

2023/2024

JV Cougar Spiritline Tryout Packet

*Spiritline reserves the right to change any details listed in this packet at any time.

Pre-Tryout Information Meeting (parents and students)

Thursday, July 25th
5:30 PM

Tryout Material
Tuesday- Wednesday- Thursday
Aug 1st & 2nd & 3rd
6:00-8:00 PM

Final Tryout
Friday Aug 4th
3:30 PM

Tryout Requirements: **MUST** be completed before attending tryouts!

- ♦Online Tryout Application (available at CougarSpiritLine.Com)
- ♦Print and Sign Contract Agreement (page 3 of this packet)
- ♦Complete Aktivite Profile
- ♦A physical dated **AFTER** March 1, 2023 is **REQUIRED** to be eligible for tryouts

Guidelines:

- ♦Blue or black shorts/leggings and white t-shirt
(NO: thin strap tank tops, exposed cleavage, crop tops, or short spandex shorts)
- ♦Appropriate athletic foot wear. No slip-on shoes, Crocs or bare feet
- ♦Hair pulled tightly out and off of face
- ♦No jewelry or gum
- ♦Natural nails trimmed back close to fingertip
- ♦No artificial/acrylic nails

Scoring:

- ♦Candidates will be scored on several skill categories from a panel of judges on Friday. While the opinions of these judges weigh heavily on team placement, the ultimate decision on the team placement is made by the head coach with full support from the CGUHS administration. All cuts and placements are final and are not open for discussion. Final selections will not be discussed with students or parents. Phone calls, emails, texts and/or letters regarding this topic will not be returned.

Dear Spiritline Candidate & Parents,

Thank you for your interest in the 2023/2024 CGUHS JV Cougar Spiritline. We appreciate your enthusiasm and interest in our program. This year's squads look to build on the traditions of the past and raise the squad performance to a new level. We are seeking spirited, motivated, dedicated, positive attitude individuals that are committed to representing Casa Grande Union High School Spiritline.

The Cougar Spiritline will separate the sideline teams (Varsity/JV) from the competitive team (Comp Team) as well as a separate Basketball Spiritline during basketball season. Being part of the program can be a truly rewarding experience, but it also requires a tremendous time and dedication commitment for every Cougar Spiritline Team. By trying out for the CGUHS JV Spiritline in August, you have chosen a commitment to be a part of a **full-time team**. Members **are not allowed** to participate in any other competitive sport/team including all-star/rec programs during the JV cheer season (AUG-Nov/End of Football Season)

Members may participate in on campus and off campus extra-curricular activities (Stu Co, Key Club, Deca, FFA, jobs, etc.) with the exception that it does not interfere with the member's attendance to practices, games/performances, fundraisers, community events, camps and any other team event/activity.

Additionally, a squad member must be able to work well with others, have a positive attitude and be dedicated to the team and their academics. Please be aware of this as you prepare to take on the challenges and responsibilities of becoming a member of the Cougar Spiritline.

Squad Obligations:

\$650

Spiritline members will promote school spirit and perform at home freshman & JV football games from Aug- as late as early November, at assemblies and at community events. Additionally, JV members are required to participate in any fundraisers and volunteer opportunities during the season. The season runs from the first day the team meets through the last football game, including playoffs. Practice will be a minimum of 3 days a week (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday/Thursday). Members will be REQUIRED to attend the team tumbling class on Mondays in Coolidge (transportation provided) and weekly strength and conditioning sessions. Game days are Thursdays and some Wednesdays.

Expenses	
365 Spirit Home Cheer Camp	\$150
Cheer Wear (shirts, bows & poms)	\$150
Tumbling/Conditioning Lessons	\$200
Game Day Cheer Shoes	\$100
Pay to Play (paid to athletics)	\$50
Member Total	\$650
** prices/ final cost may vary	

<u>Payment Due Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ON or BEFORE Aug 15 th	\$250
ON or BEFORE Sept 15 th	\$150/\$50 Pay to Play
ON or BEFORE Oct 17 th	\$200
Payments CANNOT be refunded once they are submitted.	
Payments are eligible for tax credit	

There are additional out of pocket cost associated when making the team:
Compression/cheer shorts, photos/banners, snack/supply donation, winter wear, etc.

Candidate commitment & parental permission to participate in CGUHS JV Cougar Spiritline Tryouts

I hereby commit to full participation for the 2023/2024 CGUHS Cougar Spiritline. I understand that I am required to tryout before I can be announced as a team member. I understand there are certain guidelines that I must meet in order to be eligible to tryout. I understand scores are based on all aspects of cheerleading by both the coaches and a panel of judges and I agree to abide by their decision. I understand that participating in tryouts does not guarantee a spot on one of the squads. I understand the ultimate decision on the team placement is made by the head coach with full support from the CGUHS administration. All cuts and placements are final and are not open for discussion. I am committed to fair play, teamwork, and respect of others during the tryouts and throughout the season if I am chosen to join the squad.

➤ Candidate Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date __/__/__

➤ Parent Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date __/__/__

Informed Consent/Release and Discharge of Liability (23-24)

I understand by the very nature of the activity, cheerleading and gymnastics carry a risk of physical injury. No matter how careful the participants and coaches are, how many spotters are used, or what landing surface is used, the risk cannot be eliminated. Cheerleading is a vigorous & physical activity involving motion, rotation and height in a unique environment which carries with it a higher than ordinary risk of injury. On rare occasions, these injuries could be serious, severe or life threatening. I understand these risks and release and discharge employees, agents, instructors, coaches, volunteers and directors of the activity from any and all liability, claims, or causes of action resulting in any kind of damages, illness, injuries, to my child in any way relating to or arising out of this activity.

➤ Parent Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date __/__/__

Parent/Guardian Financial Obligation (23-24)

There are certain responsibilities and obligations which must be assumed if your child is a member of the CGUHS JV Cougar SpiritLine. One such responsibility is meeting the financial obligations of the squad. Although the ultimate obligation belongs to the parent/guardian, the team will work together whenever possible to minimize the personal obligation. Fundraising opportunities are organized such that each cheerleader can help to offset their financial obligations as long as they dedicate the time and work hard. Therefore, financial obligations should not be a deterrent to tryout. As an aside, the team will only participate or purchase items, if all financial obligations are met. Please understand that financial obligations listed in this packet are not limited to just those items. Expenses can and often do come up during the year. All expenses are asked to be paid on time as stated on the cost sheet so that they can be received in time. Specific fundraising events may be set up to cover extra cost of the program. Once any item(s) have been ordered, parents/guardians are responsible to pay for it. All monies paid are non-refundable. If a member resigns or is removed from the squad for any reason, all monies collected are non-refundable. If a member quits or is removed from the squad prior to receiving any cheer wear they will forfeit receiving those items and will not be reimbursed any money. If there is an outstanding balance at the end of the year, for any reason, CGUHS will hold that amount on the individual's bookstore account until payment is made in full. Any unused personal fundraised monies at the end of the year will be added to the Spiritline account and will not carry over to the individual the following season. No monies will be given for amounts not used within the specific season in which they were raised. Please seriously consider these financial obligations prior to making a commitment to the Cougar Spiritline.

I/We have read the financial obligation form and understand my financial obligation.

➤ Parent Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date __/__/__