

Hampshire Youth Football and Cheerleading

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Hampshire Wildcats Cheerleading Registration Packet 2009

The Hampshire Youth Football and Cheerleading Association welcomes you to our program. This information packet has been put together to help answer any question you may have for the 2009 season, or about Wildcat Football/Cheerleading in general. If you have any questions that are not answered in this packet, please speak with one of our coaches or volunteers at registration. You can also visit our website at www.hampshirewildcats.com for more information.

IYFL

The Wildcats are a member of the Illinois Youth Football League which is made up of teams from Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin. We follow IYFL rules, codes of conduct and team guidelines. For more information on the IYFL or for a copy of the IYFL rules and regulations, please visit their website at www.illiniyouthfootball.com.

IRCA

The Wildcats cheerleaders are members of the Illinois Recreational Cheerleading Association which is made up of teams throughout the state of Illinois. We follow the rules and team guidelines of the IRCA during competitions and our team formation. For more information on the IRCA, please visit their website at www.recreationalcheer.com

The Wildcats field teams at 4 levels:

Bantam

Lightweight

Middleweight

Heavyweight

It is our intention for the 2009 season to set up our Cheer squads accordingly:

Kitty Kats-Bantam – Kindergarten: This is a Instructional Squad, and will practice two times a week until school starts then only once a week. This squad will cheer on Saturday's for our Bantam Football Team. These squads will not participate in a competition but will be required to attend at least one competition to cheer on the older cheerleaders and see what they will be doing next year.

Junior (Purple, Silver and White) – 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th grade: Our Junior Squads are our intermediate squads. These squads will practice at least two times a week throughout the season. They will cheer on either Saturday or Sunday depending on the number of girls. It is our intention to have a Cheer Squad for every Lightweight Football Team. The Junior Squads will go to competition.

****Depending on the number of participants for the upcoming season there may be a Saturday Cheer Squad and a Sunday Cheer Squad for the same Football Level. According to the IRCA rules, the cheer squads can only have 2 grade levels. Squads will be determined by the Cheer director and head coaches of each cheer squad. ****

Jr. Varsity – 5th and 6th Grade. Our Jr. Varsity Squad is our intermediate - advanced squad. The Jr. Varsity Squad will be practicing at least two times a week throughout the season. The Jr. Varsity Squad will cheer on Sunday's for our Middleweight Football Team. The Jr. Varsity Squad will go to competition.

Varsity - 7th and 8th grade. Our Varsity Squad is another intermediate - advanced squad. The Varsity Squad will practice at least two times a week throughout the season. The Varsity Squad will cheer on Sunday's for our Heavyweight Football Team. The Varsity Squad will go to competition.

Cheerleader Responsibility:

It is the responsibility of the Cheerleader to provide Shoes for the games and Cheer Shoes for competition. The cheerleaders need to have any kind of clean, plain white gym shoe for our games. The type of Cheer Shoe for competition and the store to find them at will be handed out at a later date.

Practice:

The Wildcat Cheerleaders will start practice in mid July 2009. Cheerleaders/Parents will be contacted about practice dates and parent meetings. Should your cheerleader elect to quit Wildcat Cheerleading after attending 5 practices, the Wildcats will not refund any registration fees. You will get the uniform deposit back when the uniform is turned in.

The goal of the HYF&C is to teach your child the fundamentals of Cheerleading, team skills and above all, good sportsmanship.

The Wildcats Cheerleading will hold practice up to 2 times per week at during the football season, and possibly have 2 to 3 practices per week in preparation for Cheer Competition. The Wildcat Cheer coaches will determine which nights/Saturdays practices will be held depending on our indoor school availability. Indoor practices are held at Hampshire Middle School, Hampshire Elementary School or Gilberts Elementary school.

All cheerleaders must be covered under a health plan.

Additional Information:

The Wildcats are a not for profit organization, therefore we rely on our volunteers to help in the success of our program. On the following page please sign up for a volunteer position. Again, the success of our program is based on the help we get from our parents and members.

The Wildcats will hold a **MANDATORY** parent meeting during the 1st week of practice. You will be notified by mail of the actual date or check the Hampshire Wildcat website for up to date information about our program. Please plan to attend, since you will be given important information about the upcoming season.

Thank you for choosing to become a member of the HYF&C.

We look forward to a great 2009 season!

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Cheerleading Registration Fees and Explanations

Cheerleading Registration Information:

Cheerleading: \$125.00 per child

Cheer Camp: \$15.00

(Cheer camp is free if signed up for season, or camp cost will be deducted if signed up later)

Uniform Deposit: \$100.00 per child (separate check dated 12/1/09)

Participation Deposit: \$ 25.00 per family (separate check dated 12/1/09)

(Both deposit checks will be returned when the uniform is returned and your participation requirement is met)

Family Discount: 2 children \$50.00 discount, 3 children \$ 100.00 discount, 4 or more children same as 3 children

Mandatory Raffle: Each family would purchase 5x\$10.00 tickets. Tickets would be purchased at the time of registration. You can sell the tickets and keep the money or keep the tickets.

We will have a raffle each week when games begin. 1st prize winner for the week \$ 500.00, 2nd prize \$ 25.00.

(These payouts may vary depending on the actual enrollment of the program)

Explanation of fees:

Cheerleading- \$125.00 includes:

- A 3 day Cheer Camp (Date TBA)
- Entry fee for 2 Cheer Competitions
- Camp T-shirt
- Insurance
- Uniform/Equipment use
- Briefs/Socks/Hair Bow
- Wildcat Cheer Gift

Uniform Deposit- \$100.00

We are sorry to say but due to the problems in the past with HYF&C not getting the uniforms back clean and in a timely manner we have to impose this Uniform Deposit. Hampshire Youth Football and Cheerleading is requiring you to submit a separate check made payable to the HYF&C for the amount of \$100.00 to cover your child's uniform. This check will not be cashed by the HYF&C. This check will also need to be post dated for December 1st, 2009. This check will be returned to you once your child's uniform has been returned in good condition and cleaned. HYF&C will have two (2) uniform return sessions at the end of the season, which will be posted closer to the end of the season.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE RECEIVE THE UNIFORMS BACK AT THE END OF THE SEASON SO THAT WE CAN INSPECT THE UNIFORMS AND HAVE A CORRECT INVENTORY OF OUR UNIFORMS FOR THE NEXT SEASON.

***** IF YOU DO NOT RETURN THE UNIFORM ON OR BEFORE THE FINAL EQUIPMENT RETURN DATE, YOU WILL FORFEIT THE \$100.00 UNIFORM DEPOSIT. *****

If you are unable to return the equipment during any of the scheduled return dates/times, it will be **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to make arrangements with your child's coach.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

HYF&C Board of Directors

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Uniform Deposit Form

Child Name (Last, First): _____

Hampshire Youth Football and Cheerleading is requiring a Uniform Deposit for the 2009 season. The Uniform Deposit amount for Cheerleading is \$100.00 per Cheerleader and covers the Cheerleading Shell (Vest) and the Cheerleading Skirt. The Uniform Deposit is a separate check from the registration fee which needs to be **postdated** for **December 1, 2009**. The Uniform Deposit Check will not be cashed by HYF&C, but will be held for security until the uniform is turned in, **in good condition and has been cleaned** at the end of the season. Uniform turn in dates TBA. In the event that the uniform is not turned in at the designated time or a time set up by the Parent/Guardian of the above Cheerleader and the coach of the Cheer Squad, the \$100 Uniform deposit check will be forfeited and cashed by the HYF&C.

I, _____ have read the above statement and have submitted Check No. _____ to be held by HYF&C for my Childs Cheerleading Uniform.

I, _____ understand that if my child's uniform is not turned in at the designated time or a time set by myself and the Cheer coach of my child's squad my check for \$100.00 will be forfeited and cashed by HYF&C.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

HYF&C Signature: _____

Printed: _____ **Date:** _____

Uniform Turn In

I, _____ have returned my child's Cheerleading Uniform, which consists of her Cheerleading Shell (Vest) and her Cheerleading Skirt. My child's Cheerleading Uniform has been excepted by HYF&C in good condition and has been cleaned. I have received my Uniform Deposit Check, Check No. _____ back on (date) _____ by _____.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

HYF&C Signature: _____

Printed: _____ **Date:** _____

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Cheerleading Registration Form - 2009

Participant (Last, First) _____

Date of Birth _____ **Age** _____

Address _____

City _____ **Zip** _____ **Home Phone** _____

Grade in fall _____ **School Name** _____

Parent Information:

Mother Name (Last, First) _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Email Address: _____

Father Name (Last, First) _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Email Address: _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Name (Last, First) _____

Phone No's: (Home) _____ **Cell** _____

Relationship to child: _____

Medical Information:

Insurance Company Name: _____ **Policy No:** _____

Ins. Co. Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

Policy Holder Name: _____

Does your child have ANY Allergies? _____

Does your child have Asthma or any breathing difficulties? _____

Date of last Tetanus Booster: _____

Name of Childs' Pediatrician: _____ **Phone** _____

Hospital of Choice: _____



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Cheerleading Information Worksheet

Child Name (Last, First): _____

Childs' Age as of 9/1/09: _____

Childs' Grade as of 9/1/09: _____ School Name: _____

*****There are Saturday Teams and Sunday Teams.
Please let us know your preference.*****

Saturday _____ Sunday _____ No Preference _____

Coach Preference: _____

PLEASE REMEMBER:
WE CAN NOT MAKE GUARANTEES BUT
WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO HONOR YOUR REQUESTS,

T-Shirt Size for Camp

Youth 6-8 _____

Adult Small _____

Youth 10-12 _____

Adult Med _____

Youth 14-16 _____

Adult Large _____



I would like to be a Cheerleading Coach:

Name: _____

Phone # _____

Email: _____

2009 Minor Waiver/Release Form

**RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR MINOR PARTICIPANTS READ
BEFORE SIGNING...**

IN CONSIDERATION OF _____,
my minor child/ward, I agree to this release of liability for he/she to participate in any way in the Hampshire Youth Football and Cheerleading Association. (Wildcats) program, related events and activities of the Wildcats. The undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1. The risk of injury to my child from the activities involved in these programs is significant, including the potential for permanent disability and death, and while particular rules, equipment and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of injury does exist; and
2. FOR MYSELF, SPOUSE, AND CHILD, I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, BOTH KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASES OR OTHERS, AND ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY CHILD, and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with the program participation. If I observe any unusual significant concern in my child, in the program itself, I will remove my child from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and
4. I, for myself, my spouse, my child and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE THE other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lesser of premises used to conduct the event Releases RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
5. I, for myself, my spouse, my child and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS all the above Releases from any and all liabilities incident to my involvement or participation in these programs, EVEN ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTIONS OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Printed Name / Date: _____

2009 Emergency Medical Treatment Authorization

As the Parent/Legal Guardian of the above named participant, I/We do herewith authorize treatment by the Hampshire Fire Protection District or local emergency medical service and/or a qualified and licensed medical physician, nurse or Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) in the case of an emergency which, in the opinion of the ambulance/emergency service and/or attending physician, nurse, or EMT may endanger the named participant's life, causing disfigurement, physical impairment or undue discomfort if delayed. This authority is granted while a reasonable effort is being made to contact me at the emergency contact numbers given on the Cheerleading Registration Form - 2009. This form is completed and signed of my own free will and with the sole purpose of authorizing medical treatment under emergency circumstances in my absence.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Relationship to Cheerleader: _____

Date: _____

2009 Media Release Authorization

I, the undersigned, give the Hampshire Youth Football and Cheerleading Association permission to use my child or guardian's name and image in any media or published format.

Cheerleader Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Relationship to Cheerleader: _____

Date: _____ Exclusions: _____

Parent/Guardian Participation Deposit

HYF&C could not exist without a strong commitment from our participating families. As a parent/guardian, there are a choice of opportunities to help support our program throughout the year. Your efforts will not only help ensure that your child has a positive experience this year, but will ensure that the program exists for many years to come.

To ensure that our program runs smoothly, we have a volunteer requirement for all parents/guardians. A \$25 Parent Participation Deposit is required to encourage parents/guardians to fulfill their volunteer commitment. In the event that a parent/guardian does not complete a volunteer assignment, the Parent/Guardian Participation Deposit will be cashed 12/1/09.

We hope to return every single deposit because your enthusiastic efforts are much more valuable to your children and the organization than the deposit amount. By actively giving your time, you demonstrate the value of teamwork and responsibility for all of our developing athletes.

The areas that we need volunteers for are concessions, chain gang, and announcer. Also, please visit our website for a volunteer form for the different committees that need assistance.

I, _____ understand that my participation is necessary for the HYF&C 2009 season. I have provided HYF&C with a \$25 check postdated for 12/1/09. I understand that this check WILL NOT be cashed unless I choose not to fulfill my volunteer assignment/requirement.

Signature _____ Date _____

Child's Name _____

I, _____ have fulfilled my volunteer assignment and have received my \$25 postdated check back from HYF&C.

Signature _____ Date _____

Player Commitment Pledge

I hereby pledge to provide commitment, care, and encouragement for my team participating in Illinois Youth Football League by following this Players Commitment Pledge:

1. I will cheer/play for the fun of it, not to please any parents or coaches.
2. I will never allow negative aspects to enter my squad/game.
3. I will cheer/play by the rules.
4. I will accept success & failure, victory & defeat with good grace & without excessive display of emotions.
5. I will respect the ability of my opponents because without them there would be no game.
6. I will shake hands after each game regardless of the outcome.
7. I will notify my coach if I cannot attend a practice or a game.
8. I will never argue with or complain about a referee's call or decision.
9. I will control my temper and most of all, resist the temptation to retaliate.
10. I will not attempt to hurt anybody with words or actions.
11. I will concentrate on cheering/playing Football and on affecting the outcome of the game with my best effort.
12. I will work equally hard for my squad/team and for myself.
13. I will exhibit good sportsmanship by cheering all good plays, whether they are my teams or my opponent's team.
14. I will treat all cheerleaders/players the way I would like to be treated.
15. I will cooperate with my teammates, coaches, opponents, and referee's.
16. I will never forget that I am representing the Hampshire Wildcats and I will take care of the facilities and Uniform/Equipment provided.

Sportsmanship is: Moral behavior in sports. There is more to sportsmanship than simply being nice. Everyone also has to have an understanding as to why some actions are right or wrong. Sportsmanship is a learned behavior, it does not happen by itself.

Player Signature: _____

Player Name Printed: _____

Date: _____

Note: In order to participate in the Illinois Youth Football League, this form must be signed and dated. Failure of the cheerleader/player to read and sign the Players Commitment will automatically render the cheerleader/player ineligible to participate in League activities home or away. In addition, by signing this player commitment, cheerleaders/players agree to abide by the guidelines set forth above, and to conduct themselves in the appropriate manner. Failure to abide by this Code of Conduct, or violation of any of the guidelines set forth above, will automatically render the cheerleader/player unable to participate or attend any league sponsored event/s either home or away. Illinois Youth Board Members as well as HYF&C have the sole right to enforce violations.

Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my team participation in Illinois

Youth Football league by following this Parents Code of Conduct Pledge:

1. I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a Cheer/Football coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Ethics.
2. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all participants, Coaches, Officials, Board Members, and Staff at a league sponsored event either at home or away.
3. I will encourage a balanced lifestyle between sport, education, and other interest.
4. I will place the emotional, psychological, and physical well being of my child and any other child in the league ahead of any personal desires I may have.
5. I will insist that my child participates in a safe and healthy environment.
6. I will support all Coaches, Board Members, and others working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
7. I will accept that striving to win is more important than winning itself.
8. I will remember that the League is for the youth and - not for adults.
9. I will ask my child to treat other participants, Coaches, Board Members, Parents, and spectators with respect, regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
10. I, along with any quest of mine, will refrain from any - all vulgar, lewd, or obscene language or gestures while participating in or watching any league sponsor event whether at home or away.
11. I will direct all my comments and/or criticisms of parents, participants, officials, and/or board members away from the children participating in the league, and conduct myself in a calm, civilized manner when doing so.
12. I will respect the Illinois Youth Football League and HYF&C rules and regulations, and agree to abide by those rules, responsibilities, and Code of Conduct. Violations of these rules could result in disciplinary action up to and including permanent dismissal from the IYFL and HYF&C.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

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