



Cheerleading Manual

Philosophy

Wesleyan Christian School believes that participation in sport programs such as cheerleading gives students an opportunity to learn life concepts and put into practice Christian character training. It gives students the opportunity to develop and use the gifts God has given them, both physical and spiritual, and to use these gifts to glorify God.

“For physical training is of some value, but Godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.” I Timothy 4:8

Overview

The greatest victory that can be achieved is representing Jesus Christ in all we do. The Wesleyan Christian School cheerleading program seeks to represent WCS and Jesus Christ to the best of our ability for the glory of God. Therefore, cheerleading is not about building pyramids, but rather building character and the ability to boldly share our faith with those who do not yet have a personal relationship with Him.

The Wesleyan Christian School cheerleading program consists of two squads: Junior High (grades 6, 7, & 8) and High School (grades 9-12). It exists as one of the ministries of Wesleyan Christian School and abides by its mission and objectives.

Cheerleading Coach Responsibilities

The athletic department at Wesleyan Christian School desires to glorify God in all we do. Regardless of whether in the classroom or on the field, all abilities should be used for the Lord. Our coaches should always strive to give their best to represent WCS and Jesus Christ. This requires a commitment to excellence in all we do.

“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men.” Colossians 3:23

Cheerleading coaches are responsible for:

- Achieving and maintaining a personal relationship with Christ
- Understanding and abiding by the mission of Wesleyan Christian School
- Modeling a positive Christian lifestyle
- Building proper school spirit and sportsmanship
- Aid squad members in developing a productive work ethic that honors God
- Developing confidence among squad members
- Leading the squad in prayer and/or devotions prior to games and practices

- Arrange transportation to and from games
- Provide adequate communication regarding game/practice times
- Attending all games, practices, and related activities

Requirements for Cheerleading Squad Members:

Cheerleading provides an excellent opportunity for squad members to display a Christ-like attitude and share the love of God with others. Cheerleaders are at all times to follow four basic Biblical principles:

1. “Lift one another up” I Thess. 5:11
2. “Love one another” John 13:34,35
3. “Respect one another” Romans 12:19
4. “Pray for one another” II Corinthians 1:11

Cheerleaders are responsibilities for:

- Upholding a Christ-like attitude at all times
- Being in good academic standing according to WCS academic policies
- Abiding by game day dress code: Squad members should wear the uniform or warm up suit previously determined for each game
- Attending all practices and games unless given prior permission from the head coach
- Participating in all cheerleading related activities (fund raising, poster making/decorating, etc.)
- Purchasing the required uniforms and accessories and keeping them clean and presentable
- Making a commitment to an entire cheer season

Game Day requirements:

- Meet and greet visiting cheerleaders, make them feel welcome, and answer any questions they may have
- Provide assistance to any visiting spectator as they arrive
- Influence a positive atmosphere with the spectators