

2018 Westminster Wildcats
CHEERLEADING COACH APPLICATION
Westminster Football & Cheerleading Association

I would like to be considered for the following position(s) in the WFCA organization.
Please indicate 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice in order.

| Squad | Age Group* | |
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| A | 14 & U | |
| B | 12 & U | |
| C | 10 & U | |
| D | 8 & U | |
| E | 4 to 6 | |

* Some ages will fluctuate based on registration turn out and where birthdays fall

Please complete the following information to the best of your ability. Be sure to answer every question on all pages.

Section One - General Information

Name: _____
(Full name as printed on your driver's license or Maryland ID Card)

Residential Address: _____

City/State: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

(Please indicate the best way to contact you)

Email Address: _____

Driver's License State and Number: - _____

I DO / DO NOT (← Please circle one) have a valid drivers license from the State of Maryland or any other United States territory.

Notice Regarding Criminal Background Checks: WFCA is a member of the Carroll County Department of Enterprise & Recreational Services. As a member, the County Commissioners of Carroll County, through the Department of Enterprise & Recreational Services may require a comprehensive criminal background check in accordance with the Family Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Section 5-561 to end. For more information, please contact Jeff Degitz at (410) 386-2103.

Section Two – Eligibility

Have you ever been suspended from coaching/guidance/leadership of ANY youth activities for ANY reason, including cheerleading or any other sports, or been refused participation in any youth program for any reason?

Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please provide an explanation as to where, when and why:

Coaches will be subject to criminal background checks and must provide full disclosure of any incidents relating to convictions involving the use of force in any time period, any crime involving a minor in any time period, and multiple alcohol or drug convictions in the past 5 years. Coaches must be committed to and must have demonstrated the ability to live in harmony with other members of the community, within social & legally acceptable standards for leadership and teaching of our children. Candidates with backgrounds that demonstrate a blatant disregard for others, the law, and a pattern of self-destructive behavior are not fit for coaching youth sports in any organization, including the Westminster Wildcats.

I DO / DO NOT (←please circle one) have a disqualifying criminal conviction (s) which would eliminate me from consideration as a coach in the WFCA organization.

Disqualifying convictions are:

- 1) Any crime involving the use of force against another person at any time in history
- 2) Any crime involving a minor at any time in history
- 3) Any multiple (more than 1) convictions in the past 5 years for drugs and/or alcohol
- 4) Any other multiple convictions or patterns of behavior resulting in multiple charges in the past 10 years, which demonstrate blatant disregard for others, the law and a pattern of self-destructive behavior

Please make any notes below that you would like to explain any prior or pending convictions. For criminal history outside of the disqualifying convictions above, how can cheerleaders, parents and others be assured that you are fully committed to a crime-free lifestyle, and have made significant positive changes in your life to break free of the past patterns of behavior?

I do hereby certify that the information provided above is true and correct:

Printed Name

Signature of Applicant and Date

Section Three - Qualifications

WFCA MISSION STATEMENT

WFCA will provide an opportunity for the youth of the Westminster area to understand the positive benefits that lead to a healthy lifestyle and learn appreciation of the sports of football and cheerleading, allowing them to experience the positive character traits that are inherent in the games: sportsmanship; discipline; courage; learning; teamwork; the value of competition and competitiveness; trust and confidence in oneself, squad and teammates; resilience; the ability to adapt and overcome adversity; and an unselfish concern for the team ahead of the individual.

I agree with the WFCA Mission Statement above and if selected as a coach, will utilize and display the stated character traits in my planning, preparation, teaching, coaching, and development of the cheerleading program, interactions with cheerleaders and players, all coaches, all officials (WFCA, CCFL, Judges and Referees), and all parents associated with the Westminster Wildcats in my commitment to provide a positive experience for all.

As such, I am required to, and I agree fully to attend every WFCA general meeting, and coaches meetings, clinics as directed by the Board of Directors or their designees. Head coaches are responsible for the conduct of their cheerleaders, all of their coaching staff and the cheerleader's parents at all WFCA events, including practices, games and competitions. Violation of WFCA, CCFL and/or Carroll County Standard Operating Procedures, or rules governing cheerleading and youth sports will not be tolerated.

By submitting this application, I freely agree to all the terms, conditions, expectations and future amendments of the above statement. Submitted applications are not a guarantee of being selected as a head coach within the WFCA organization.

Other sports coaching or teaching experiences, years of experience, what you did, organizations etc.

Section 4 – Questionnaire

- 1) Why do you want to be considered as a head coach?

- 2) What is your definition of a leader?

- 3) How will you handle a parent or cheerleader who demands to be placed in a specific position? What was the outcome? Would you have done something differently?

- 4) How will you select assistant coaches? How involved will they be in the arrangement of dances and/or cheers for competitions and games?

- 5) How will you create a team environment between the cheerleaders? If there is a rift or issue within the squad, how will you address? List any past experiences and what was the outcome.

- 6) How will you handle a parent or cheerleader that is disruptive to practices, games and competition times?