (notarized)
- o Information Form/Medical Release/Emergency Contact Form
- o Athlete Contract

****Failure to complete any one of the above items by will result in the inability for the applicant to participate in clinics or tryouts. ****