



JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADING COACH – JOB DESCRIPTION

The role of the Cheerleading Coach is to teach the cheerleading squad to promote school spirit and encouragement of athletic teams. Jesuit High School sees the role of the Cheerleading Coach as being someone who, in addition to having a high level of knowledge in coaching the sport of cheerleading, can teach and model all the aspects of the Jesuit Profile at Graduation. Ideally it will be someone who can coach our young women and men in a highly competitive sport yet help them keep a balance in all aspects of their lives, spiritually, socially, mentally and physically.

A cheerleader promotes school spirit, school pride, and encourages the members of the athletic teams. Their involvement and enthusiasm in the Jesuit community helps other students feel a part of the community. Promoting positive teamwork, positive interactions amongst teammates (and all levels of the program), modeling sportsmanship and fan involvement at games and pep assemblies are viewed as important aspects of being a cheerleader.

The Head Cheerleading Coach reports directly to the Director of Student Activities. This position requires the coach to have ASEP or NFHS certification, CPR/First Aid certification and all other certifications required by the OSAA.

Specific Duties of the Head Cheerleading Coach:

Before Tryouts:

- Schedule a date for summer camp and practice.
- Schedule a date for uniform fitting
- Schedule dates for pre- and for post-tryout informational/parent meeting
- Create handouts of rules for the season upcoming dates, daily doubles, football schedule, camp schedule, try-out criteria, and other information about the upcoming season.
- Schedule a date for tryouts for 1 week in April or May. (Scheduling should occur after spring sports practices for track, softball, and golf.)
- Determine tryout criteria.
- Become familiar with budget for 2015-2016

Tryouts:

- Hold tryouts in an organized manner by teaching material at the beginning so students have time to learn it.
- Inform students at the beginning of tryouts as to how they will learn whether they are Varsity, JV, or not on the team.
- Organize a parent volunteer group to help with parties, locker signs, visiting team gift baskets, cheer clinic, and the end of the year banquet.

Summer:

- Conduct some summer practices and conditioning.
- Send letter home to parents along with copies of cheer expenses that each cheerleader is responsible for.
- Give out summer pre- and post- camp workouts to stay in shape for daily doubles.
- Prepare materials for daily doubles and organize the upcoming season.
- Attend cheer camp with the cheer leaders.

August:

- During daily doubles, teach the material/stunts that will be used during the following season.
- Arrange bus transportation with the Athletics Secretary to travel to away football games.
- Meet with student government and prepare for the first pep assembly.
- Plan a date for a beginning of the season party or barbecue.
- Contact the volunteer parent group to assist with this function.

Fall Season:

- Attend designated JV and Varsity football games (home and away) to supervise the cheerleaders.
- Maintain contact with parent volunteer group as to what events are next.
- Arrange bus transportation with the Athletics Secretary to travel to away games.
- Select cheerleader representative to attend Metro League Inter-Council meetings.
- Attend selected soccer and volleyball playoff games.
- Prepare for Crusader Cheer Challenge held in January.

Winter Season:

- Attend designated men's and women's JV and Varsity basketball games to supervise cheerleaders.
- Co-ordinate and act as Director for the Crusader Cheer Challenge.
- Maintain contact with parent volunteer group as to what events are coming up next.
- Organize an end of the year banquet with the help of the parent volunteer group.

Throughout Both Seasons:

- Supervise and direct the assistant cheerleading coach(s).
- Maintain cheerleading budget
- Distribute monthly calendar to cheerleaders and parents
- Maintain monthly attendance calendar for cheerleaders
- Be aware of cheerleaders school attendance and grades

End of the year:

- Present cheerleaders with awards and varsity letters.
- Collect and inventory cheer uniforms.