

Hi, Arcadia Cheer Family! My name is MaKayla Wheeler. I am an AFBCS Graduate - Class of 2019 and a former Arcadia cheerleader. I am super excited to introduce myself as the cheer coach for the 2022-2023 school year!

A little bit about me: I went to Arcadia from 7th - 12th grades. During that time I was on the cheer team for 4 years. While on the cheer team I became the spiritual leader, co-captain and captain. On the cheer team I enjoyed being a backspot, base, and a flyer for many stunts. During my time in cheer we learned to not only stretch properly but incorporated tumbling and conditioning to stay in shape throughout the cheer season.

My goal is to challenge the girls in more than one way: mentally, physically and most importantly spiritually, and encouraging growth and excitement as a team with each step of their walk with Christ. With this mindset, Christ-likeness and leadership, they will be able to get through anything and everything they put their minds to. I want each member of the Arcadia Cheer & Pom Squad to understand that they do not need to worry in life, but rather trust in the Lord and He will provide.

*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:13*

I look forward to building and growing the cheer program at AFBCS. We will start with the basics and work our way up from there. I cannot wait to teach them the Arcadia cheers and chants, as well as new sideline chants for games, and cheer dances for pep rallies and halftimes. Each summer our cheer program attends a camp or we have a camp in our gym. My most fond memories of being an Arcadia cheerleader was the time spent at the FCC camps at Houston Baptist University. We learned so much and built bonds with our team, as well as the leaders and other cheer teams. It is a blast and so worth it. You learn how to work as a team under pressure and get to perform in front of people you have never met. You get to worship together with your new friends from other schools and hear from different coaches and speakers.

Please feel free to reach out to me at any time. I am praying for a very rewarding and successful cheer season.

In His Name,

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Arcadia First Baptist Christian School Cheerleading Application

This application must be filled out in its entirety.

Name _____ Birthday _____

Parent(s) name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone (parent name and cell) _____

Phone (parent name and cell) _____

Phone(Cheerleader cell) _____

Email(parent email) _____

Cheerleader email _____

(The following questions are for uniform purposes only. This information will not be shared with anyone.)

Height _____ Weight _____

Measure- Bust _____ Waist _____ Hips _____

Shoe size _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Why do you want to be a cheerleader?

Please tell us a little bit about yourself.

Do you have any training or related experience to cheerleading (Tumbling, stunting, jumping, dance)?

Will you be participating in any other school sports? If so list all of them below.

What commitments outside of school do you have? _____

Name your 4 strongest character traits and why they would be beneficial to the cheerleading team. _____

What character trait would you like to improve on in cheerleading?

What do you hope to gain from this next cheer season?

Cheer Fundraising Contract

We will have several fundraisers to help out with costs of uniforms, bows, equipment and cheer camp. All fundraisers will be announced and information sent home with each cheerleader at that time.

Cheerleaders are not required to participate in any fundraisers. Our goal is to give each cheerleader as many opportunities as possible to help with the cost. We are looking forward to: hosting the Annual Kiddie Camp, a Movie Night, and Tamales to name a few. Each cheerleader that participates will receive funds directly to their balance. If a cheerleader does not decide to participate in any fundraisers, she will not receive any funds gained.

I, _____ (*cheerleader name*) understand the above information regarding fundraising. I understand that being a cheerleader is not only a big commitment, but also a big financial responsibility. I agree to help my parents by lessening the financial load, by participating in any of the fundraiser activities throughout the cheer season.

Cheerleader's Printed Name

Date

Cheerleader's Signature

I, _____ (*parent name*) understand the above information regarding fundraising. I understand that my child being a cheerleader is a big financial responsibility. I understand that there will be numerous fundraising opportunities throughout the cheer season for my child to participate in to help with the cost.

Parent Printed Name

Date

Parent Signature

Parent Consent Form

My child _____ has my permission to be a Cheerleader at AFBCS, if selected to be on the team. I understand that she must abide by the rules and regulations set by the coach and administration of the school. I understand that my child has made a commitment to the team and is to attend all scheduled practices, games, competitions and other related events.

I have read the cheerleading contract, rules and regulations, understanding that violation of any of these rules will lead to consequences and may lead to temporary or permanent suspension from the squad.

I understand and give permission for my child to ride with the coach or other AFBCS representative to activities, games, and/or events.

I understand that all forms attached must be completed and turned in by **MARCH 1ST, 2022**, or my child will not be allowed to participate in the tryout process.

I understand that my child must attend all tryout clinic days or my child will not be considered for the cheer team. I understand the coach will evaluate my child, and we agree to abide by the decision of the coach.

I understand all costs involved, as stated, are the responsibility of the Cheerleader and parents. We will do several fundraisers to help out with the cost of uniforms and camp.

I understand the very nature of cheerleading can carry a risk of physical injury, no matter how careful the participants and coaches are. We will do our absolute best to keep everyone on the cheer team safe at all times.

Parent/Guardian

Date

CHEERLEADER PLEDGE

Individual and team success in sports results from commitment. The extent to which you are able to make such commitments reflect your maturity as well as your dedication to family, friends, school and team. Please read the following pledge:

To be a representative of my teammates and coaches, abiding by school and community expectations, reflecting my team's values of commitment and hard work.

To maintain my health and fitness levels by following the training rules of the program.

To reflect the knowledge that a commitment to victory is nothing without the commitment to hard work in practice.

To attend every practice unless excused by my coach.

To accept the responsibilities of my team memberships: cooperation, support of my teammates, shared responsibilities, positive interaction, and mutual respect.

To follow and respect all school rules and regulations during school time and practice time.

To always remember that, *"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."*
~Philippians 4:13~

I have read the above statements and promise to live up to them to the best of my ability.

Cheerleader's Printed Name

Date

Cheerleader's Signature

PARENT PLEDGE

Cooperation among coaches, athletes, parents and school personnel is essential if students are to realize the values of athletic participation. Like coaches and athletes, parents must make commitments to the athletic program to assure such cooperation. We ask that you read and agree to the following PLEDGE and, as needed, discuss your questions or concerns with your child's coach.

To accompany my child to any parent meetings that are requested by the cheerleading coach.

To work closely with all school personnel to assure an appropriate academic as well as athletic experience for my child while she is in school.

To assure that my child will attend all scheduled practices and performances.

To require my child to abide by all cheerleading rules.

To acknowledge the ultimate authority of the coach to determine strategy and cheerleaders positioning.

To promote mature behavior from cheerleaders and parents during practices and any performances.

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it.”

~Proverbs 22:6~

I have read the above statements and promise to live up to them to the best of my ability.

Parent Printed Name

Date

Parent Signature

AFBC SCHOOL CHEERLEADING CONTRACT

Cheerleader Agreement:

As a member of the Arcadia cheerleading team, I have fully read the cheer contract and understand what is expected of me to remain a member in good standing. I will keep myself knowledgeable and informed of all rules and realize the consequences of poor behavior and inappropriate actions. I will do all I can do to uphold the honor and tradition of the cheerleading team, and respect my teammates, my school and all persons associated with school spirit at all times to the best of my ability.

Cheerleader's Printed Name

Date

Cheerleader's Signature

CHEERLEADING FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

Each cheerleader and parent will be responsible for all costs associated with being a member of the cheer team, including camps, uniforms, bows, and anything extra the cheerleader might need.

- We will be conducting fundraising events to help offset the costs, but ultimately each member will be held responsible for all costs.
- It is your responsibility to make sure all fees are paid for by the due date.
- Fees will be due according to a set schedule based on dates items are ordered, dates of camp.
- Once paid, all fees are non-refundable.

I have read and understand the AFBCS Cheerleading Financial Agreement. I agree to make the necessary payments on or before the dates they are due.

I also understand that all costs associated with cheerleading are non-refundable.

I also understand that I am solely responsible for the cost of my cheerleader throughout the entire cheer season.

Parent Printed Name

Date

Parent Signature

Cheerleading Tryouts Checklist

**PLEASE READ ALL OF THE INFORMATION
PROVIDED IN THIS PACKET CAREFULLY!**

Enclosed in the packet are all the
materials needed to try out for cheerleading.

All information is DUE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2022.

Cheer Tryout Clinic: _____

Cheer Tryouts: _____

*Please remember that participation in all days
are required to be offered a position on the cheer squad.*

You MUST turn in the following by the due date in order to try out:

- _____ Application
- _____ Signed Parent Permission to Participate
- _____ Signed Cheerleading Contract.
- _____ Signed Financial Agreement.
- _____ Signed Fundraising Contract.

Week of Tryouts Checklist:

- _____ T-Shirt and solid colored shorts must be worn each day of tryouts.
- _____ Cheer shoes preferred. If you do not own any, wear athletic shoes.
- _____ Hair completely tied up, off shoulders, and out of face.
- _____ No jewelry of any kind.
- _____ No gum.
- _____ Water Bottle

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