

Shawnee Mission Northwest Cougars KCFC Cheerleading Information 2024-2025

Registration is open from January 1st- June 1st and our area closes registration. Please ensure you are registered and pay prior to the cut off date to ensure your spot on a squad.

Cheerleading is a huge commitment to both the leader and parents.

Practice-

Practice fees are due no later than August 1st of each year and range from \$30-\$50 depending upon the size of the squad\area.

Practices are typically Tuesday and Thursday- times will be determined once squads are confirmed.

We will practice at a local park or indoor at a local school. Some squads will select to use a private facility during competition practice, if it does not fit within the districts practice times\locations.

All Practice before July 31 are optional. Mandatory practices begin 8/1 and continue through the annual Cheer & Dance Showcase\Competition.

Camps/Clinics & Competitions: Camps are put on by KCFC or NCA or SMNW High School- More information will be announced closer to the dates. Please make sure you check the KCFC website for more information regarding Camps\Clinics

- **KCFC Cheer and Dance Competition/Showcase Date and Times TBD**

Showcase K-1st grade (2nd & 3rd grade optional)

Competition- 2nd-8th grade.

Information: Your cheerleader will report up to 1 hour before their competition time (or a different time designated by their coach) They will report to the holding room. Parents will leave their child with the coach. After the performance, your cheerleader will remain with the coach and then we will do awards. After awards, parents will pick up their child in the holding room. We will take pictures and bask in the glory of what we accomplished! Each squad will compete at the grade level that makes up the majority of the squad.

PARADES:

Each year we participate in the following Shawnee Parades:

Shawnee Saint Patrick's Day Parade & Old Shawnee Days Parade.

Fundraising:

- **We will hold different fundraisers to help reduce the costs of items. Which can include sales and sacking for tips, or collection of items.**

Squads:

Area Directors, Coaches and Squad assistance are all unpaid volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out an application during registration. We are currently looking for:

Head Coach, Assistant Coach & Assistant Area Director

Tentative Head and Assistant Coaches are selected during the week of May 15th.

Squads will be formed after registration closes on June 1st. We typically break squads up from K-2nd (Littles), 3rd-5th (Middles) and 6th -8th (Bigs), due to enrollment.. If you are interested in coaching, please fill out a volunteer form during registration for your child.

Area Director- Rachinda Caraway 913-909-5486

Assistant Area Director- Carrie Anderson 816-315-8991

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Scholarships:

KCFC Exec Board of Directors is open until June 15th, which should cover 50% of the registration fee.

DeFranco Scholarship Applications:

\$300.00 Information available on the KCFC Website

(Video submission for k-3rd and written 4th-6th)

Uniform Fitting/Sale: ONE DAY ONLY!

This is a one day sale, so be sure that you and your child can attend. Cheerleaders must wear either a swimsuit or leotard to try on shells and skirts as there are no dressing rooms. **Uniforms must be ordered and paid for at the time of the fitting.** If you cannot pay for the full uniform, you can order through Varsity Wishlist, but please know that if the uniform is not ordered and paid for no later than the cut off day, this may prevent your child from participating in many of our events.

Returning Cheerleaders: need to look over their uniform pieces before the fitting for fit, cleanliness, missing items etc to ensure pieces are within standard. If you are not sure, please bring items for coaches\area directors to look at. **New shoes must be ordered each year.**

Used Uniforms: You may purchase a used uniform from another cheerleader, but all transactions for used uniforms are between parents, not the area. Any used uniforms must be approved by the Area Director.

Late orders can not be accepted!

COST:

- Registration
- Game Day Uniform
- Practice Fee
- Camps\Clinics
- Area Fee