

Hinsdale South Danceline Tryout Information & Permission Form

Spring 2024:

Dear Parents & Dancers,

We are excited that your daughter has an interest in dancing for the Hinsdale South Danceline. Clinics and tryouts are going to be held on the following days:

Tuesday, April 9	3:45-5:30 pm	Cafeteria	Clinic
Wednesday, April 10	3:45-5:30 pm	Cafeteria	Clinic
Thursday, April 11	3:30-7:30 pm	Cafeteria	Tryouts



During clinics candidates will learn a short routine that includes both pom and jazz styles as well as technique for turns, leaps, splits, toe touch, kicks, etc. Please have your dancer wear comfortable clothing and appropriate shoes for clinics and *fitted black/dark bottoms and a fitted plain top for tryouts*. Each candidate will be judged based on her performance of the routine and techniques at tryouts. At the end of tryouts your dancer will know if she has made the danceline team, however placement on the Varsity or Junior Varsity team will not be decided until AFTER summer camp. Placement on Varsity is skill based not age/seniority based. Additionally, specific placements on Varsity/JV are subject to change following football season. If your dancer is selected as a member of Danceline, there will be a mandatory meeting within two weeks which is to be announced.

Danceline can be an enriching experience for your daughter; yet, it involves a great deal of time and commitment. Danceline will have practices in May and July to prepare for UDA Dance Camp in July. We will host the Junior Hornet Dance Camp for elementary and middle school students in July. If your daughter is selected for the team, please schedule summer vacations accordingly. Beginning in late August, the football/fall practices will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; winter/basketball season practices could be up to six days a week (per coach's discretion).

Danceline consists of a Varsity Squad and a Junior Varsity Squad. Incoming freshmen are eligible for either squad. Danceline is divided into football and basketball seasons, at the end of tryouts you will know if you have made the team, however placement on Varsity or JV will be decided AFTER summer camp.

Please note that involvement in both seasons of Varsity or Junior Varsity Danceline prohibits members from participating in any other fall or winter sport. Participating in the Winter IHSA Competitive Season prohibits the participation in private dance studio *competition* during the winter season. Members may participate in a spring sport, however. The competition squad will also be the basketball Danceline members; please note the amount of time the winter season will require. Seasonal Activities and Responsibilities are listed below: All Activities are subject to change***

Spring/Summer (Varsity&JV)

4 Day Camp-UDA
New Member Practice (2)
Spring/Summer Practices
Junior Hornet Camp

Fall/Football (Varsity&JV)

Pregame/half-time performances
Practice: 3-4 per week
Studio Practice: 1 per week

Winter/Basketball (Varsity & JV)

Pregame/Half-time performance
Competitions: 8 total (IDTA & IHSA)
Practices: 4-6 per week

It is necessary for you and your daughter to fill out the Google Form linked to the next page after reading the permission form.

We hope to see your dancer soon. Best of luck! ☺

Sincerely,
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After reading the information below, please complete

THIS GOOGLE FORM

before tryouts to allow your dancer to try out for Hinsdale South's Danceline.

In addition to IHSA guidelines, dancers are required to abide by the following tryout regulations:

***Clinics are offered Tuesday, April 9 & Wednesday, April 10 from 3:45-5:30 in the student cafeteria.** Students may attend all or part of the clinics as their schedules permit. If students leave early due to scheduling conflicts, they are responsible to learn missed material for tryouts. **Candidates must submit permission form via Google Form in order to participate on Tuesday, April 9**

***Tryouts/Auditions are offered Thursday, April 11 from 3:30-7:30 in the Cafeteria.** Dancers must be available to participate in tryouts. Special circumstances will only be considered prior to the tryout date ONLY.

***The coaches and senior Danceline members are available to assist dancers during clinics only. Choreography/demonstrations cannot be video recorded during the clinic times.** Dancers may not ask for or receive additional assistance from the choreographers, coaches, or senior members outside of the clinic. (Failure to comply with this guideline can result in disqualification.) Dancers are also prohibited from contacting the judges.

***The coaches and a panel of experienced/qualified judges will select the Danceline squads.** These scores are the property of Hinsdale South High School athletic department and are confidential. A dancer waives her right to her scores. The decision of the judging panel is final. **Tryouts and clinic dates are closed to all parents/spectators.**

***Appropriate athletic attire, gym shoes/dance shoes are to be worn to all clinic dates. Shoes must be worn at all times, bare feet are NOT permitted. It is asked that dancers wear fitted black/dark bottoms and a plain black/dark fitted top on the day of the Audition/Tryout. It is also asked that dancers wear their hair in a high or low bun.**

As a dancer, I will regard my selection as an honor and will uphold and maintain the ideals and standards described in the constitution. I will further abide by all the Hinsdale South High School rules and the co-curricular code. I fully understand that if I am found in violation of any of the ideals mentioned in the Danceline Constitution as well as the Hinsdale South High School co-curricular handbook, I will be subject to some form of disciplinary action that may result in either temporary or permanent suspension from the squad.

As a parent/guardian, I will support the regulations under which my daughter will be governed as a Hinsdale South High School Danceline member. In addition, I agree to meet the financial requirements of Danceline membership. She has my full permission to audition for Hinsdale South Danceline.

Upcoming Spring/Summer Dates for 2024-25 Danceline Members

Parent Meeting for 2023-2024 Season: Apr 30, 2024

Spring Camp Practices for Returning & New Members: May 7/9/14/16

Junior Hornet Camp & Summer Practices: July 17/18/19/22

UDA Camp at NIU: July 23/24/25/26