

Edmond Santa Fe Pom

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# Santa Fe Pom Squad

- We are excited you are considering trying out for Pom!
- Pom is a great way to build relationships and be a part of Santa Fe! Before trying out, please be aware of the time and financial commitments.
- All details can be found in the Santa Fe Pom Handbook and the District Guidelines.



# Squad Information

- Varsity Pom - Up to 24 members (10th - 12th graders)
- Freshmen Pom - Up to 12 members (9th grade only)
- Squads are determined by tryout scores - tryouts are scored by independent judges
- State Squad - Based on a combination of try out and coach selection. Please be aware that when you try out, if you make the state team, you must attend all practices and pay all expenses. This includes Freshmen as well as Varsity team members.

# Tryout Information

- Wear all black shorts or leggings and jazz shoes or half soles.
- Hair secured back out of face.
- No jewelry or gum.
- Phones put away.
- Three judges will score the participants. In case of a tie, middle score will be the tie breaker
- Must turn in by 3:00pm Wednesday March 26th:
  - District Cheer and Pom guidelines signature page.
  - Edmond Santa Fe Handbook signature page.
  - \$40 try out fee
  - Physical (current athletes at Santa Fe, Heartland or Summit will already have a physical on file.)  
Physicals can be brought on the first day of clinic.

# Squad Expectations - Time Commitment

- Pom is a significant time commitment
  - All practices, games and events are REQUIRED. Any exceptions will be on a case-by-case basis and may require follow-up information from a parent or medical professional.
- Pom supports multiple sports throughout the year
  - Varsity squads attend football and basketball home and away games as well as home JV games. Varsity also attends home and some Edmond wrestling matches.
  - Freshmen attend all Freshmen home football and basketball games.
- Pom practice is a year round commitment
  - Varsity practice is daily during 7th hour with 1-2 late practice days (until 4:30pm, days to be determined.)
  - Freshmen practice during 6th hour
- State competitive team will have additional practices outside of pom practice 1-2 times per week leading up to state competition in December.
  - Dates and times are TBD, but likely to be Sunday afternoons.

# Squad Expectations - Time Commitment

- Squad members are expected to attend all clinics and camps.
  - Freshmen members will attend back-to-school camp in August
  - Varsity members will attend a chants and sidelines camp, a summer skills camp and a back to school camp

# Squad Expectations - Financial Commitment

- Pom fees and expenses are outlined in the handbook. These are estimates, so are somewhat subject to change.
- Many expenses will be due 2-3 weeks after tryouts.
- Our district provides uniforms
  - They can be altered, but no fabric can be cut
- Warm-ups, poms, shoes, etc. must be purchased by each squad member - see complete list in the manual.
- Parents are welcome to organize fundraisers to help cover pom costs.

# Squad Expectations - Behavior

- Spirit squads represent our school. Our expectations are very high for how our team members conduct themselves. Additional information can be found in the handbook regarding specific expectations and consequences.



# Thank You!

- Pom is an exciting way to build dance skills and be a part of Edmond Santa Fe!
- In order to try out, you need to turn in by March 13th at 3:00pm.
  - District Cheer and Pom guidelines signed and completed
  - Edmond Santa Fe Handbook signed and completed.
  - \$40 try out fee
  - Physical (current athletes at Santa Fe, Heartland or Summit will already have a physical on file.)
- Please reach out with any questions
  - Varsity - Vanessa Palmer [vanessa.palmer@edmondschools.net](mailto:vanessa.palmer@edmondschools.net)
  - Freshmen - [Lindsay.ihrig@edmondschools.net](mailto:Lindsay.ihrig@edmondschools.net)
  - We will also have an informational meeting March 11th at 5:30pm in the Main Cafeteria. Feel free to stop by and ask any questions!