

# JCMS Dance Team Tryout Packet 2008-2009

## General Policies

- All Practices are required.
- All games are required.
- Dancer must tell the coach in advance if they have a conflict that will prevent them from attending a practice or a game. If notice is given and if the coach determines that the Dancer knows the routine, the coach may allow the Dancer to perform with the team at the next game. If no notice is given, the Dancer will still be required to attend the next game but she will have chosen to sit out the entire game.
- For safety reasons hair must be pulled back and no jewelry may be worn at every practice, and at games.
- No gum
- Dancers are expected to present a positive attitude at all times. A Dancer that participates in inappropriate behavior and or presents a negative attitude at school, during practice, or during a game may be benched for part of or an entire game, and could be removed from the squad entirely.
- A Handbook will be handed out to Dancers on the team at the first practice explaining behavior expectations in greater detail.

## Breakdown of Costs (approx. \$145) - cont. next page

*Due at the Beginning of the Season (Items that the School Will Order)*

Performance Top		Will be bought by the school as part of the team uniform. Will be returned at the end of the season to the coaches.
Two JCMS t-shirts	\$25	
Shoes	\$50	
JCMS Hoodie	\$25	
Black Jazz Pants	\$30	

Tights	\$15	
<b>Uniform total</b>	\$145	<b>This amount will be collected by the school so that items can be ordered. This amount is due to be paid in full by June 2, 2008.</b>
<b>Dance Camp</b>	\$290	<b>UDA Dance Camp</b> Location: IU-Bloomington Date: 6/21/08-6/24/08 <b>This amount will be collected Monday, May 19, 2008 in order to meet UDA registration deadlines. If your child is unable to attend camp because of a scheduled conflict, this must be addressed immediately with the coaches.</b>

## Pictures:

Kirkwood Photography will be scheduled to take a team photo during the basketball season. Parents will have the opportunity to purchase a photo from Kirkwood Photography at that time.

## Due Dates for Money

**A required Parent Meeting, for all students that make the 2008-2009 Dance Team will be held on Monday, May 19, 2008 from 5:00pm-6:00pm- in the school cafeteria.** The first payment to cover the costs of Dance Team membership is due at this meeting. The amount of the payment is \$290 for the cost of camp. Checks should be made payable to Jackson Creek Middle School and "Dance Team camp" should be noted on the memo line. The second payment that will cover the cost of team items will be due no later than June 2<sup>nd</sup>. This amount is \$145. Checks again should be made payable to JCMS and "Dance Team-2<sup>nd</sup> payment" should be noted in the memo line.

Items will be ordered soon after June 2, 2008. If the school has not received your payment, we will not place the order for your items. Dancers risk not having their items before the first game if their items are not ordered on time. *In the case of a Dancer moving or deciding not to participate please note the money will not be refundable after items are ordered.*

If a family needs assistance with the costs involved with participating in the dance team, they should contact Mr. David Pillar, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director. (330-2451 or [dpillar@mccsc.edu](mailto:dpillar@mccsc.edu))

## Schedule for 2008-2009 Season

<b>Practices</b>	<b>Performances</b>
Summer	<p>Team Building Session Date and Location- TBA</p> <p>JCMS Dance Team Camp Dates: Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> – Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> Camp held at Indiana University- Bloomington</p>
<p>Football</p> <p>TBA – (two hour practices will be held twice a week during football season)</p>	<p><b>Football</b> (the squad will perform at the half time of both games) Location – Olcott Park Field unless otherwise noted. Arrival time is 15 minutes before the game start-time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wednesday, 9/3/08 (first game starts at 5:30)</li> <li>▪ Tuesday, 9/16/08 (first game starts at 5:30 )</li> <li>▪ Wednesday, 10/7/08 (first game starts at 6:00)</li> <li>▪ Tuesday, 10/15/07 arrive at 5:30 p.m. at <b>BHSS</b> (first game starts at 6:00)</li> </ul>
<p>Boys &amp; Girls Basketball</p> <p>TBA – (two-hour practices will be held once or twice a week during basketball season)</p>	<p><b>Boys &amp; Girls Basketball</b> (the squad will perform at the half time of both games). Arrival time is 15 minutes before the game start time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Thursday, 11/20 (Boys 7A/8A - first game starts 6:00p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Tuesday, 12/2 (Boys 7A/7B - first games starts 6:00p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Wednesday, 12/17 (Boys 7A/7B - first game starts 5:30p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Wednesday, 12/18 (Boys 8A/8B - first games</li> </ul>

	<p>starts 6:00p.m.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tuesday, 1/6/09. (Boys 7A/8A - first game starts 6:00p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Wednesday, 1/14 (Girls 7A/7B - first game starts 5:30p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Thursday, 1/15 (Boys 8A/8B-first game starts 5:30 p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Thursday, 1/20 (Girls 7A/7B – first game starts 6:00p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Wednesday, 1/21 (Boys 8A/8B – first game starts 6:00p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Tuesday, 1/27 –(Boys 7A/7B – first game starts 6:00p.m.)</li> <li>▪ Thursday, 1/29 (Boys 7A/8A – first game starts 6:00 p.m.)</li> </ul> <p>*There will be an awards banquet for the girls as well. Date and Time - TBA</p>
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## **\*Performance dates and times may be subject to change**

### Schedule

Please check the schedule (see chart above) in this Tryout Packet for conflicts that may come up within your own schedule. Also, it should be noted that girls who want to participate in **Girls Volleyball, Cross-Country or Girls Basketball** may find that there are too many conflicts to participate fully in either sport. It is possible to participate in both Dance Team and these other sports. Students who consider participating in more than one sport should contemplate the extreme time commitment that it will take to complete all academic work and attend all of the practices and performances for both sports.

### Physical Forms

In order for the physical form to valid for the 2008-2009, MCCSC/JCMS requires that a physical form be completed on a date after May 1, 2008. **A completed physical form must be brought to the coaches at the first practice.** This form is available in student reception at JCMS and online at [www.jackson.mccsc.edu/](http://www.jackson.mccsc.edu/) (hover over the word athletics then click on download athletic physical form). Physicals for the 08-09 school year will be offered at Jackson Creek on Tuesday 5/20 from 6-9 p.m. or through appointment with your family physician.

Dates for Tryouts-Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday May 16<sup>th</sup> (6:00-8:00 p.m.)

Agenda for Tryouts...Tryouts will consist of registration, a warm-up, movement across the floor, and a combination that will be taught by the coaches. The

combination will be seen by the judges in small groups pulled at random and each group will perform the dance multiple times. **Each participant should bring water!** There will be a few breaks during the tryout process. Make sure you wear jazz pants and a tight fitted shirt to tryouts. No baggie clothes and no jewelry.

## Tryout Schedule

### Wednesday, May 14, 2008

- 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration (A complete tryout packet will be collected from each girl. This is required in order to participate in tryouts. No exceptions will be made.)
- Warm-up, learn dance combination, practice

### Friday, May 16, 2008

- Warm- up, go through dance combination one time, practice
- Judges will begin seeing the combination in groups, starting with 2 or 3 large groups and then moving to smaller groups
- Finally judges will see any "specialties" participants may have (i.e. turns, tumbling, jumps, etc.)

## Judges/Results of Tryouts

Neutral adult judges are comprised from a combination of the following groups: JCMS Dance Team Coaches, Administrator, Teacher, Dancers from IU.

The official list of 2008-2009 Dance Team Squad will be posted on the front door of the school after the judges finish calculating scores (likely 9:00pm or later) on Friday, May 16, 2008.

## JCMS Dance Tryout Forms

*\*Please bring these completed forms to tryouts on May 14, 2008.*

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Registration for JCMS Dance Team  
2008-2009

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade (check one): \_\_\_6<sup>th</sup> grade or \_\_\_7<sup>th</sup> grade

1. Please briefly list or describe any previous dance experience you have in the space below:

2. **Briefly** describe why you would like to be a member of the JCMS Dance Team:
  
3. Please briefly list or describe any **other extracurricular activities** you might participate in during the 2008-2009 school year:
  
4. Do you foresee any potential **conflicts** with your schedule of activities and participation on the Dance Team? If so, please describe them below:
  
5. Any Additional comments you feel would be important may be written below:

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### Emergency Contact Information for Dance Team Try-Outs: (5-14-08 & 5-16-08)

In the event of an emergency, contact:

\_\_\_\_\_ (relationship to dancer) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number where emergency contact can be reached: \_\_\_\_\_

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Any current physical injury the coaches should be aware of during try-outs:

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Any on-going physical injuries: \_\_\_\_\_

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Any medical conditions the coaches should be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

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## JCMS Dance Tryout Forms

### TRYOUT PACKET PARENT AND STUDENT SIGN-OFF

Directions: Please initial the box next to each item then sign on the bottom line. This Dance Team Tryout Packet Signature Page must be submitted on the day of Tryouts.

Parent Initials	Student Initials	
		I have read and will adhere to general policies of the Dance Team.
		I have read the information about the format for Tryouts. I understand that the Dance Team Tryouts will only be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 and Friday, May 16, 2008 from 6:00-8:00pm.
		I have reviewed the information concerning practices and performances (and I am aware that specific dates will be given later and there will be summer commitments as well).
		I have read the breakdown of costs and I understand that the <u>first payment</u> to cover these costs will be due on May 19, 2008 in the amount of <u>\$135</u> . (Due dates for the remaining costs will be set later in the season.)

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_