

February 8, 2011

Dear Ben-Gal Candidate,

The Cincinnati Ben-Gals Cheerleader tryouts will begin with preliminaries on Tuesday, May 3rd, please arrive at 6:00 PM. Attached you will find all the pertinent information for tryouts.

The winners from the preliminary tryouts on May 3rd will join the current Ben-Gals for mandatory workshops on Wednesday, May 4, Thursday, May 5, Tuesday May 10, and the semifinals on May 12. Finals are going to be May 15th at the Syndicate in Newport.

We will be holding optional clinics on the following Saturdays, April 2, 9, 16, and 23. You can sign up for all of them or just a few. They will be held from 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. The fee for the clinic is \$30.00 per session or \$100 for all 4 if paid in full prior to deadline, March 30, 2011. The clinics are not mandatory to tryout. Choreographers will be there to work with you and teach our current techniques. The clinics however, are recommended and will give you a better perspective on our tryout process. All sessions will be held at the Paul Brown Stadium in the gymnasium, with the exception of our finals. Directions are included along with application.

Attire for both tryouts and clinic: spandex sports bra and spandex shorts, white bottom tennis shoes with small ankle golf socks, nude color or your own skin tone color panty hose. Glamour is important and will contribute towards your score. Full complete hair style and make up is HIGHLY recommended. You can buy this attire at Target/Wal-Mart, a dance supply store, etc. Also, some ladies have even used the boy cut bathing suit bottoms to accomplish attire.

Please mail tryout application, picture, clinic application (if applicable), and a money order by March 30th.

Checks made payable to: 1Cheer
Charlotte Jacobs
Paul Brown Stadium
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Basic Cheerleader information for tryouts!!

Requirements:

21 years of age by September 1, 2011

Must live in the greater Cincinnati area after you are chosen. Date to reside in area is July 1st, 2011. **MUST HAVE VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE WITH YOUR LOCAL ADDRESS BY JULY 1ST**. You must live in a 50-mile radius of the stadium.

You must be employed or a full time student.

Miscellaneous: we have 2 practices a week from June through December and 3 practices a week for one month prior to the preseason. We practice Tuesdays and Thursdays during the 2 a week and Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during the 3 a week.

If we are in the playoffs the mandatory practices will continue into January.

It is a long season and you **CAN NOT** miss more than 4 practices for the entire season.

Each person is paid \$85.00 per game. Outside paid appearances are possibilities.

You are will be expected to perform a minimum of (10) outside charity functions supported by the Bengals.

The tryouts are judged and based upon dance ability and technique, beauty and glamour, and overall physique.

Flexibility and a good attitude is a **Must!!**

Checklist for tryouts

****Mail back tryout application and clinic application with money order together in same envelope. YOU MUST also enclose a recent photo (not returnable). MAKE SURE YOU INCLUDE YOUR PHOTO!!**

****As far as your photo, make sure it is a headshot of YOU only and no one else is in the picture!!**

****If you do not attend clinic, you still MUST mail all documents prior to preliminary tryout.**

****Address for mailing documents back: Charlotte Jacobs, One Paul Brown Stadium Cincinnati, OH 45202**

****Attire-you need to look glamorous and wear attire that is flattering to you, however, it must be spandex sports bra and shorts, white tennis shoe bottoms, and nude color panty hose.**

****Hair and Make up is important, remember you will be getting a score pertaining to glamour!**

****Directions to Stadium enclosed**

****Water bottle or snack during breaks**

****Check your schedule for practice times...Tuesday, Thursday 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM and during the month before the season opens Wednesday, 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM. Charity events will be announced as the year goes on and you will be expected to attend at least (10)!!**

****We will have our first mandatory meeting in May after winners are announced, and photo shoots immediately.**

****Practices start first week of June and end last week of December unless we are in the Playoffs!!**

Cincinnati Ben-Gals
Workshop Application

Name: _____

Please check dates.

Workshop/Clinic Dates: April 2 _____
April 9 _____
April 16 _____
April 23 _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Check #: _____

Check Payable to: 1Cheer

Please Mail Payment to:
Charlotte Jacobs
One Paul Brown Stadium
Cincinnati OH 45202

Please fill out application and attach a picture (head shot) Polaroid or basic snapshot accepted. Glamour Shot type pictures not necessary. Picture will not be returned.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____State_____Zip Code_____

Date of Birth_____

Home Telephone_____Cell Phone_____

College Graduate_____Year Graduated_____Major_____

College Attended_____Anticipated Graduation Date_____

Employed_____Company_____

Work Telephone_____Driver's License number_____

Dance
Experience_____

Special Awards or Honors achieved in last 3
years_____

Have you ever been arrested? _____ If so why?_____

Do you have any friends who are current Ben-Gals, if so whom?

Directions to Paul Brown - Security Entrance
(Accessible to the stadium from Mehring Way)

NOTE: CENTRAL AVENUE IS NOT MARKED FROM 3RD STREET.... IT IS STREET AFTER PLUM

AT SECURITY GATE, YOU WILL PRESS THE INTERCOM BUTTON TO BE CONNECTED TO SECURITY OFFICER...THEY WILL OPEN GATE FOR YOU.

From I-75 NORTH OR SOUTH

- Take second street exit
- Take right onto Elm Street
- Take right onto Mehring Way
- Look on right for black fence...security gate is marked Team deliveries and MRI
- Security is straight ahead through doorway

From I-471

- Take 50W/3rd Street exit
- Take 3rd Street Exit
- Follow 3rd through town
- Left on Central Avenue (no sign...street after Plum) Central Avenue dead ends into Mehring Way.... take left onto Mehring
- First IMMEDIATE left is entrance into stadium...look for black fence...driveway is between two green trash cans and signage marked Team deliveries and MRI
- Security is straight ahead through doorway

From I-71

- Take 3rd Street Exit
- Follow through town
- Take left on Central Avenue
- Left on Central Avenue (no sign...street after Plum) Central Avenue dead ends into Mehring Way.... take left onto Mehring
- First IMMEDIATE left is entrance into stadium...look for black fence...driveway is between two green trash cans and signage marked Team deliveries and MRI
- Security is straight ahead through doorway

PARK IN PLAYER PARKING AND PROCEED THROUGH DOOR MARKED SECURITY