



# Creekside High School

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## DANCE TEAM TRYOUTS PACKETS 2020-2021



DUE BY: April 20, 2020

**\*\*By the start of tryout clinic\*\***

INCOMPLETE PACKETS OR LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT  
BE ACCEPTED!



**Creekside High School**

**Varsity Dance Team Tryouts**

**2020-2021**

**Captain Tryouts:**

**April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 4pm-8pm Creekside Cafeteria (2019-2020 CKDT members only)**

**Tryout Clinic: You must attend ALL days.**

**April 20-22, 4pm-6pm @ Creekside Cafeteria**

**\*\*TRYOUT\*\*:**

**Thursday, April 23 4pm-6pm @ Creekside Cafeteria**

**Team Announced: FRIDAY APRIL 24**

**Mandatory Parent/Student Meeting:**

**Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 6:15-7:00pm @ Creekside cafeteria**

Within this Information packet, you will find the necessary documents needed in order to take part in the dance tryout process. The student athlete as well as the parent/guardian of the student athlete must review all of the information, agree to and complete/sign on the appropriate pages and submit the appropriate pages from the Information Packet.

**Dance Team packets are due no later than April 20 @ 4:00 pm (start of clinics).**

**INCOMPLETE PACKETS OR LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!!!! The student athlete will NOT be allowed to participate in the Dance tryout clinic or be allowed to tryout for the team if the packet is incomplete!**

## Information Packet Checklist

Dance Tryout Application Agreement Form 2020-2021

Personal Skill Sheet

Personal Information Sheet

CHS Dance Contract

Summer Practice/ Camp Form

2 Teacher/ Coach Evaluation Forms (in sealed envelopes)

[Each candidate needs to attach an envelope to the evaluation forms with their name on the outside and the teacher/coach should return the envelope sealed and signed to you to turn in with your other forms.]

Most Current Grade Report

\*\*\*If grade report does not meet the necessary requirements [**2.0 minimum G.P.A. and only one "F" and no "U's"**], you may **NOT** tryout. If student athlete becomes ineligible after selected for the squad upon final eligibility check he/she will be removed from squad. \*\*\*

**EL2 Pre-participation Physical Examination Form (3 pages)** Creekside will host an Athletic Fair and Physical Event ON APRIL 11, where they will offer EL2 Physicals. The cost is \$10 for all athletes. Details of the Athletic Fair can be found on the CHS Athletics webpage. Otherwise, CVS, Walgreens, and other convenience clinics complete school physicals without the doctor's office wait.

**EL3 Consent & Release Forms (4 pages)**

Parent Behavioral Contract

**Please return packets to the front office in a sealed envelope, labeled "Dance Team Tryouts - Coach Williamson".**



## **Contact Information CHS Varsity Dance Team**

### **CHS Varsity Dance Coaches:**

**Head Coach: Coach Amelia Williamson**

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**Assistant Coach: Coach Kim McNickle**

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### **CHS Athletic Director:**

**Mr. Luke Marabell**

Email: [lewis.Marabell@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:lewis.Marabell@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

### **CHS Athletic Secretary**

**Ms. Tina Northcut**

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**Instagram: [knightsdanceteam\\_](#)**

Website: [www-chs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/athletics/](http://www-chs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/athletics/)

Address: Creekside High School

100 Knights Lane

St. Johns, FL 32259

**Dance Tryout Application Agreement Form  
Creekside High School Varsity Dance Team  
2020-2021**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, submit this application for a position in the CHS Dance team for the 2020-2021 season, my academic grade level will be \_\_\_\_\_.

**By submitting this application, I understand and agree to the following:**

I must maintain a 2.0 GPA and will hereby release my academic transcripts to the Head Coach.

I understand that I must be in good standing with my high school or middle school and am not on any type of academic or disciplinary probation.

**I must turn in the following paperwork no later than 4:00pm on Monday, April 20, 2020:**

- Dance Tryout Application Agreement Form
- Personal Information Sheet
- CHS Dance Contract
- Summer Practice/ Camp Form
- 2 Teacher/ Coach Evaluation Forms (in sealed envelopes)
- Most Current Grade Report
- EL2 Pre-participation Physical Examination Form (3 pages)
- EL3 Consent & Release Forms (4 pages)
- Parent Behavioral Contract

I understand that not having all of these will disqualify me from trying out for a team position.

I have no health or physical conditions, which would hinder my ability to tryout for the CHS Dance team or which might cause the tryout process for the CHS Dance team to be unsafe to my health or the health and well-being of others. Creekside High School, St. Johns County School District, and/or Coach will not be held responsible for any injuries that may occur during the tryout process.

**I accept and understand that the decisions of the judges/coaches will be final.**

Candidate Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Information Sheet  
Creekside High School Varsity Dance Team  
2020-2021



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Grade level (Check one):**

8th Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dance Information:**

How many years have you danced? \_\_\_\_\_

Where have you danced? (Check all that apply)

Studio (Years of Participation): \_\_\_\_\_

Dance Team (Years of Participation): \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

In which styles of dance have you received instruction? \_\_\_\_\_

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**\*\*Please attach a current photo to this page\*\***

**CHS DANCE CONTRACT**  
**Creekside High School Varsity Dance Team**  
**2020-2021**

If selected and I accept a dance team position, I understand I will be required to attend all scheduled practices, performances, competitions, summer camp, sporting events, pep rallies, team meetings, and other functions or duties designated by the head coach. Failure to do so may result in removal from the team.

I have no current health or physical conditions, which would hinder my ability to perform as an CHS Dancer or which might cause performing as an CHS Dancer to be unsafe to my health or the health and well-being of my teammates. The physical demands of being the CHS Dancer require that I maintain a high level of physical fitness and that I pass a complete physical examination **(YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BEGIN PRACTICE WITHOUT THE PHYSICAL FORM TURNED IN.)**

I understand I am agreeing to the full season commitment (2020-2021) on CKDT.

Being a CHS Dancer is a major personal commitment of my non-academic time and cannot be placed secondary to any other non-academic activity. I understand that, with the exception of academics, my commitment to the CHS Dance Program takes FIRST priority over all other activities (clubs, organizations, work, etc.) unless prior approval has been granted. Furthermore, I understand that last minute appearances/events may arise in which the dancer must be present (playoff games etc.).

The CHS Dancers play an important role in representing the school and its athletic program. As such, I will always know that I am an official representative of Creekside High School, its students, faculty, staff, alumni, and dance program. I will always conduct myself in a manner to uphold that character, tradition, integrity, and spirit of Creekside High School.

If I quit or am removed from the squad at any point in the season, I will become ineligible of trying out for the following season (2021-2022). I agree to follow any rules the coach sets and understand that any disobedience or problems can result in the removal from the team.

I agree to follow all safety guidelines deemed necessary by the head coach.

I understand that I or my parents must maintain an email account and check it for any information regarding dance. Failure to check for information will not be used as an excuse.

I understand that dance is a team sport. My position on this team is not guaranteed and I may be removed from the routine or the team at any point by the coach's discretion. My position on the team may change throughout the season to best fit the team's needs.

If I do have any concerns throughout the season, I must present these concerns to the head coach immediately. I will share any concerns with the dance program to the head coach first and allow the coach to recognize and address my concerns.

I understand and accept that failure to meet any of the requirements listed above will result in my disqualification from consideration for a CHS dance team.



**Summer Practices Form  
Creekside High School Varsity Dance Team  
2020 – 2021**

**Summer Dates:**

**Youth Camps:** June 1-4(elementary) and June 8-11(middle school)

**NDA Camp:** July 26th- July 29th

**Pre-Season Practice:** August 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>

**Summer Fundraiser:** TBD

Team members must attend at least 1 full week (4 days) of Youth Camps. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Team members must attend NDA Camp. Not attending will result in removal from the team. This is an overnight event.

Team members must attend **ALL** scheduled pre-season practices, and may not show up late or leave early unless excused by coach. (Please refer to the “Absences/Tardiness” section of “General Information”)

**Members that make the Dance team need to complete a physical and have it signed by your doctor prior to first day of CAMP.**

**\*\* If a member does not have their physical completed by the day we leave for camp, they will not go to camp and will not be refunded the money. \*\***

**I / We understand and AGREE to ALL of the above terms.**

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

Student Athlete Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Tryout Information**  
**Creekside High School Varsity Dance Team**  
**2020-2021**

**Attire for Tryouts (INCLUDING tryout week):**

Bottoms: Black leggings

Top: Black shirt (tank or razorback preferred)

Shoes: Jazz shoes or Sneakers

Hair: Hair in Low, secured, bun

Make-up: should be applied tastefully as if for “evening” (somewhere in-between stage make-up and day make-up).

\*No Midriffs or Shorts. No Jewelry.

Males: may wear warm-up pants or shorts and a T-shirt or athletic style undershirt. Must be all black attire.

**\*Showing up ON TIME in the PROPER ATTIRE is very important.**

All tryout material will be taught during the tryout clinic on April 20-22, This material will then be performed during the judged tryout on April 23. Both the tryout clinic and judged tryouts are closed.

**Scheduling Conflicts**

If you have a conflict with the tryout dates listed, or, if you are a candidate from out of town, please contact Coach Williamson for a video audition.

**TEAM PLACEMENT**

The 2020-2021 team placement will be available Friday, April 24. Team placement will be final.

**New Team members will have their first practice on May 4, 2020 4:30-6pm.**  
**New Team parents meeting will be the same day starting at 6:15pm.**

## **General Information**

### **Absences/ Tardiness**

Dance Team is not an individual sport. When a Dance Team member is absent or arrives late, it affects the whole team. When just one person is missing a routine cannot be performed. Every person who is a part of the 2020-2021 CHS Varsity Dance Team will play an important role on the team. It is important that every dancer be committed to attend practices, games, and events and to arrive on time!

It is understandable if an athlete participates in multiple activities and cannot make it to every dance function due to a conflict in schedules. A dance team member will NOT be punished due to participating in other school functions, however if the dancer does miss a practice before an event the dancer may not be able to perform during the routine at that event due to a lack of preparedness.

Every absence must be PREVIOUSLY approved by the head coach in order for it to be excused (even for school functions). A team member MUST let the coach know ASAP if they do have a conflict with the schedule in order for the coach to excuse it. Telling the coach the day of/ day before a conflict in the schedule will not be accepted. Attendance to a dance event without proper shoes, clothes, or uniform will be considered an absence. Unless otherwise approved, illness or extreme emergencies are the only valid reasons for missing dance.

\*If the majority of the team is late to an event due to some unforeseen event, it is understandable and will not result in what is stated above.

### **Practices**

Practices are mandatory for dance team member to attend (See above for rules regarding absences). Dance team members are NEVER allowed to stunt or tumble unless under the supervision of a coach. Team members are expected to be completely ready to start practice on time, in their proper practice wear, with hair up and completely out of their faces. Practices can be changed, dropped, or added throughout the season so please check updated practice schedules.

### **Games**

All games are mandatory for dance team members to attend (see above for rules regarding absences). Dance members will dance at all regular season Varsity Football and Varsity Basketball games. If the teams make it to playoffs, dancers are expected to dance at games within a reasonable distance. Dancers are expected to arrive on time, in the correct attire, with hair properly styled, with poms, ready to warm up for games. Please take into account traffic when estimating travel time for a game in order to arrive on time.

### **Uniforms**

It is extremely important that every CHS dance team member remember that, when wearing their uniform, they are not only representing themselves but representing the school as a whole. Uniforms are only to be worn by the CHS dance team and are not to be loaned out

to others. Uniforms should only be worn on game days, rally day, etc. and should not be worn unless otherwise stated. Uniforms should be properly taken care of and kept clean. It is dancer's/ parent's responsibility to purchase clothing that will not be returned (tennis shoes, leggings, T-shirts, anything with dancers name on it, etc.).

### **Outside Competitive Teams:**

Participating on an outside competitive dance team is permitted while on CKDT. It is understood that as a member of this team, CKDT is top priority. Taking outside dance classes is also permitted (and encouraged) as long as they do not conflict with the CKDT schedule.

### **Financial Commitment:**

Dance is EXPENSIVE!!! Please tryout only if you know that you can afford the financial commitment that goes with the program. We will fundraise as much as possible to keep these costs down, but be aware that you will make payments throughout the year and fundraisers are not guaranteed money.

Your Payment for NDA Camp will be due at the first parent meeting on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Camp Costs: Includes lodging, meals, instruction, and registration.

\$450 – Check made out to Creekside Dance Team

\$30 cash- pays for breakfast for the week of camp

Camp/Practice gear will also need to be purchased prior to camp.

Other monetary commitments throughout the year include competitions, hotel stays, travel, end of year banquet, team bonding activities, choreography, and practice space. These fees can be alleviated by fundraising, but will have to be covered by families if not enough is raised.

**Teacher/ Coach Evaluation Form  
Creekside High School Varsity Dance Team  
2020-2021**

\*Dance Team candidates must provide this form **with an envelope sealed** to two current teachers/ coaches. Please note that the participant will need two (2) of these forms completed by 2 different teachers/ coaches.

Dance Team Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Teachers/ Coaches: It is the mission of the dancing program at Creekside High School to select athletes that exemplify the highest moral, academic, and athletic standards. We thank you for taking the time to provide an honest evaluation of this candidate. Please place this evaluation in a signed and sealed envelope (that should have been provided by the candidate).

Rating Scale:

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|---|--|
| <b>5 – Excellent, outstanding</b>         | <b>2 – Fair, needs a lot of work, definitely lacking</b> |
| <b>4 – Very good, superior</b>            | <b>1 – Poor, inadequate, totally unacceptable</b>        |
| <b>3 – Average, good, could be better</b> | <b>0 - Unattempted</b>                                   |

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|-------------|--|
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Attendance (skips class, tardy, number of absences)                  |
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Capability of leadership   |
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Dependable and responsible   |
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Self-discipline and motivation                                       |
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | General attitude and disposition                                     |
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Ability to accept constructive criticism                             |
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Ability to work well in groups and with a variety of students        |
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Good representative for CHS  |
| 0 1 2 3 4 5 | Appearance (dress/hair appropriate, follows school dress code, etc.) |

\_\_\_\_\_/ 45 points possible

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Parent Behavioral Contract**

These are the expectations for parents of the program. All parents are expected to act appropriately and responsibly. By signing this contract you are agreeing, understanding, and acknowledging each part. Parents must obey the contract and coaches have the ability to deliver consequences if any of the below are not followed. Consequences will be delivered on an individual basis based on the discretion of the coach. Consequences may impact both dance team member and parent.

Practices, games, and school events/ performances are ALL mandatory for the dance team member to attend. Do not make appointments or call your child out of practices, games, or events. Appointments need to be made around dance.

An unexcused absence is NOT acceptable and will result in the dance team member sitting out of the next dance event. This means that the dancer must attend the event, but may not participate.

Attendance to a dance event without proper shoes, clothes, uniform, or hair not put up will be considered absences.

When at dance events, dance team members are required to be with the team. Dancers are not to sit with parents, friends, etc. unless the coach has given permission (ie: during halftime). Parents are not allowed to come out onto the field, sit with the team, or take the dance team member away from the team (unless previously discussed and approved by the coach).

While dancing your child, please respect other spectators and remember to have the upmost respect for coaches, officials, and other spirit teams. You are representing CHS, dance, and your child. No Parent will taunt any member of the opposing team. No dirty looks, chanting, yelling, dancing, or confronting member from the other team (parents, coaches, athletes, or students).

Parents will act respectfully to coaches at all times. Any concerns must be discussed directly with coaches immediately.

Dance team members must behave appropriately while in and out of uniform, along with on social media. Dance Team represents CHS whether in uniform or not. Team members must only use appropriate language in text messages and on social media. All photos that are posted must be appropriate. Any member that does not represent the dance team program/school appropriately may be removed from the squad immediately. Please understand that your child is representing the school when choosing to step into the role of a dance team member.

Dance Team is a team sport. A dance team member's position on the team is not guaranteed. A squad member may be removed from the team at any point in the season by the coach's discretion. A dancer's position on the team may change throughout the season to best fit the team's need. Dance team is not an individual sport. When a dance team member is absent or arrives late, it affects the whole team. Every person who is a part of the 2020-2021 CHS Varsity Dance Team will play an important role on the team. It is important that every dance team member be committed to attend practices, games, and events and to arrive on time! It is understandable if an athlete participates in other school activities and cannot make it to every dance function due to a conflict in sports schedules. A dancer will NOT be punished due to participating in other school functions, however if the dancer does miss a practice before an event you may not be able to perform during the routine at that event due to it being a safety issue. Every absence MUST be previously approved by the head coach in order for it to be excused (even for school functions). A team member MUST let the coach know ASAP if they do have a conflict with the schedule in order for the coach to excuse it. Telling the coach the day of/ day before a conflict in the schedule will not be accepted. Dance Team members are not to leave events/ practices early, or arrive late. If a dance leader leaves an event/ practice early without it previously being excused, it will be counted as an absence. Arriving on time is extremely important in dance. An athlete that is removed from the team or that quits will be ineligible to tryout for the following season (2021/2022).

Parents MUST refrain from gossip/talk/ and venting about issues regarding dance, dance leaders, coaches, or situations with the program. Coaches are very approachable and are very willing to hear your concerns. Please follow the rules of communication when addressing issues.



I hereby understand that as a parent of CHS Dance Team member, I am here to support my athlete, the coach, and the program as a whole. If I represent the program poorly or break the above contract, the coaches have the right to dismiss myself and my dancer from participation. This is to be a positive experience for the coaches, student athletes, and other parents involved, and I will respect all decisions made by coaches.

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_