

Albany High School 2020-2021 Dance Team Tryouts

June 24-26, 2020

Dear Future Dancer and Parents:

Thank you for showing interest in trying out for the 2020-2021 AHS Dance Team. Please read the following information closely. There are specific responsibilities and obligations which must be met by future dancers and parents in order to qualify for tryouts. It is an honor and privilege to be chosen for the AHS dance team and the tryout requirements have been set forth to reflect a high standard of not only dance requirements but academic success. After reading and agreeing to the information provided, please complete and attach a COPY of the items listed below.

TRYOUT REQUIREMENTS:

1. 2.0 GPA on your **most recent interim** in order to tryout. (Must attach a copy.)
2. Copy of your health insurance card.
3. \$35.00 tryout fee. *NON-REFUNDABLE* (Please make all checks payable to AHS.)
4. Must attend tryout clinic June 24-25th and tryout on June 26th.
5. No outstanding balance with the dance team or any other school debt the day of tryouts.

PLEASE ATTACH COPIES ONLY OF REQUIRED PAPERWORK TO THE TRYOUT APPLICATION.

TRYOUTS:

Tryout clinic will be held on Wednesday, June 24th and Thursday, June 25th from 2:00-5:00 pm. On Wednesday June 24th and Thursday June 25th dance team candidates will meet in the AHS gym. Tryouts will be held on Friday June 26th at the Albany High School gym from 2 pm-until tryout clinics and tryouts are CLOSED. Family and friends are NOT allowed to stay during tryouts. Clinics and tryouts will start at set times – do not be late. Parents must wait in vehicles until their child is released from tryouts. Parents are NOT allowed inside the gym for any reason.

Clinic will Include:

1. A qualified instructor who will conduct the clinic.
2. Participants will be taught dance routines and technical movements.

Tryouts will Include:

1. 3 qualified judges
2. Tryouts will be in small groups
3. Participants should wear black tights and a fitted black tank top
 - It is not required to purchase jazz shoes for tryouts; however, it is advised to bring jazz shoes if you own them.
4. Participants will be judged in the following areas:
 - Appearance, Energy/Enthusiasm (facial expressions), Dance, and Technique.
 - Appearance – makeup, hair must be up and out of face, and no jewelry.

Participants must bring their own drinks for clinic and tryouts.

RESULTS:

Participants will receive a letter informing them of their admittance to the team immediately following tryouts.

DEPOSITS:

There will be a \$300.00 **NON-REFUNDABLE** deposit due at the mandatory parent meeting.

Uniform balance and supply fees are to be **PAID IN FULL** by Monday, August 24, 2020. **Dancers will not participate in practice/games until ALL fees are paid.** All fees not paid will become a debt – report card will be held.

COSTS:

The **APPROXIMATE** cost for a new dancer for the 2020-2021 school year will be \$1500. This includes performance uniforms, practice uniforms, shoes, warm-ups, bags, pom poms, etc. **A specific breakdown of all costs will be given at the mandatory parent meeting.**

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT AND TIME COMMITMENT:

The job of a dancer is a responsibility that is shared by both dancer and parent. There are financial and transportation obligations as well as time requirements.

Read the following statements carefully and decide, "Am I committed to being a member of the Albany High School Dance Team?"

- Will I attend every football game and required basketball games?
- Will I exhibit a respectful and positive attitude during any school function (class, game, practice, dance, etc.)?
- Will I give up free time to practice and improve individually and as a team?
- Will I work in the classroom to keep my grades to LHSAA standards?

SUMMER PRACTICES & CAMP:

Summer practices will begin July 6th and continue until the end of July. Summer practices will be 3-4 days weekly.

Dancers must provide their own transportation to and from all games, clinics, and practices. Participants must be at **EVERY** event unless excused by team sponsors.

For any questions regarding tryouts, summer practices, or any dance related concern – please feel free to contact me via email vanessa.cardenas@lpsb.org.

AHS Dance Team Tryout Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Phone #: _____ Phone #: _____

Birthdate: _____

Current Grade Level: _____ Current School: _____

GPA: _____ (Attach copy of most recent interim)

My child, _____, has my permission to try out for the Albany High School Dance Team for the 2019-2020 school year.

Should my child make the dance team, I will make sure she attends all events specified and keeps account balances up to date.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Dancer Signature

Date

I, the undersigned, have read and understand all the information and requirements listed. **I commit to all of the responsibilities of being a member of AHS Dance Team.**

Student Signature

Date

AHS Dance Team Balance Verification

Name: _____

Current Grade: _____ Current School: _____

According to Albany High School Dance Team Organizational Policy Handbook, no person shall be allowed to try out for the dance team with an outstanding balance owed to any Livingston Parish School organization.

Please have your current principal sign off stating that you owe no outstanding balances to their school at the time of try outs.

Principal of Current School:

I have verified that the above stated student has a zero balance owed to my school. She has financial clearance to try out for the Albany High School Dance Team.

Current Principal's Signature

Date