

Cypress Woods High School Drill Team Addendum

Cy Woods Addendum is an addition to the CFISD Handbook and are subject to modification at any time at the discretion of the director and administrative committee.

Dress Code

1. Uniforms

- a. Uniforms/Cadette attire should be worn on designated school days and events.
- b. Cadettes are not permitted to appear in public wearing their uniform before or after a performance
- c. Uniforms and uniform parts should always be kept clean
- d. Members are responsible for basic upkeep and repair of uniforms and costumes. Any damage due to poor care or loss of the uniform/costume will result in the member replacing the lost or damaged parts.
- e. Cadettes are never allowed in incomplete uniform.
- f. Cadettes will be instructed on what to wear and when. All Cadettes will be dressed in uniformity always. This includes make up, jewelry, etc.

Expenses

1. Cadettes must be prepared to meet the cost of Cadettes. All financial obligations must be met.
2. All fees and expenses are non-refundable. If a member is dismissed or quits the team he/she is responsible for all uniform and practice wear expenses and fees. If there are unpaid fees the Cadette will be placed on the fees and fines list.
3. Expenses include: practice wear, camp fees, costume fees, jacket, bag, hat, boots, and additional items as determined by the director. For a complete list see supply order form given to those who make the team. An approximate cost will be communicated before tryouts. Trip fees will vary year to year depending on the trip. All payments will be announced far in advance by the director.
4. Full Balance must be paid in order to receive uniforms and equipment.

Dismissal from Program

1. Remove from Cadette Class and placed into a P.E. class
2. Forfeit letter jacket eligibility
3. Held responsible for any remaining fees

Demerit System

1. Demerits begin and are cumulative from the day she is selected through the tryout process.
2. Fifteen (15) demerits will result in permanent dismissal from the team.
3. A parent will be notified when a Cadette reaches 10 demerits. At 10 demerits a member will be suspended for a three week period and will not be able to perform. At the end of the three week period she will return with a positive change in behavior, attitude, etc. She will be added back into routines if there is ample time for the team to adjust. The decision to add or when to add the member back into routines is at the directors' discretion. The member must still participate in practice while on suspension.

4. The director may exclude any member from a performance (or bench) for disciplinary reason.
5. Any member that does not contribute to the drill team with a continuing positive TEAM attitude may be asked to resign by the director.
6. Cadettes must sign the demerit sheet upon receipt.
7. A member with more than 7 demerits may not tryout for an officer position
8. See demerit chart on next page

Merit System

1. Members are encouraged to earn merits. The director will have the final say. Examples of merits will be determined and announced by the director. 5 merits will cancel one demerit. Merits must be earned before the demerit. Disciplinary/Behavior demerits are permanent and may not be removed by merits.

Uniform		Insubordination		Activities		Citizenship & Misc.	
Changing any part of uniform at event/game (leave on/take off/alterations)	5	Showing disrespect, Inappropriate conduct/behavior	10	Unexcused absence from event (Without Notification)*	7	DMC	7
Failure to be in "performance mode" while in uniform	5	Poor attitude, failure to cooperate with team/director	10	Unexcused absence from event. (With 24 hr Notification)	5	Sat D-Hall	5
Losing a piece of performance attire on performance floor (may also result in performance probation)	3	Obscene language, Improper conversation	10	Leaving any event early without director's approval	5	Failure to dress out on "dress up" day or wear Cadette shirt when instructed	2
Failure to comply (includes jewelry, bus)	3	Talking during practice or performance when not permitted	5	Unexcused absence from practice. (With 24 hr Notification)	3	Cell phone usage during "Cadette Time"	3
Wearing jewelry of any kind when not permitted	2	Insubordination, refusal	5	Late to an event/performance	3	Late getting picked up by parent from event 30 min after end of event	2
Hair or nails not appropriate	2	Not obeying officers	5	Chewing gum or eating during practice/performance	3	Suspension	10
Lost item (must replace when available)	2	Public displays of affection	3	Tardiness to practice	1	After School Detention (may also be removed from performance that week if miss practice)	5
Chewing Gum	1	Not performing full out	3	Late to practice (With 24 hr Notification)	1	Visible Tattoo	3
Missing part of uniform (including practice)	2	Unlady like conduct	2	Leaving event/practice early permission	3	Disrespecting the team or team members/director	5
Public appearance in uniform without permission	2	Leaving props, accessories, costume pieces anywhere	2			Being under the influence (alcohol or drugs)	15
Not ready at appropriate time for inspection (shoes, hair, makeup, uniform, etc.)	2	Communicating to anyone during a performance, in the stands or competition when instructed not to.	2			Use of substance while at a Cadette event or in Cadette attire. This includes vaping	15
Wrong Practice Attire (per item)	1	Missing a due date for an item	1				
Inappropriate color hair (un natural color such as blue/ green, etc)	3						

*Demerits may also be given as other situations may arise at the discretion of the director and administration

Tryouts

Tryouts will be held in the later part of the fall semester and will follow district guidelines in the district handbook. All hopefuls will learn a tryout routine and perform the dance in front of a judging panel.

New members will begin to pay dues and purchase team clothing promptly after making the team and will move into a class period together in the spring. New members are held to the same standards as Cadettes.

Officer Tryouts

The director will communicate requirements to be an officer candidate and the tryout process in advance of tryouts.

Line Officer Tryouts

Candidates must have been on Cadettes for one full term and perform a solo at CFISD Showoffs and at least 1 team contest. The Cadette also must be in good standing with the team. Officer Candidates will be given a tryout packet explaining tryout procedures in the 2nd semester. Candidates will try out before a judging panel. No one can tryout for a line officer position if she has been ineligible at any time during the year of tryouts or received 7 or more demerits. Candidates must also have a balance of at least 5 merits and should log volunteer hours from the year and should be eager to help out the team throughout the year.

Social Board Officer Tryouts

Social Board Officer Candidates will be given a tryout packet explaining tryout procedures in the 2nd semester. The Candidate must be in good standing with the team. No one can tryout for a social board officer position if she has been ineligible at any time during the year of tryouts or received 7 or more demerits. Social Board officer candidates should display a positive attitude and servant leadership when leading up to try out as those are requirements for social officers.

Line Officer Duties

1. All line officers must attend and pay for summer camp (approx. \$1000) in early June along with work days in late July. Line officers must commit to extra practices (mornings, after practice, officer camp)
2. Stay after each rehearsal and until dismissed by the director
3. Set a good example for other team members and inform company of important events/reminders/due dates
4. Work with director to help decide on performances and dances
5. Communicate all directives from director to the team
6. Responsible for running practice with direction from the director
7. Additional duties as assigned by director
8. Know all dance material and be able to provide assistance to team.

Social Officer Duties

1. Attend extra meetings after practice as needed
2. Pay and attend officer work days in late July (approx. \$300)

3. Serve as spirit leaders, social planners, motivational leaders and examples to the team each day.
4. Decorate the room, locker room, plan events, organize social events (big/little sis, ball)
5. Plan team building activities and lead them with prior approval from the director.

Managers

1. Managers will be selected by an application process and selected by the director.
2. The number of managers selected is at the director's discretion
3. Managers will purchase Cadette wear and attend all practices and performances.
4. Managers will sit with the Crimson Cadettes for the entire football game and be available to help the director at any time.
5. Managers are in charge of equipment, medical bag, music and any other items communicated by the director.

Fundraisers

Crimson Cadettes and their families are expected to fully participate in all fundraisers throughout the year.

Routine Tryouts

As a member of Crimson Cadettes performance is not automatic. Performance is based on individual merit and routine evaluations.

1. Tryouts will be held for most routines throughout the year
2. Tryouts will be judged by the director(s) and officers. All decisions are final.
3. All members will abide by tryout results and maintain a positive attitude towards the team.
4. A member may be cut at any time from a routine for lack of memory, technique, projection, and execution of skills, flexibility, coordination, strength and endurance.
5. Performance spots are not secured by routine tryouts. All members must exhibit hard work and improvement in order to not be replaced by an alternate who may be working harder at the director's discretion.
6. Members not performing in a particular routine will still attend all practices, games and performances in the correct attire. Members will still perform in the stands and spirit lines. They will cheer on the team during performances. All members should maintain a positive attitude and demonstrate a good work ethic.
7. Performance is not guaranteed due to years on the team/grade level. Performance is granted by hard work and skill level.
8. As a member you will NOT be able to perform if you:
 - Are not performance ready (injuries, kicks, splits, dance technique, etc) as determined by the director- must have mastery of the routine and its skills
 - Do not have the memory of the routine
 - Miss practice
 - Come to a performance not prepared (incomplete uniform, etc)
 - Are not performing with proper cleaning points or showmanship after it has been discussed

Attendance

All members must be present and on time for all practices, performances and all other Cadette activities.

1. Crimson Cadettes are expected to have excellent school attendance
2. Attendance is crucial to the polishing and perfecting of routines.
3. All rehearsals and performances are required and each member must attend every day.
4. Work or doctors' appointments cannot interfere with rehearsals.
5. Missing practice during performance week for any reason, excused or unexcused, the member will automatically be removed from the routine(s) for that week.
6. Missing any summer camp will result in forfeiting one or more performances during football season.

Letter Jackets

A letter jacket will be awarded after a Cadette finishes one full term of Cadettes. The member must complete all financial responsibilities and fully participate in all activities. She must be in attendance at every Cadette event during the year. See CFISD drill team handbook.

Academics

1. All Cadettes must be academically eligible in order to participate in football games, pep rallies, contest, spring show, etc. (in accordance with UIL rules- no pass, no play)
2. Cadettes will be dismissed after failing three times during the academic year.
3. If an officer fails twice she will be demoted to a team member then the 3rd time she will be removed from the team.

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2018-2019

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The following is to be read, signed, and returned

I have read and I understand the guidelines set forth in the Cypress Woods High School Drill Team Addendum and the Cypress Fairbanks ISD Drill Team Handbook. I agree to abide by these rules and regulations.

I understand that all decisions regarding the team are made by the directors and administration of Cypress Woods High School in the best interest of the team. I agree to abide by their decisions.

I have been made aware of all financial obligations and due dates.

I agree to encourage school spirit and promote a positive school image. I agree to always work for the good of the team

Printed Name of Cadette

Signature of Cadette

I have read and discussed the CWHS Drill Team addendum and CFISD Handbook with my daughter. I agree to assist her in meeting all requirements.

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Cadette Parent/Guardian