

Journey Middle School
Color Guard
Try Out Packet
2024-2025

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All forms are due no later
than April 3, 2024

Who We Are

The Journey Middle School Color Guard Team is on a "Journey to Excellence"! Our dedicated and passionate team of young athletes is proud to represent our school at local and regional competitions and to energize the crowd at our school's football games.

Our Mission: We aim to inspire, unite, and empower our fellow students while promoting school spirit, sportsmanship, and teamwork. We strive to be role models on and off the field, emphasizing dedication, perseverance, and a commitment to excellence. We aim to create memorable experiences and lasting friendships through our performances and community involvement.

Our Journey to Success: The Journey Middle School Color Guard Team is more than just a group of athletes; we are a family. We work tirelessly to master our routines and support each other every step of the way. Our journey to success is filled with hard work, determination, and the unwavering belief that we can achieve greatness together.

What We Do

Football Games: You'll find us on the sidelines at home school football games and select away games, cheering on our team and creating an electrifying atmosphere. Our dances and flag routines are designed to boost school spirit.

Community Engagement: We believe in giving back to our community. We engage in various community service projects throughout the year, supporting local charities and organizations. We want to make a positive impact beyond the field.

Join Our Journey

Are you interested in joining our spirited team? Whether you're an experienced color guard member or just getting started, we welcome all enthusiastic individuals willing to work hard, learn, and share in our passion for color guard.

Please read on for more information about our upcoming color guard clinic and tryouts for the 2024-2025 season. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out. Go, Jags!!!

Ms. Chloe Carpenter
Color Guard Coach

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2024-2025 Color Guard Clinic and Tryouts

Who: Any upcoming 7th or 8th grader who will attend Journey Middle School during the 2024-2025 school year is interested in being a part of the color.

When: Clinic: April 3rd - 4th, 3:30-5:30 Closed Tryout: April 5th, 3:30-5:30

Where: JMS Gym (You will be notified via email if the location changes).

Attire: Clinic Day: t-shirt, athletic shorts, and tennis shoes

Tryout (Friday): White shirt, black shorts, ankle socks, tennis shoes, ribbon (if desired), hair is worn out of face.

To participate in the clinic and tryouts, each color guard candidate must have the following forms filled out in their entirety by April 3rd.

1. Sign up for Tryouts via the Google Form (Scan the QR Code below or visit the link on our page of the JMS website)
2. Sign up for our team on Dragonfly Max
 - a. Go to dragonflymax.com. Log in to your account or sign up for free. Enter your name and email address, and enter code A84BAG to join JMS. Select your sport (Color Guard) and enter the following information:
 - i. Updated medical & demographic information for 2024-2025
 - ii. Preparticipation Physical Evaluation Form
3. Complete two Teacher Recommendation Forms. These will be sent from the coaches directly to teachers when candidates complete the Google Form. Candidates should ask teachers before attaching their names to the Google Form.

All forms should be complete by April 3rd. Failure to do so will result in a candidate being deemed ineligible for tryouts.

Scan the QR Code below to sign-up for tryouts!



Requirements for 2024-2025 Color Guard Team

Students/Parents,

Please read the following requirements carefully. Failure to meet the needs could result in suspension or dismissal from the team.

1. All color guard candidates must be physically able to try out.
2. All color guard candidates must turn in all required forms and paperwork in Dragonfly by April 3rd, 2024.
3. All color guard members must be a Journey Middle School student entering either the 7th or 8th grade for the 2024-2025 school year
4. All color guard members must maintain a 70 overall average in each subject area. This average must be kept in all classes in order to remain an active color guard member.
5. All color guard members must be able to attend at least one clinic day before tryouts. We recommend attending both days to feel the most confident and prepared for tryouts.
6. All color guard members must attend all summer practices. (Dates to be announced at parent meeting on April 8th, typically the last week of July.)
7. All color guard members must attend all selected JMS football games and selected JMS basketball games.
8. Color guard members must attend all in-season practices unless a parent notice and valid excuse have been given in advance.
9. Color guard members must abide by the Journey Middle School Student-Athlete Contract (can be found on the JMS website under Athletic Forms)
10. Color guard members must agree to abide by the 2024-2025 Spirit Team Demerit System. Color guard members must understand that the accumulation of too many demerits can result in dismissal from the team.
11. Parents of color guard members must accept all monetary obligations.
12. Parents of color guard members must be willing to work a designated number of times in the JMS Concession Stand, if needed.
13. Parents of color guard members must be willing to participate in a carpool to/from selected away games.

Projected Monetary Commitments

Please be sure to review all payment details and due dates before committing to trying out. Once a color guard member makes the team, coaches will assume parents are agreeing to monetary requirements. All costs are subject to change depending on vendors and circumstances. No refunds or returns will be issued should a cheerleader quit or be removed from the team. Monetary Expectations will be reviewed in detail at the mandatory parent meeting on **Monday, April 8th at 5 PM.**

Estimates for 2024-2025 JMS Color Guard		
	23-24 Budget	
	Individual	TEAM***
Up Front Costs (due immediately)		
Uniform Usage/Cleaning Fee	\$175	
Uniforms & Supplies		
Dance Dress Fill-ins		\$25.00
Black Jazz Pants Fill-ins		\$11.00
Poms		\$10.00
Silks		\$50.00
Poles		\$10.00
Required Clothing and Accessories		
Jaz Shoes (x2)	\$50	
Black Uniform Sleeves	\$25	
Game Day Shirt	\$20	
Practice Shirts (x2)	\$40	
Uniform Bra	\$50	
Bow	\$12	
Sweatshirt	\$40	
Bag w/ Monogramming	\$60	
Jacket w/ Monogramming	\$60	
Game Day		
Game Day Food/Snacks	\$50	
Spirit Supplies		\$20
Coaching Expenses		
Coach Cards		\$10.00
Coach Courses		\$20.00
Asst. Coaching Fees (include taxes)		\$50.00
Miscellaneous		
Banquet Supplies		10
Professional Photos	\$20	
Total	\$602	\$216

**These amounts are estimates and may change.

***Team amount is raised using fundraisers whenever possible

****Each student must fundraise a minimum of \$200.