

Pantherettes Halftime Dance Team Auditions

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Thank you for your interest in auditioning for the Pantherettes Halftime Dance Team! Please read all of the information in this packet carefully so you will be prepared for the audition process. At the clinics, you will learn one routine and the technique required for tryouts. **Final auditions will be held on Saturday, May 9th in the Dance Room.** It is important that you attend all clinic days. However, if you have any scheduling conflicts, please let one of the coaches know as soon as possible so we can plan for other arrangements. You will learn the result of your audition and receive feedback on Monday, May 11th during a face-to-face meeting with the coaches.

SCHEDULE:

Pre-Audition Meeting (Community Room) - Enter through door #38:

Wednesday, April 22nd (6:30-7:30 PM)

Informational meeting for individuals interested in trying out for the *halftime and/or competitive dance team*** for the 2020-2021 school year. This meeting is not mandatory but it is highly encouraged that both dancers and parents attend.**

Audition Clinics (OHS Fieldhouse) - Enter through door #35:

Tuesday, May 5th (4:30-6:30 PM)

Wednesday, May 6th (4:30-6:30 PM)

Thursday, May 7th (4:30-6:30 PM)

Final Audition (OHS Dance Room) - Enter through door #35:

Saturday, May 9th (9 AM start)

Audition times will be assigned during audition clinics

Audition Results Meeting (OHS Dance Room) - Enter through door #35:

Monday, May 11th (3:45 PM start)

Time slots will be assigned during audition clinics

There will be a parent meeting on Wednesday, May 13th at 6:30 PM at OHS for all dancers who have made the team following auditions. The dancer and a parent are both required to be present for those who have been selected to be a part of the 20-21 Pantherettes Halftime Dance Team.

WHAT TO WEAR:

- For Clinics: Clothes you can move in!
 - Jazz pants/leggings, capris, shorts
 - Solid colored tanks, short-sleeved fitted shirts, leotards – no writing
 - Jazz shoes or gym shoes
 - No bare midriffs, no baggy clothes, no sweats, no bare feet or stocking feet
- For Final Audition:
 - Same as above but solid BLACK clothing only; hair should be pulled back and off of your face

BEFORE TRYOUTS:

- 1) Register on the 8to18: (<https://oswego.8to18.com/>),
 - Tryout candidates who have previously registered on the 8to18 website for OHS click on “log me in.” If you have previously registered but do not remember your password please follow the steps to recover your password - **do not create a new account!** If you create a new account your information will not transfer from your previous account.
 - Tryout candidates who have never logged on to the 8to18 website for OHS - click on “create an account.”
 - You are registering for “Halftime Dance.”
 - ****Please note: the activity user fee will not be paid until after you have made the team.**
- 2) Read through the Pantherettes Halftime Dance Team Standards & Expectations Contract.
- 3) Complete an IHSA Participation Examination (Physical). If you have participated in a sport this year, your current school probably has one on file. **You will NOT be able to participate in any clinics/tryouts unless you have a current physical on file in the OHS athletic office.**

Items #2 & #3 can be found on the dance team’s 8to18 website under resources:

<http://il.8to18.com/oswego/activities/dance-team/g>

Commitment:

If you are chosen to be a member of the 2019 Pantherettes Halftime Dance Team you will be expected to attend the following:

- Attend summer practices on Tuesday & Wednesday mornings from 9-11:30 AM on 6/2, 6/3, 6/16, 6/17 & 6/30.
- Youth summer camp June 22-25 at Thompson Jr. High (9-11 AM)
- Home choreography camp at OHS from June 8-11 (Time TBD) *****ALL FOOTBALL GAME CHOREOGRAPHY WILL BE LEARNED THIS WEEK --- it is very important that all efforts are made to be at all days of this camp*****
- Practices during the school year will be Tuesdays & Thursdays after school
 - JV practices 2:45-4:45 PM
 - Varsity practices 3:45-5:45 PM
 - ****Additional practice days will be added homecoming week (week of 10/2)**
- Pantherfest – performance & face painting (8/21 4:00-8:30 PM)
- Football home game performances (8/28, 9/11, 10/2, & 10/16)
- Crosstown performance at OE 10/9 (Varsity Only)
- Additional performances as needed (pep rallies, school/community functions)

If you are chosen to be a member of the Halftime Dance Team you should expect that you will have the following **approximate costs** during the halftime season (includes \$55 fee for summer camp):

- Athletic User Fee: \$65
- New Members: \$250-\$300
- Returning Members: \$150-200