Dear Parent/Student:

Thank you for your interest in joining the West Perry Cheerleading Program for the 2017-2018 season. This activity is a huge commitment, and has a very long season. Please be aware of the following before you decide to try out for the team:

- This program is physically demanding and time consuming
- All games, practices, and competitions (if you are on the competition squad) are MANDATORY
- Cheerleaders are required to sign the Athletic Code of Conduct
- Cheerleaders, upon making the team, must obtain and pass a medical physical examination (after June 1st and prior to August 11th)
- Cheerleaders are required to abide by the Cheerleading Constitution
- Cheerleaders must raise funds for equipment and competition fees
- Cheerleaders must hold themselves to high standards. This includes grades, behavior in and out of school, appearance, strong work ethic and being respectful of their coaches and team
- Understand that this is a cheerleading program and will be treated and coached as any other sport here at West Perry. You will be expected to give your all and to make this program a priority.

Please consider the above items before you make your final decision. Mandatory tryout practices will begin on March 13, 15, and team selection night is March 16, 2017 @ 6:00-8:00 pm in the High School Auxiliary Gym.

You must fulfill the following in order to participate in tryouts:

- Two (2) Core Teacher Evaluations (These needed to be given to the teachers and returned to us by March 10th)
- 2. Signed "Acknowledgement of Risk and Consent to Participate" Form
- 3. Proper Practice Attire (Sneakers, athletic shorts, t-shirt and you have your hair up completely off your face)
- 4. 2017-2018 Cheerleader Information Form
- 5. Copy of report card for current year

We will be following a traditional tryout procedure this year. There will be three judges, and team selections will take place on March 16, 2017 beginning at 6:00 in the High School Auxiliary Gym. Each judge's score sheet will be worth 70 points; and each Teacher Evaluation will be worth 25 points. The possible total is 260 points. In order to make the team, you must average 150 points. All participants will be evaluated on motions, voice, showmanship, cheer, dance, jumps, stunts, and optional tumbling. All decisions will be final and will NOT be discussed the day/evening of tryouts.

Please contact me if you have any specific questions. Thank you and I look forward to working with you.

Cheers,
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