

Canton Lions Cheerleading Coach Application

Being a Coach is an exciting way to be involved in sports but it isn't easy! Some coaches are overwhelmed by the responsibilities involving making daily practice plans, preparing for Homecoming and Cheer Rally, attending monthly board meeting, keeping attendance records, communication with parent, while at the same time, helping athletes through their early cheerleading experiences.

Experienced Coaches are not surprised, because they know coaching cheer requires more than bringing the cheers and putting routines together. It involves preparing kids physically and mentally, teaching proper techniques, teamwork, to compete effectively, fairly, and safely in cheerleading and providing them a positive role model.

Many coaches are parents, but the two roles should not be confused. As a parent, you are responsible only to yourself and your child, as a coach, you are responsible to the organization, all the cheerleaders on the TEAM (including your child), and the parents. A coach assumes the responsibility of doing everything possible to ensure that the cheerleaders on their team will have an enjoyable and safe experience while they learn proper technique and cheerleading skills.

As a Canton Lions Cheer Coach some of the things that are required:

1. Report directly to the Cheer Director.
2. Communication with the Parents of the cheerleaders on your team, Team Moms, Director and Asst. Director.
3. As a coaching staff taking responsibility for your actions and/or cheerleaders while at games & practices.
4. As a coaching staff work together to ensure communication, responsibilities and coverage of practices is discussed with co-coaches, teen coaches, director and assistant director and everyone understands their responsibilities as a team.
5. All Coaches shall conduct operations in complete compliance with all rules and regulations as established by the Lions Club Parent League (WSJFL) and in accordance with the National Federation of State and High School Association. Plus MHSAA Rules for Cheerleading
6. Shall attend monthly Parent Meetings and participant in Canton Lions Events.

General Information

Personal Information **CONFIDENTIAL**

Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home #: _____ Daytime #: _____

Cell #: _____

Email Address: _____

****Note ALL Coaches are required to submit to a routine background check – Forms will be handed out. *****

Experience (with youth Activities other than cheer)

Dates of Position: _____

Duties/Responsibilities: _____

Position Applying for: _____

Eligibility

Have you ever been Suspended from coaching or guidance leadership of any youth activities for any reason, including cheer or any other sports, or been refused participation in any youth program for any reason?

No _____ Yes _____ If yes, please explain

Coaching Information

1. Please list your coaching & playing experiences

Year

Position/Team Level/General Information

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

2. Briefly explain why you should be selected as a Coach.

3. Please add other qualifications that you'll bring to this position.

4. What are your coaching strengths and weaknesses?

5. If you are familiar with the Canton Lions program, what aspects do you like best? What changes or recommendations would you suggest to improve the club?

6. Please describe your coaching philosophy for the age group you are applying for?

7. Please describe your coaching philosophy for winning?

Are you willing to accept the following administrative and other responsibilities for your team, if selected?

1. Attend Monthly Parent meetings? Yes No
2. In the event you cannot attend Monthly Parent meeting, you will send a representative?
 Yes No
3. Attend Coaches Meeting, when scheduled applicable? Yes No
4. Be responsible for the actions for teen coaches and/or cheerleaders at games and practices
 Yes No
5. Conduct your team operations in complete with all rules and regulations as established by the Lions Club Parent League and in accordance with the National Federation of State and High School Association and MHSAA Rules.
 Yes No
6. Attend and participate in all Canton Lions events (ie, Banquet, Picnic, Pep Rally, etc.) Yes No
7. Attend CPR training (if scheduled)? Yes No
8. Become certified in Concussion training. Yes No
9. Attend all required WSJFL training: Yes No

Please list at least three (3) references:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Contact Number</u>
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Print Name

Applicant Signature

Thank you for your interest and applying of the position of the CHEER COACH!!

Sincerely,

Tamika Banks, Canton Lions Cheer Director

Return the completed application to cantonlionscheerdirector@gmail.com