

Murfreesboro Mustang Competition Agreement

Our competition will be Saturday, October 23. We may also elect to compete or showcase in various competitions during the season. Cheerleaders will spend 2 ½ months learning a routine to perform and it is absolutely mandatory that ALL girls attend ALL practices. If a girl misses a practice, the coach will have to take time out of the next practice to teach parts of the routine that have already been learned by the rest of the squad. This is unfair to other cheerleaders, other parents, and to the coach. Please understand that competition is A LOT OF FUN, but it is also a big commitment for cheerleaders and parents. The Murfreesboro Mustangs strongly encourage sportsmanship and dedication as part of being a team player. Attending all practices and showing up on time, ready to work hard is a part of our creed.

- ___ I understand that Competition practice will be from 6:00-7:45pm Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday until late October. During October practices may extend to 8:00pm for older girls and Wednesdays and/or Fridays may be added if necessary.
- ___ I understand that Competition practice will be moved to a nearby indoor location. I need to make accommodations to be ON TIME.
- ___ I understand that if I have scheduled vacation (i.e. Labor Day Weekend or during Fall Break), I will let a Cheer Board member and the Competition Coaches know no later than August 4th. I am aware that I must submit my vacation plans **in writing** to be placed in my child's file. With this information in writing, the Mustangs may be able to make accommodations for my child to still participate in competition, granted that my child will be able to learn the routine.
- ___ I understand that Competition practice **WILL BE CLOSED** to parents, friends, and community. (I understand that I may be at the practice location, but I MAY NOT be inside the gym during practice.) We will have a few practices to showcase what the girls are learning, but otherwise I must bring my cheerleader to the gym and return to the gym to pick her up. Girls will not be dismissed without a parent.
- ___ I understand that excused absences include, but are not limited to, family illness, family emergencies, parent/teacher conferences, open house, and doctor's appointments.
- ___ I understand that unexcused absences are not permitted for competition practice. The Cheer Director or Head Coach **MUST** be notified **PRIOR TO PRACTICE** via email or phone if a cheerleader is planning to miss. With no notification, the absence is considered unexcused – **NO EXCEPTIONS**.
- ___ If a cheerleader does have an illness, I understand that I must provide a doctor's note or other written documentation to excuse the absence.
- ___ **I understand that if my child has 3 or more unexcused absences, she will NOT be permitted to participate in Competition.**

Cheerleader Name

Parent Signature

Board Member Signature