# JMS Dance Team Tryouts

2018-2019

## **Tryout Information**

When: May 2<sup>nd</sup>-4th

Where: Jefferson Middle School

Clinic: Wednesday and Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 3:45-6:00 Tryouts May 4<sup>th</sup> 4-?

Dancers must stay until they are dismissed, once everyone has tried out. Dancers will be judged on dance skills, routine, teacher evaluations, grades, and overall attitude while at clinic.

We encourage all candidates to work on skills prior to clinic. Because it's a two-day tryout, we will not have time to teach skills. We will have help to perfect them, but you need to be working on them at home.

Skills:

The following skills will be incorporated into the audition dance, individually judged, or chosen as your bonus skill:

TURNS- Pirouettes-double, triple, or quad (left and right); Fouettes

LEAPS- Grand Jete (leap), Calypso, Leap to Second, Switch Leaps

FLEXIBILITY- Leg Extensions (front and side) with and/or without hold, **splits** (**left and right**)

JUMPS: Toe Touch, Hurdler, Pike, Firebird

Special Notice will be given to those executing advanced skills including aerials, handsprings, walkover, and tucks.

Skills in **BOLD** are required and will be judged individually. In addition to required skills, all dancers must choose one bonus skill.

### Check list:

#### Due by April 16<sup>th</sup>

Application
Grade Card
Copy of Insurance
(4) teacher/Coach
evaluations

#### **COMMITMENT:**

- All practices, Games, camp, and competitions are mandatory.
- Must attend Camp July 10-13th
- Season runs May 2018-April 2019
- Practice 2-3 per week
- Maintain at least a C or higher in all classes.

#### FINANCIAL OBLIGAATION:

Uniforms, Shoes, tights
accessories, competitions, etc.
Approx \$550 depending on items
your dancer already has. Some
used uniforms may be available to
purchase at a discounted price.
Competition fees vary depending
on how many we do and where
they are located. All competitions
will be voted on by the parents
and dancers

This is not all due at one time. We will divide into monthly payments. Several fundraising opportunities will be presented throughout the year.

#### WHAT SHOULD I WEAR AND WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

You can wear anything comfortable to clinic. Dance shoes or tennis shoes are required.

You must wear ALL BLACK dance attire for tryouts. This can be soffee shorts, dance shorts, leggings, tank, dance top, or fitted T-shirt. No lose clothing, pants, or midriffs. Skin colored tights are optional. Dance shoes or tennis shoes are mandatory. You may wear small earrings but NO RINGS OR NECKLACES.

# HOW SHOULD I WEAR MY HAIR AND MAKEUP?

Wear proper make-up. Hair should be worn in a ponytail or bun. Please make sure hair does not hide your face.

### WHEN IS PAPERWORK DUE?

All paper work is due By April 16<sup>th</sup>. Those who fail to turn in required forms will not be allowed to tryout. NO EXCEPTIONS.

HOW MANY DANCERS WILL MAKE THE TEAM?

We will have 14-16 members.

CAN MY FRIENDS AND FAMILY WATCH ME TRYOUT?

No, tryouts and clinic are closed. No one is permitted to enter the gym during tryouts.

HOW WILL I KNOW IF I MADE THE TEAM?

The team will be posted on the door of the school approx 1 hour after tryouts. We will not post if everyone is hanging out by the door.