

Overview

Our mission is to create and maintain a cheerleading program that teaches the fundamentals of cheerleading for grades 3rd-7th and prepares 8th grade athletes for high school cheerleading. West Linn Youth Cheer raises up the whole athlete with a strong emphasis on teamwork, sportsmanship, responsibility, and respect in the spirit of cheer.

Position

West Linn Youth Cheer is currently seeking Youth Cheer Coaches to join our staff. Our youth team is made up of 3rd-5th graders. Candidates with a background in sideline and/or competitive cheerleading is preferred, but candidates new to cheer and willing to learn are also welcome. Positions are part-time and positions are paid. We are a non-profit organization. Paid contracts are dependent on the number of registered athletes within a season, and the level of experience and contribution of the coach. Payment for coaches' time is made once sideline season is over. Practices are typically Tuesday/Thursday 5-6pm, and Saturday games.

General Responsibilities

- Coordinate all games and practices with coaching staff and board.
- Communicate with parents about all pertinent team and organization information.
- Learn and follow all OCCA/NFHS rules, policies, and procedures for youth/rec teams.
- Provide a SAFE and FUN environment for athletes.
- Be able to coach/guide 10-25 athletes.

Sideline Season

April-May

- Attend Coaches planning meeting. Date TBD
- Uniform/Gear Exchange for families. Date/time TBD. Coaches' attendance is not mandatory.
- Parent meeting in April. All coaches should plan attend. Date/time TBD.
- Registration opens in April and runs through May. Dates TBD
- Uniform Fittings May 21st. Coaches need to attend to help.

July-November

- Familiarize/learn cheers before the season starts in July and prepare to teach material to the team
- Attend cheer camp. Usually in late July/early August Mon-Thurs. TBC
- Attend and be on time to all scheduled football games, practices, team events.
 - We understand that absences happen. Between the coaching staff, at least one coach needs to be able to attend. Two is preferred for safety reasons.
 - If you plan to miss more than 2 practices or multiple games July-Nov, this may not be the right role for you. Please work with Melia about any scheduling conflicts.
- Teach the fundamentals of stunting.
- Choreograph or teach halftime performances (2-3)
- Attend team photos in September (Date TBD) and help photographer during Youth Teams photos.
- Attend at least one team dinner.
- Work with board and Melia to organize end of season party.

Qualifications

All coaches will need to complete the following certifications prior to the start of practices. We do reimburse for certifications.

- [Spirit Safety Workshop \(Annual - Recertify every year\)](#)
- [NFHS - Fundamentals of Coaching \(One Time Course\)](#)
- [NFHS - Concussion in Sports \(Annual - Recertify every year\)](#)
- [NFHS - Heat Illness Prevention \(Quadrennial - Recertify every 4 years\)](#)
- Red Cross - First Aid/CPR/AED (Biennial - Recertify every 2 years)
- Background Check

Interest Applicants Steps

1. Submit application online: <https://forms.gle/P5wbqWf5Tpe1aPaf6>
2. Email westlinnyouthcheer97068@gmail.com once you have submitted your application.