

2017 - 2018 TMS Cheerleading
Tryout Information

Coaches

Cassie Screws – Head Coach – cassie.screws@alabastercityschools.org
Suzanne Lee – Assistant Coach – Suzanne.lee@alabastercityschools.org

Tryout Meeting – February 16 at 6:00 pm in TMS Cafeteria

- Attendance is mandatory for parent and student. No tryout packets will be handed out at school. Packets will be distributed ONLY at the meeting.
- More specific details and information will be handed out

Tryout Clinic

Monday, March 20 – Thursday March 23

- TMS gym and cafeteria
- 3:15 to 5:00 pm – Students should be picked up promptly at 5:00. Late pickups are not acceptable.
- TSGC students will ride a bus to TMS
- Clinic Attire
 - Comfortable clothing (t-shirts, shorts, tennis shoes)
 - Hair must be pulled back at all times
 - No jewelry

Tryouts

Friday, March 24 at THS Auxiliary Gym

Students will be given a time to report to THS during clinic week. They will take their normal mode of transportation home from school on this day.

8th grade tryouts begin as soon as all high school tryouts have concluded

7th grade will tryout last

Approximate start and pickup times will be announced at clinic

Students are expected to attend school all day on tryout day. Check outs will not be excused. Please reference the Alabaster City Schools code of conduct in regards to absences.

Tryout Attire

- Black shorts – No booty shorts, spandex, or short shorts. Shorts may have solid color trim but should not include writing
- Solid White T-Shirt – No tank tops (simple athletic logos in the pocket area are permitted as long as they are smaller than 2 inches or so)
- Tennis shoes
- Hair must be in a neat pony tail. Hair bows are permitted as long as they do not reflect cheer or Thompson.
- No jewelry is permitted
- No clothing item or accessory may indicate cheer or Thompson in any way. For example, a hair bow may not have megaphones on it.

Tryout Forms and Fee

All forms and fees are due by **3:15 pm on Wednesday, March 8**. Forms must be turned in to Mrs. Screws or Mrs. Lee, the TMS office, or the TSGC office. Staffers will not accept any paperwork unless it is in the sealed, manila envelope.

Paperwork will not be accepted after 3:15 pm on Wednesday, March 8.

Paperwork Included:

- TMS Cheer Information Form
- ACS Cheerleading Contract, Behavior Agreement, and Constitution Acknowledgment Form
- TMS Cheerleading Discipline Guidelines
- Emergency Information and Consent for Student Athletes
- AHSAA Participant Agreement, Consent, and Release Form
- Concussion Form
- AHSAA Physical Evaluation - Must be signed by an MD or DO. Nurse Practitioner Signatures are not accepted
- Insurance Form - Front and Back of the insurance card must be attached in the appropriate boxes
- Copy of Birth Certificate
- Clinic Fee - \$40
The clinic fee covers costs included in judging, liability coverage, instruction, and materials.
 - Checks made payable to TMS
 - 2 Phone numbers must be on check and student name in the "for" line
 - Cash is accepted but must be exact change.

Place all items in the provided envelope and clearly print the requested information on the label before sealing the envelope.

TSGC Students will have an additional transportation form. This form should NOT be placed in the sealed envelope and must be turned in to the TSGC office by 3:15 pm on March 8.

Announcements of Teams

Team placements will be posted on the TMS Cheerleading Website upon conclusion of 7th grade tryouts and after all scores have been tabulated.

Teams will be posted by numbers. The numbers of those who made the teams will be listed.

Scores for those not selected will be available for review at the ACS Central Office on Thursday, April 6 from 2:30 – 4:00 pm.

Important Information for those selected 2017 – 2018 team members

Uniform Sizing

Thursday, April 6

3:00 to 6:00

Parents are not present at sizing

We will use this time to complete the Star Sportsmanship requirement for participation in athletic programs.

Students should bring practice attire to change into (shorts, t-shirt, tennis shoes)

Attendance is mandatory

Uniforms

Students will receive at least 2 uniforms.

These Uniforms are property of TMS and are provided to students through the uniform rental fee

If a uniform is lost or damaged, parents will be responsible for the full replacement cost of the uniform.

Parent Meeting

Thursday, April 6 at 6:00 in the TMS Cafeteria

Payment #1 is due on this day

Practices

A calendar with practice dates and attire will be provided after tryouts. Please post the calendar in your house. Let us know if you need additional copies for other family members.

Already Scheduled Practice Dates:

Monday, April 3

Monday, April 10

Monday, April 17

Monday, April 24

Monday, May 1

Monday, May 8

Monday, May 15

Practices will end at 5:00 unless otherwise noted. TSGC Students will ride the bus over.

Calendars will be provided for summer and monthly as they are set.

UCA Basic Skills Camp

May 20 – 21 at TMS

8:00 am until 5:00 pm on Saturday

12:00 pm until 7:00 pm on Sunday

Students should pack PLENTY of waters, snacks, and a sack lunch or dinner each day.

The ENTIRE camp is mandatory. Please take time now to reschedule any appointments, vacations, or plans. Students must attend the entire camp to be eligible to cheer at TMS.

Spirit Pack Costs

Out of pocket cheer expenses will be paid directly to TMS through Spirit Pack payments. Below is a breakdown of spirit pack costs and due dates.

Category	Cost
Uniform Rental	\$250
Spirit Pack Items / Camp Clothing / Shoes / Game Day Attire *Some items are used for both middle school years.	\$450
Camps	\$350
Misc. Costs (Supplies, Special Events, Parties, Awards, etc)	\$50
Insurance Costs	\$25
Competition Choreography	\$125
Competition Clothing (Jacket / Pants)	\$120
Travel Expenses Deposit	\$150
Registration Fees	\$130
Out of Pocket Costs	\$1650

Choreography Camp

July 17 – 19 at TMS

8:45 until 4:00 Monday through Wednesday

Students should pack PLENTY of waters, snacks, and a sack lunch each day. (Snacks and water only on Thursday)

Instruction provided by Pride Cheer Camps

The ENTIRE camp is mandatory. Please take time now to reschedule any appointments, vacations, or plans. Students must attend the entire camp to be eligible to cheer at TMS.

Competitive Team Choreography Camp

July 20 – 21 at TMS

8:45 to 4:00 Thursday and Friday

Students should pack PLENTY of waters, snacks, and a sack lunch each day. (Snacks and water only on Thursday)

Instruction provided by Pride Cheer Camps

The ENTIRE camp is mandatory. Please take time now to reschedule any appointments, vacations, or plans. Students must attend the entire camp to be eligible to compete for TMS.

***Attendance of all camps in their entirety is mandatory for all team members.**

Spirit Pack Payment Dates

Below is a listing of due dates for spirit pack payments. You may choose to pay your fees earlier than scheduled if you wish.

Due Date	Payment Amount
April 6	\$400
May 8	\$200
June 12	\$150
July 17	\$275
August 14	\$175
September 11	\$150
October 9	\$150
November 6	\$150
Total Payments	\$1650

