2024-25 TRYOUT INFORMATION

Thank you for your interest in our program! We are excited to build upon the success of the 2023-2024 season and have lots of plans. We are a competitive squad and there is a large amount of time devoted to preparing for competition in addition to cheering at games and supporting our schools programs.

TRYOUT DATES AND MANDATORY UNIFORM FITTING/PARENT MEETING

April 10th Clinic 5:30-7pm HS Aux Gym April 11th Open Gym (optional) after school until Gpm April 12th Tryouts 4-Gpm

- Mandatory 1-day Clinic followed by tryout. Athletes will leave once they have completed their tryout.
- You MUST sign up to try out. The link has been shared through social media/canvas/RSHS Cheer website. You must provide 3 teacher/coach recommendations.
- Athlete must be present all required days.
- Athlete will be evaluated on several pieces of material and be expected to learn outside of the clinic. The clinic will be used to refine and work through any material questions.
- Athlete will be required to showcase any jumps and will have the opportunity to showcase any tumbling skills during tryouts (tumbling will not be taught at tryouts nor is it a requirement for cheer.)
- A physical form MUST be on file through Final Forms prior to trying out (if you are a returning athlete, you are covered).
- Should you make the squad, there will be a Mandatory meeting on Monday April 15th at 5:30, with parent meeting immediately following (approx 6:00)

Physical - if you do not have a physical on file through final forms, you need to upload prior to tryouts. If you do not have a physical on file, you will not be eligible to participate. Coaches will use Final Forms to determine eligibility to participate, the earlier your forms are complete the better.

BRING WITH YOU

- Water bottle
- Proper Attire- see below for shirt colors, wear proper shorts and shoes, hair up
 - Clinic Day: Black
 - Tryout Day: Wear Red & White (no previous cheer gear)

FINANCIAL EXPECTATIONS

- RSHS Cheerleaders are expected to pay out of pocket for several costs totaling approx \$750. New squad members will also have an additional \$125 for a squad jacket (they keep). We have a few used jackets available first come at a discounted rate. Any individual wishing to be a part of competition will have an additional uniform expense through Rebel Athlietic.. Cheer is expensive, we will try to do fundraising and will apply those funds to the amounts owed for each athlete. We do not collect money "in full" ahead of time.
- Should the athlete make the squad, there is a \$300 non-refundable deposit that will be
 collected at our fitting date of April 15th. Subsequent dates for due payment will be
 shared during parent meeting. Payments need to be made on time unless alternate
 arrangements have been made with coaches. First payment after deposit will be due May
 15th
- When the athlete makes the squad we will have a more complete breakdown of costs to share.

OTHER EXPECTATIONS

- Athletes must be present at the uniform fitting if they make the squad. Parent/Guardian
 must be present at the parent meeting immediately following the fitting. Parents are
 welcome to attend the fitting.
- Athletes should expect to attend <u>ALL</u> the summer obligations. Dates are listed on the Summer Dates Link. RSHS Cheerleaders must maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher to be eligible for cheer.
- It is expected that the athlete will cheer for both football, girls and boys basketball. We will have a separate tryout for competition season. (It's a big commitment)
- Athletes must have a Band APP account. This is accessible on a smartphone or the athlete's laptop. This is the coaches main form of communication. There is a separate band for our parents which is where the main communication will go out during the season.

You must sign up for the Tryouts by going to the link Tryout Google Link

Or use the Cheer website to access the link. https://rshscheer.wixsite.com/my-site

Contact Coach Bekebrede with any questions. sbekebrede@wolves.k12.mo.us