

Dear Prospective ETSU Cheerleader,

Thanks for your interest in the ETSU Cheer Team!

The ETSU cheer team performs sidelines at all home football games as well as sidelines and timeouts at the ETSU Men and Women's basketball games. The team is active on campus and make numerous appearances on campus as well as in the community.

At this time, the only scholarships available are for incoming students (freshmen and transfer students) that qualify as out of state students. The Creative Arts Scholarship can be awarded, if you make the team and are a qualified out-of-state student. This scholarship waives your out-of-state tuition. Details will be given to those that make the team and qualify! If you are an in-state student, there is no scholarship available at this time. However, the athletic department provides everything you will need to be a member of the team ie. Camp cost, Uniforms, warm-ups, shoes, etc. The cheer team competes at UCA Nationals in Orlando, Florida in January. The team fundraises for this event throughout the fall semester.

As far as requirements, you must be accepted to East Tennessee State University prior to tryouts. NO EXCEPTIONS! You will have to present your acceptance letter prior to or on the day of tryouts. If you are transferring from another institution, then you must also present your acceptance letter prior to or on the day of tryouts. Tryouts will be held in Brooks Gym on May 4th and 5th. Registration begins at 5:30 pm on the 4th with tryouts from 6 pm - 9 pm. There will be a cut after tryouts on the 4th. On May 5th, tryouts will resume at 4 pm and last until the squad is selected. The 2018-2019 team will be posted that evening. If you are selected for the team, there will be a mandatory meeting on Sunday, May 6th. The time will be announced at tryouts. Tryouts are closed to the public. Myself and several highly trained evaluators will determine the team, and all decisions are final.

As far as skills needed, ETSU cheer team is working hard to become a nationally known and respected Division 1 cheer team. Cheerleaders must possess advanced skills and be able to learn quickly. A standing back handspring is required, but a standing back tuck is preferred. A cheerleader must possess advanced stunting skills in order to compete on the collegiate level. If you have any specific questions about skills, please feel free to reach out to me and ask.

Special Note: If you make the team and are an incoming Freshman or transfer student, the NCAA requires that you have a Sickle Cell Anemia test done. You must turn in your test results to me PRIOR to any participation as a member of the ETSU Cheer team. There are no exceptions. If you have any trouble getting the test done, you may contact me, and our in house facility, BUCSPORTS, will get you an appointment to have it done locally.

Thanks again for your interest in the ETSU Cheer Team. We hope to see you at a clinic and/or tryouts!

Regards,

Van VanEaton
ETSU Spirit Coordinator
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ETSU CHEERLEADING Tryout Application

Name: _____ Cell Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

ETSU Email: _____

Sex: M or F Birth Date: _____

High School: _____

All-Star Gym: _____ Level: _____

Are you an incoming Freshmen? Y or N

Are you enrolled at ETSU? Y or N If yes, Classification? _____

Are you currently enrolled at a different university? Y or N

If yes, then what university? _____

What is your overall GPA? _____

List any cheer experience: _____

List skills (stunting, tumbling, dancing) _____

Check all that apply:

I have experience being an all-girl / co-ed flyer (circle one or both)

I am a side base I am a main base I am a backspot

Emergency Contact:

Name _____ Cell _____

T-shirt size _____ Shorts size _____ Cheer shoe size _____

ETSU CHEER TRYOUTS
MAY 4th & 5th, 2018
INFORMATION

- ◆ Please try and email a copy of your application to the email below to confirm that you will be attending tryouts.
 - vaneatonv@etsu.edu
- ◆ Tryout fee is \$40. You must pay with cash (due to returned checks in the past).
- ◆ You must bring ***ALL*** completed forms listed below and cash payment to registration.
- ◆ If we do not receive all the information needed, you will be ***unable*** to tryout.
- ◆ Registration will be Friday, May 4th from 5:30-6 pm on campus in ***Brooks Gym***. Day 1 tryouts will be from 6-9 pm
- ◆ Day 2 (May 5th) Tryouts will begin at 4:00pm and last until the squad is selected.
- ◆ Tryouts are CLOSED to everyone except participants!
- ◆ Tryout attire:
 - Dark Shorts, white shirt (Can have ETSU), and cheer shoes
 - Hair half up with a white bow
 - NO JEWELRY!!!

ETSU CHEER TRYOUT CHECKLIST

- Tryout Application
- Liability Waiver
- Tryout Fee \$40
- Most recent Physical
- Copy of Insurance Card
- Copy of ETSU acceptance letter (if incoming Freshman or Transfer student)
- Proof of 2.0 GPA or higher (if current ETSU Student)
- Recommendation letter from current cheer coach (incoming Freshmen Only)

Medical Information and Authorization

Waiver 1

If any emergency occurs, I authorize staff members to take all proper action and use the emergency service available at the nearest hospital, if necessary. In the case of extreme emergency, I authorize emergency personnel to take proper action. I understand my personal insurance will be used in this case.

I agree as shown by my signature below:

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Participant if over 18: _____ Date: _____

Waiver 2

In and for consideration of my participation in _____, I hereby release and hold harmless East Tennessee State University, its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors, officers, employees and agents from any and all liability arising out of my participation in **ETSU Spirit CLINIC / TRYOUTS** (Circle one) on _____, except for liability for personal injury or illness caused solely by the proven gross negligence or willful misconduct of East Tennessee State University, its employees or agents. This waiver of liability expressly includes transportation to and from, or in connection with, said event.

I agree as shown by my signature below:

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Participant over 18: _____ Date: _____

In case of emergency, notify...

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Work #: _____ Home #: _____

Cell #: _____ Other #: _____

Physician or Clinic you usually consult for medical care and phone numbers:
