

James Clemens High School Band Dance Line

Please turn in packets by March 24, 2021.

Dance Clinic: Monday (3/29) – Wednesday (3/31) (4-5:30pm)

Dance Tryouts – Thursday, April 1, 2021 (4 – until finished)

Location: JCHS Auditorium

Please print clearly.

Name _____

Current Grade _____ Current School _____

Number of years you have taken dance _____ What studio _____

Number/Name of classes you are enrolled in at your studio _____

Number of years you have been on a school dance team _____

Number of years you have been in studio competition _____

Average number of dances you are in per competition season _____

Parent Guardian _____

Home address _____

Home phone number _____ Cell number (dancer) _____

Cell number(s) (parents) _____

Email address (parents) _____

Email address (dancer) _____

Emergency contact name and number (other than parent) _____

Medications student takes/ allergies/ medical conditions _____

What contributions do you think you can make to the James Clemens Band Dance Line?

Why do you want to be a member of the James Clemens Band Dance Line? _____

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Parent/Participant Agreement

I/we have read the rules and regulations of the James Clemens Dance Team and understand that I will be expected to comply if I am chosen to be a member of the team.

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

The parent/guardian signature serves as your permission for your child to try out for the dance team.

Please return application and agreement to Ms. Becca Courtney (JCHS) on or before March 24. (Note, you can scan the application and send it via email to rscourtney@madisoncity.k12.al.us.)

Monday (3/29) and Tuesday (3/30) 4-5:30:

4:00 – 4:10: Introductions and Number Handout

4:10 – 4:30: Stretch. Technique and motion instruction

4:30 – 5:00: Learn the dance as a group

5:00 – 5:20: Work in groups on dance, turns, leaps, and jumps

5:20 – 5:30: Review dance, Q&A session

Wednesday (3/31) 4-5:00:

4:00 - 4:30: Review material for try-outs.

4:30 - 5:30 Mock Try-outs.

Thursday (4/1) TRY-OUT Day (4 pm until all have auditioned)

- Closed to everyone except participants.
- Attire:
 - black tank/leotard, black sports bra, and black shorts; no jeans or leggings.
 - hair must be pulled up and out of the face
 - shoes or jazz shoes must be worn at all times
 - No gum, no jewelry

Tryout Requirements:

- Completed Application/Agreement
- Athletic Physical
- Proof of medical insurance (copy of card)
- 4 teacher evaluation forms (must be from a core class)
- Attendance required for at least 2 clinic days and tryout
- Individuals will be evaluated on grades, teacher evaluations, discipline, technical skills, and performance of a choreographed dance routine.
- The following technical skills will be judged at tryouts: Grande Jete (Right and Left), Straddle Leap, Single Pirouette (Right and Left), Axel turn, Calypso turn, Splits (Right and Left), Kick Sequence.

Please turn in all items (except for teacher recommendations) to Ms. Becca Courtney on or before March 24, 2021. Teacher recommendations should be either put in Ms. B. Courtney's box at JCHS or sent via van-mail or email by the teacher completing the form.

Special notes:

1. The band dance team will be made up of girls in grades 9-12.
2. Judges will evaluate each girl and choose the team. **ALL decisions are final.**
3. The number of spaces on the team each year is not set. Girls will be placed on the team based on their skill level. It is also important to remember that when performing, a team must dance as one. Consideration is given to how a dancer looks when performing with a group.

James Clemens High School Band Dance Line Regulations

This list is for the participants that will be chosen for the dance team. Please be sure you and your child are willing to comply. A more detailed constitution will be provided for dance team members to read and sign after tryouts.

1. Must maintain a 70 average in **all** core classes. The coach will review progress reports and report cards each grading period.
2. Must attend band camp at JCHS. This will be July 19 – July 30. Full details and dates will come later.
3. Must attend all performances, games, and other scheduled activities (including playoff games). Other activities or jobs may not interfere with dance team obligations without prior permission. Dancers will have class first semester during fourth block. REQUIRED after school practices will be every Tuesday and Thursday, 3:45-5:30 throughout the fall semester. Occasional extra practices as needed and called by the band director/coach.
4. Must not leave early or arrive late to or from any practice, performance, or any other activity unless excused by the coach and/or the band director with at least a day notice.
5. Meet deadlines (turning in money, forms, etc.)
6. May participate in all fundraisers to help offset the cost of uniforms, fees, and trips.
7. Is expected to respect and abide by the decisions and rules of the coach.
8. Inappropriate behavior at school, performance, activity, or any other time you are representing the school will not be tolerated. This is to include inappropriate posts on social media. The coach will have discretion as to whether you will remain on the team or participate in upcoming activities.
9. If you quit or if you are dismissed from the team, you will not be allowed to try out the following year without consent of the coach. Any member who misses 2 performances will be dismissed from the team unless it is excused by a doctor's note or a death in the family. If you are dismissed from the team you will be placed in a regular PE class and will forfeit all monies paid.

All decisions of the coach, band director, athletic director and principal are final.

Failure to comply with any of the rules may result in dismissal.

2020-2021 Dates to Remember (Subject to change)

Please note you need to be committed to the JCHS Band and Varsity Band Dance Line every Tuesday/Thursday (3:45-5:30) and Fridays during football season (3:30 – 10:00 or later) in addition to the special events listed below. Note, these dates (with the exception of band camp) are either not set at the time of this packet or are not firm.

Mandatory:

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| ● (Monday-Friday) | July 19 – July 30 | Band Camp (2 weeks) |
| ● Tuesday | Sept. | March on Madison (date TBD) |
| ● Thursday | Sept/Oct. ? | Homecoming parade |
| ● Saturday | Oct.? | Madison Street Festival Parade |
| ● Friday | Oct. ? | End of fall break football game/practice |
| ● Thursday | Nov ? | Sounds of the Stadium |
| ● Fridays | Nov and Dec | Playoff games (TBD) |
| ● Saturday | Dec ? | Madison Christmas Parade and Band Christmas Party (date subject to change) |

We will attend three competitions this fall. These are usually on a Saturday and occur during the months of October and November.

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Approximate Expenses for Members

The following is an **estimated** price list for 2021-2022 Band Dance Line. Amounts could be more but every effort will be made to stay within these amounts. Opportunities will be provided for fundraisers, but the member will be responsible for the balance not raised.

\$300	Band Fall Participation Fee
\$50	Class Fee (paid at time of registration)
\$250	Performance Uniforms (Show Themed Uniform)
\$25	Props/costume changes needed for show
\$40	Performance Jewelry/Makeup
\$125	Warm-ups
\$75	Backpack
\$75	Tennis Shoes
\$64	Game-Day/Performance Jersey
\$15	Ear Warmers & Gloves
\$50	Dri-fit practice shirts (2)
\$10	Rain Poncho (on your own)
???	Jazz shoes (tan or black)
???	Tights (replace as needed)
???	Uniform alterations as needed
\$50	Sweatshirt (optional)
\$100	Practice uniforms/camp clothes (a portion of this will be optional)
\$???	Choreography fee
\$65	Friday night meals for games provided by the hospitality committee (Optional)

Total \$1615 (Note: this includes all above expenses some of which are optional)

Fundraisers will be held to help offset costs. Parents who work in the concession will receive \$50 toward their expenses from the band.

There will be a virtual parent meeting on Tuesday, April 13, 2021. Details will follow tryouts.

Teacher Evaluation (4 required)

Student name _____ Current Grade _____

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Please rank students 1-10 (10 being the best) on how they perform in the following areas:

_____ Attitude

_____ Discipline

_____ Effort

_____ Test Grades

_____ Leadership

_____ Classwork

_____ Integrity

_____ Homework

_____ Reliability

_____ Overall Student

Comments:

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