



**Clear Creek Cavalier
Handbook
2018-2019**

Miscellaneous Parent **Information**

- Booster Club information
- CCISD Constitution
- Parent Support
- Going on Trips
- Fundraising

2018 – 2019 Booster Club Officers

President	Tori Lococo
Vice President	Kim Martin
Secretary	April Bivens
Treasurer	Robin Davis
Ways & Means	Janelle Leistad, Amber Wells, Melanie Younger
Prop Pop	Rob Martin
Parliamentarian	Julie Hall

Go to.....

www.creekcavaliers.com

for more information!

At all Cavalier events, please feel free to submit any digital pictures you take at each event to the website per Tori Lococo.

Your new-new Liaison Parent is Angie Huerta.

Feel free to call her with any questions you may have.

About the Constitution

The Clear Creek Cavaliers, Clear Brook Celebrities, Clear Lake Flairs and Clear Springs Silverados are governed by the Clear Creek ISD Dance Team Constitution. Activities and behavior are addressed within these documents.

All Cavaliers and their parents are expected be aware of the contents of these documents. You received copies with your tryout packet.

The CCISD Dance Team Constitution has been revised as of 10/2017. Along with this document, each organization throughout the district will be putting in writing their individual rules and expectations for their teams respectively.

How Can We Support the Team?

- Realize that "we" are all part of the TEAM and that sometimes the good of the team comes before the individual
- Understand why we are doing all of this (for our daughters)
- At games (football and basketball) all parents try to sit together wearing their parent Cavalier Spirit wear
- Participate as parents; be informed, be open to communicating about problems
- Join the Cavalier Booster Club and volunteer/participate in fundraisers
- Attend all booster club meetings to stay informed of all events as well as any last minute changes
 - * It is very important to attend the September meeting as opportunities will be presented to volunteer at all Cavalier events.
 - * Please understand that at these meetings are where decisions that affect the entire team are made. If you do not attend, you do not have a say in these decisions.
- Parents - get involved early, both Dads and Moms
- Invite and involve Fathers/Brothers/Uncles/Brothers/Boyfriends...major volunteer opportunities for all to include game security, water transportation for games, car washes and all props.

Parent “DON’T” List

- ★ Don't live your life through your child
- ★ Don't lose your cool
- ★ Don't interfere with problems the girls have with each other
- ★ Don't take over their responsibilities
- ★ Don't fuss or nag
- ★ Don't make mountains out of mole hills
- ★ Don't feed their dissatisfaction
- ★ Don't criticize your child
- ★ Don't put too much pressure on them
- ★ Don't forget the life lessons your daughter is getting out of this experience
- ★ Don't expect your child to be an exception
- ★ Don't talk to other drill team parents about negatives- don't gossip
- ★ Don't criticize the organization to others
- ★ Don't go to the principal with problems, talk to the director first
- ★ Don't be the problem - be the solution
- ★ Don't be afraid to ask or talk with the director
- ★ Don't "fuel the fire"
- ★ Don't forget that your Cavalier is a teenager - please take what they have to say with a grain of salt
- ★ Don't expect the director to not push them EVERYDAY!

Parent "DO" List

- ★ Do praise and appreciate their hard work, time, energy, loyalty and dedication
- ★ Do provide nutritious meals on game days
- ★ Do understand and let them feel what they feel, even when they are angry or depressed
- ★ Do support the team, officers, Director and the Booster Club Officers
- ★ Do be happy with what your daughter is trying to accomplish
- ★ Do be there when she needs you
- ★ Do help with little things when you can
- ★ Do let her be responsible for getting herself up, dressed and to practice
- ★ Do maintain a positive attitude
- ★ Do affirm what she is doing
- ★ Do encourage her to keep up her grades
- ★ Do go to the Director or the Booster Club Officers if you have a problem
- ★ Do understand that all decisions are made with the team's best interest in mind, not an individual
- ★ Do stop gossip by not being a part of it
- ★ Do get along with other parents, remember that your Cavalier will follow the path that you set
- ★ Do pick your battles, remember that this is a team and you may not agree with every decision that is made

Forms Required For School Sponsored **Trips**

The forms will be required for selected travel situations during the school / performance year. This should avoid the situation where school policy is disregarded because someone forgot to pick up the required form.

Please be sure to coordinate the submission of the required forms with the Cavalier director. These were turned in at the first team meeting.

The Emergency Medical Information sheet must be kept accurate and complete throughout the school / performance year. Please submit changes to the Cavalier director as soon as they occur. This is for the safety of every Cavalier and for the peace of mind of their loving parents.

Chaperones: Expectations and Guidelines

Cavalier Chaperone Expectations and Guidelines:

1. The chaperones will travel with the team and at all times keep the same itinerary.
2. The chaperones will make wake-up calls for every room of their responsibilities to ensure all are ready for the day's activities.
3. The chaperones will assist in room checks at night.
4. The chaperones will be responsible for arranging a meeting time and place to return when the girls have some free time. Additionally, the girls must stay in groups of four when they have their free time.
5. Every time the girls meet after free time or to load the bus, the chaperones will call roll. Upon calling roll, the chaperones will let the director know who is late or not in the group.
6. If a girl needs to leave her room after curfew, a chaperone will accompany the Cavalier.
7. If any discipline problems occur, the chaperone is to tell the director.
8. Chaperones need to be aware of and follow all district rules for students regarding trips.

If you are not willing to accept these responsibilities, please do not volunteer to chaperone. Chaperones not following these duties will not be allowed to chaperone again. Chaperones are selected at the discretion of the director according to the needs of the team.

Trip Guidelines

All Cavaliers and Parents should be aware of the following rules. Cavaliers are expected to follow them whenever traveling with the team.

You are to:

1. Report on time to all designated meeting places.
2. Remain in assigned rooms and on assigned buses. You are not to change for any reason.
3. Stay in groups of at least 4 during free time and always have a buddy anywhere in the hotel, restaurant and restrooms.
4. Never leave the group unless released by the director. When we are getting ready to dance we do not want to have to look for you: therefore, you need to hear all directions.
5. Remain in the hotel room after room check. Do not leave or open the door for anyone (other than a Cavalier Chaperone) or for any reason - this includes pizza delivery, room service or other hotel services. If you need something, call a chaperone and they will assist you.
6. Lock your hotel door at all times, do not prop the door open.
7. Never be alone in the company of a male. This is time to be with Cavaliers - not the time to find a boyfriend.
8. Respect and listen to your chaperones.

Available Fundraisers

During the course of the year there will be a series of fundraisers for the Cavaliers. The money that is raised is used to defray the costs of trips, goodies and costumes.

Participation in these fundraisers is not mandatory, due to UIL rules, but 100% participation is necessary if the team is to achieve their goals. All the girls will be asked to contribute to the team by fundraising.

If we cannot meet our budget by fundraising, parents will be asked to help pay for costumes.

Some of the fundraisers held during the year may include:

- Sponsorships
- A product sale to be determined at a later date - in Fall
- Spring Show - including sales of ads, both business and personal for the show program
- Flower sales for the Spring Show
- Car Washes - generally organized by the Social Committee
- Kroger Share Card fundraiser. This is a year round fundraiser that is as simple as shopping at Kroger and using the card
- Randall's Remarkable Card #8147. Have your card updated with this number to benefit Cavaliers. They receive a percentage of all purchases.
- Parent Night Outs- Fall and Spring

The Football Booster Club has a fundraiser every year which include ads from the Cavaliers.

Cavalier “Totem Pole” of Authority

Director

Managers

Officers

Social Committee

Seniors

Juniors

Sophomores

New News

Summer

- **Summer Practice**
- **Line Camp Information**
- **Required Summer Hours**

Summer Practice

Summer practice sessions start a couple weeks prior to the first day of school. This schedule is released in April every year. This schedule gives the first day of school in the fall and this date dictates when the Cavalier summer practices start. They will learn all football routines.

Summer Line Camp

CROWD PLEASERS DANCE COMPANY

July 25-27, 2018

New Braunfels, TX

\$350.00 (includes lodging, meals, dance instruction, and ropes course)

At camp we will be learning routines, dance technique, teamwork and unity. Line camp is MANDATORY but if there is any reason a member cannot attend they will not be eligible to dance the first two football games.

Friendswood Jazz Camp- TBA

Not Required for line

Required for Jazz Company

What to Bring to Summer Camp

Clothing: Bring ALL Cavalier attire!! One piece swimsuit or two piece with a shirt as a cover up.

Toiletries:

Shampoo and conditioner
Soap / Facial Soap
Razors and Shaving Cream
Deodorant
Lotion
Tooth Brush and Tooth Paste
Hair Brush / Comb / Pick
Hot Curler / Rollers / Curling Iron / Blow Dryer
Hair Spray / Gel / Mousse
Q-tips and Kleenex
Nail Polish Remover and Nail File
Clear Nail Polish (for runs in football tights)
Band-Aids
Aspirin or any needed medication
Contact Lens materials
Bobby Pins and Safety Pins

Food:

Healthy Food
Anything that makes you happy

Miscellaneous:

No Jewelry
Phone
Money
Water Jug
Maroon Cavalier Bag

Make-Up:

Powder
Base
Eye Liner
Eye Shadow
Mascara
Blush
Compact
Small mirror for Cavalier Bag
Cavalier Make-Up
Lip Gloss or Chapstick
Make-Up Remover

Lots of:

Pony Tail Holders
Barrettes
Bobby Pins and Safety Pins

What goes in Cavalier Bag each day at Camp:

Make-Up
ALL cover-ups
Hair brush/comb/pick
Hair spray
Small mirror
Safety and bobby pins

You will not have your phone with you during the day at camp. Phones will be locked up in your room. Officers will have phones in case of emergency. This is time to bond with your teammates not your outside friends.

Be sure to fill your water bottle each day! You'll need it!!

2018-19 Cavalier Dance Team Recommended Summer Dance Hours

In order to keep striving for excellence, I ask that during the summer the Cavaliers do take some hours of dance. The hours that are asked vary by group but are mandatory.

Cavalier Dance Team Members:

- 15 Hours

Cavalier Dance Team Jazz Co:

- 25 Hours

Cavalier Dance Team Officers:

- 30 Hours

Football Season

- **Football Performances**
- **Game Day Checklist and Procedures**
- **Uniforms**
- **Uniform Contract**
- **Big and Little Sisters**
- **Dance Clinic**

Football Game Performances

The Cavaliers perform at all football games, both home and away. The routines are performed during halftime and the marching band will provide their music. The team will wear their complete field uniforms, unless otherwise stated by the director. The field uniform should never be worn in public places, except for performances. Eating while in uniform is not allowed, unless given permission from the director. The team will ride the bus to away games and will either be responsible for transportation for the home (Veterans) games or transportation will be provided for away home games.

The team will learn the routines and tryouts will be held each week. Being a Cavalier does not mean that you will automatically be in each dance. You must earn the privilege each week.

The team also will perform stand dances, accompanied by the band. These are taught during the summer practices.

At halftime each week, the Girl of the Week and Sprit Girl of the Week will be announced. These awards are given each week to one Cavalier per award.

On game day, the girls will wear Cavalier attire. This shall be determined by the Director, and be in accordance with school dress code.

Game Day Checklist:

(Things to keep in Cavalier Bag)

- Mirror
- Make-Up
- Poms
- Water Bottle
- Rain Jacket
- Hat Cover
- Hair Spray

You must have your complete uniform **ON** before you arrive and REMEMBER:

- **NO** nail polish, **NO** jewelry
- Full make-up
- Hair curled or Straight (Director's discretion)

NOTE FOR PARENTS AND CAVALIERS: Be sure you are not late for the games. Please allow extra time for traffic problems. We don't want anyone rushing or being reckless - just be there safe and on time!

Things to Keep in Cavalier Bag

- ★ Makeup
- ★ Mirror
- ★ Poms
- ★ Soco Gift Noise Makers
- ★ Bug Spray
- ★ Bobby Pins
- ★ Safety Pins
- ★ Pony Tail Holders/ Barrettes
- ★ Water Bottle
- ★ Rain Jacket
- ★ Sweat Towel (optional)

Football Game Procedures

1. All games are mandatory and attendance is required for the ENTIRE game.
2. You must ride the bus to and from every away game. A signed Alternative Travel form can be filled out and turned into Ms. Wood the Monday before the game in order for you to ride home with your parents from the game with Director permission. **NO UNDESSING ON THE BUS!!!**
3. You must arrive in full uniform and depart in full uniform with the exception of your hat. Failure to wear the uniform properly will result in dismissal from the game.
4. You must change out of your uniform before you go out anywhere in public.
5. Hair must be down and fixed.
6. You are only allowed to wear natural colored make-up and dark red lipstick. Your make-up must be applied heavily.
7. No friends / family may sit or visit with you while you are in the stands.
8. Only CURRENT Cavaliers are permitted to sit in our section. During 3rd quarter Cavalier Alumni may visit with you, but only at this time.
9. You must stay in your assigned seat facing forward with your legs together.
10. You will be permitted to have a bottle of water in your bag. Because of extreme Texas heat, you may take a drink when you feel necessary.
11. You will only touch up your makeup when instructed by the captain.
12. You may not walk around while on break, or go up into the stands.
13. You are not to move, talk, or laugh during the National Anthem.
14. Make sure your ride is ready to pick you up at the end of the game.
15. Follow all bus rules.
16. You are always in performance mode while at a football game – Chins up and Smiles on!!!!
17. Keep your eyes on the Captain for any commands or announcements.
18. Be proud of yourself and the Cavaliers and remember to have fun.

How will the Football Games GO?

- ★ Report to Cavalier Room at report time - Ready To Go!!!
- ★ Meet in squads directly when you report to room. Officers will do a bag and make-up check
- ★ Meet in Pep Rally Order for announcements and gift exchanges.
- ★ Last check for make-up and hair.
- ★ Proceed in order to the football stands.
- ★ File into stands.
- ★ Captain will 'sit' you.
- ★ Get poms out and get ready for Victory Lines.
- ★ Captain will 'stand' you.
- ★ File out of stands - create Victory Lines on as you walk under stands
- ★ Victory Lines:
 - Captain's Choreography
 - School Song
 - Fight Song
 - National Anthem
- ★ Back to stands
- ★ GOTW/SGOTW Announcement
- ★ IF WE ARE HOME:
 - We will perform second.
 - We will release from the stands to go practice and stretch.
 - We will wait on the side lines **at attention** as the Visitor band and drill team perform
 - We will stand **at attention** as the Creek band performs
 - Our entrance - "That's Entertainment"
 - Perform Half-time and dazzle the crowd
 - Our exit is the Fight Song: we will create a STRAIGHT LINE on the side lines and exit according to the officers

★ IF WE ARE AWAY:

- We will perform first.
- Same procedures as above only after we perform we will create a single file line on the outside goal lines of a designated side. You will wait their as the Home team performs. After the performance the officers will move you back into the stands.
- ★ After your halftime performance - remember the “Touch me not” Rule – even Dads!!!
- ★ You are to report back into the stands when the clock has 8 minutes remaining - DO NOT BE LATE! Demerits will be issued to those who are late and I will take away time for the next game.
- ★ Remember that you are on a constant show! Always smile and keep legs crossed at all times. You are ladies!!!
- ★ There is no slouching in the stands in your seats. You will get one warning and then you will lose your stadium seat. Remember to sit like a lady!
- ★ PAY ATTENTION TO THE GAME – remember we are there to support our team so be loud for them!!!

Post Football Game Checklist

- Check your field uniform and clean it if necessary - don't wait till Game day to see if it's clean!
- Clean your boots.
- Check your gauntlets and belt. Clean if needed.
- Check your hat - clean it and / or have it reshaped before Game day.
- Take off hat cover unless practicing outside. This will help keep your hat in proper shape.
- Empty your Cavalier bag and restock supplies that are low.
- Put your rain coat and other supplies in a designated spot - you will save time next Game day not having to look for everything!

Cavalier Uniforms

Field Uniform

Supplied by the school

Field Leotard
Shirt
Sleeves
Overlay
Leather Belt
Gauntlets (2)

Not supplied by the school

Hat
Boots
Field Tights (no underwear)

When you are in public and in uniform, you must wear the complete uniform including hat. Hat and boots must be clean. No runs in tights. Make-up must be worn for every performance. NO eating in field uniform unless by special permission of the director. No jewelry or nail polish. No glitter or stickers unless worn by the whole team. Hair must be curled or flat ironed.

Care of Field Uniform

The leotard, skirt, and long sleeves are hand washable with mild detergent (for example Ivory liquid). Turn leotard inside out and zip before washing. Soak gently, rinse well and hang to dry. Please do not dry clean, this will affect the sequins.

Hats can be freshened by sprinkling with baby powder and using white or light colored brush or finger nail file to remove powder and light dirt. A more thorough cleaning and shaping can be done by Cavender's Boot City (281-338-4040) located on 1-45 frontage road in front of Cinemark 18. (South of NASA Rd. 1). The charge is usually around \$5.00.

Uniform

Each new Cavalier must purchase a new hat, and boots to wear during performances. It is very helpful to have a spare hat and an extra pair of boots for football practice. During football season, the team will practice outside, and it is very difficult to keep both your new hat and boots in shape for the performances.

Tips for Attire Ordering:

Jazz Shoes - Recommend going to Backstage Dance Wear on Hwy 3 and try on shoes for proper sizing since these shoes run small.

Hats - Your daughter's head will be measured by the Director and/or another past Cavalier parent. The hat will be snug when first worn but will eventually be custom fitted to their head.

It is recommended (although not required) when placing the attire order to order extras of some items - football tights, sports bras, turners...

MAKE-UP:

Each Cavalier will be required to wear make-up during each performance/event. Each Cavalier will need to have a smokey eye, bright blush, eye liner, mascara, face powder and lipstick.

Big and Little Sister Gifts

One of the special times for Cavaliers is the exchange of Big and Little Sister gifts. Each new Cavalier will be paired with an older Cavalier for the next year. The girls will discover who their big sister is at a designated time. The girls will encourage their Big or Little Sister with notes, cards, fun drawings, and small gifts at games. Times to give gifts are usually the 1st football game, Homecoming, Lake Football game, Lake Basketball game, Saturday night of Spring Show, Holidays and Birthdays. Gifts should not exceed \$10.00.

Here are a few ideas for new Cavaliers and their parents but let your imagination run. Many of the best gifts do not cost a great deal of money but are hand-made and very special to the Cavalier receiving it.

Popular gifts:

James Avery Kicker Charm / Big or Little Sister Charm (over \$10.00 and usually reserved for homecoming or a special gift)

Gift Cards anywhere (Starbucks, Mall, etc.)

Flowers, always a great gift

Balloons

Candy in fun containers, personalized with a marker

Anything from Bath and Body Works (or similar store)

Dollar Store fun stuff

Picture Frames

Candles

Cookie Cake

Cards can be purchased, computer generated or made by hand. Some of the best cards are done with markers on plain paper. It is not the card that counts but what it says.

Also, birthdays can be remembered with a card, handmade or bought. Keep in mind that the idea is encouragement and not expense. Hope this helps.

Cavalier Dance Clinic

What is expected of me??? never let a camper go ANYWHERE alone (use the buddy system), talk with the campers - not each other, make them feel comfortable! Look out for the safety of all campers, follow schedule, have a great time! Find sound systems in the dance room & return them at the end of the day.

Basketball Season

Basketball Game Performances

The Cavaliers will perform at selected home basketball games. The director will provide the schedule of performances, when basketball season begins.

During basketball games halftime, Cavalier Contest dances will be performed. Those girls that are not in performances are still required to be at the games and support the basketball team and the Cavaliers.

On game day, the girls will wear the Cavalier attire. This shall be determined by the Director in accordance with school dress code.

Some basketball games are on school nights. The girls should plan ahead for homework/studying.

The schedules for the basketball games will be handed out closer to basketball season.

Competition Season

- **Competition Rules**
- **Solo and Ensemble information**

Competitions

The Cavaliers are a highly competitive organization. The team will compete in three contests, as selected by the director, each year. These contests will happen between the months of December and March. Selections for each contest dance will happen through audition. Each Cavalier will be selected to dance in at least one contest routine. As stated in the constitution, all these events are mandatory. If there is a financial situation this will be addressed on an individual basis. Attendance to all contests is required. Financial expenses are not an excuse.

The team will compete in 3 to 4 categories. The officers will compete in 3 categories. The jazz company will compete in 1 ensemble. Any Cavalier who wishes will be permitted to compete in a solo, duet or ensemble. Any extra dance taken on by a Cavalier must be approved by the director, but is the sole responsibility of the Cavalier.

Competition season can be a very stressful time, but all the hard work is rewarded when we come home with trophies, the symbol of success and achievement.

CAVALIER CONTEST RULES

1. We will use the buddy system when going anywhere during the contest.
2. We must wear cover-up at all times, except in dressing room.
3. We will pay attention/abide to all posted school and contest rules.
4. We will be completely ready in dressing room at least 1 ½ hours prior to posted performance time, times will be posted in dressing room. Pay attention - no excuse is excusable. If you are not ready you will not dance!
5. We will not enter any performance areas during a performance.
6. We will show the utmost respect and showmanship towards all teams and spectators, you are under a very watchful eye!!!
7. We will sit as a team in 1 circle, knee to knee during the awards ceremony.
8. We will clap for every winner in our categories. We must show good sportsmanship!
9. At the end of the night, New News are responsible for making sure that our dressing room is left the way we found it.

10. Contests are a time for team bonding and displaying pride in our school. This is not a time to meet new boys and chit-chat. Remember your task at hand.
11. Create memories with your team. These are the times you will remember most.
12. Do not eat or drink while in costume. You are monetarily responsible for any damage to any costume.
13. You are not to be seen on your phone. Your cell phone should only be used in emergencies or in order to contact your spectators.
14. Remember that you are an ambassador of the Cavaliers and Clear Creek High School, everything you say and do will represent us!!!

Cavalier Banquet

Cavalier Banquet

The Cavaliers have a banquet at the end of each year. This banquet is planned by the Social Committee and parents. All Cavaliers are invited to attend. The Cavaliers may bring their parents, if they choose. All Cavaliers are responsible for purchasing their own ticket to this event. The cost of the Banquet will vary each year depending on location, numbers and food selection.

Cavalier Spring Awards

At the Cavalier banquet many awards are given out. There are eight types of awards given.

These awards are voted on by the whole team:

- Outstanding Squad Member
- Outstanding Sophomore
- Outstanding Junior
- Outstanding Senior
- Most Improved
- Outstanding Technique

- Liz Breslin Award

- Mary Lou Johnson Award

Spring Show

- **Information**
- **Purchasing Ads**

Spring Show

The Spring Show is a recital performance for the Cavaliers. It is usually staged in April or May, with performances Friday night and Saturday day and night.

This show is a full costume performance and will be the culmination of a full year of hard work. The show will contain many dances. Also the team will learn dances during their class time that will be performed at Spring Show.

Other clubs/organizations may perform between the dances. This will allow more time for costume changes.

One of our fundraisers is the selling of ads, both personal and businesses, for the Spring Show program. We will also make money from the ticket and flower sales. It is very important to participate in the fundraisers, because costumes are expensive.

Spring Show Ad Information and Guidelines

SPRING SHOW is the biggest fundraiser and the largest expense for the Cavaliers.

A program is compiled for the show incorporating advertising for businesses and personal ads for the Cavaliers.

In years past, a new-new ad, sophomore, Junior and Senior group ads are placed in the Spring Show Program. It is also encouraged to place an individual as well. After first year on team, it is also encouraged to place a 'new-new no more' group ad in this program.

All early efforts to sell ads for this event help to offset the cost of printing the program and budgeting for other necessary expenses for the following year. More businesses contacted, more ads obtained, more money is raised for the team.

Businesses such as restaurants, hair/nail salons, dentists, orthodontists, insurance agencies, real estate agents, and any business contacts are a good place to start. Most businesses are willing to lend their support if you ask them and taking a program from the previous year helps sell ads visually.

Templates and order forms of the different sized ads will be given to all the team members.

All ads are to be completed and turned in at a specified due date.

Ad Types

BUSINESS ADS:

- Business cards are accepted. Dark backgrounds do NOT reproduce well unless the printing is in white.
- Businesses may design their own ad.
- You may design the ad based on what the business has requested.
- ADS MUST BE CAMERA READY when turned in or special instructions given to program chairperson.
- Ads must be proportioned to fit in the space purchased.

PERSONAL ADS:

- May be placed in the program by Family Members, Friends, and Cavaliers. Ads maybe placed for anyone on the team for example Big Sis to Little Sis, Cavalier to Cavalier, etc.
- Photographs **must be an original** for scanning purposes **OR excellent** photographic quality copy.
- Ads must be proportioned to fit space purchased; full page ads must have a ½ inch margin allowance.
- Dark backgrounds on photographs WILL NOT reproduce a quality print.

Thank You for your help and support.

Cavalier Managers

Cavalier Managers

The Cavalier Managers are an extension of the director. The Managers are selected through an application process with the director. The managers are responsible for several things. They... file paper work, take inventory, bring necessities to the girls, take care of first aid, and are basically the director's assistant. On the "totem pole" of authority the managers are below the director and before the officers.

Cavalier Officers

- **Role of the Officers**
- **Officer Try-Outs**
- **Officer Camp**

The Role of the Officers

- Honesty and Integrity are the most powerful and sought after leadership qualities in an organization. NEVER forget this.
- Initiate positive, consistent and quality leadership
- Know that you command respect, not demand respect. It does not come automatically with the authority and title.
- As a rule, always follow "Drill Team" time. Be at least 10 minutes early to practices, performances, and events
- Teaching and perfecting dance techniques
- Represent the Cavaliers properly at all times
- Be helpful and considerate- always
- Choreography- you are the leader
- Enforce the Cavalier Conduct rules fairly and justly
- Accept criticism - don't take it personally, it goes with the job
- Present an united front to the team- settle officer differences in private
- Don't question the Director in front of anyone. Wait until you are in a private moment with her.
- Give positive feedback to the team, along with corrections.
- Set a positive example with everything you do, both on and off the field
- You will make decisions on behalf of the team and this will not always make everyone happy
- Don't abuse your power
- Remember people are always judging and watching you
- Your attitude affects the morale of the team
- Don't show favoritism
- Make sure you practice your routines and be prepared to teach

Officer Tryouts

Any Cavalier who has been an active member and will be a Junior or Senior, is passing all subjects in the end of the grading period prior to the tryout, has no conduct lower than "S" in the grading period prior to the tryout and has met all deadlines set by the director may tryout. Officer size and duties will change from year to year.

Along with the honor of being an officer comes a lot of hard work and responsibility. Officers are expected to set a good example in all respects and at all times. Officers keep many long hours and on days even shed some tears. It is not a decision to be taken lightly.

The tryout procedure allows the candidates to show their abilities in leadership, dance and choreography. It is a rewarding process that will help every candidate to know themselves a little better and develop skills for the future.

The positions on the officer line are: Captain, 1st Lt., Sr. Lt., and Jr. Lt. These positions are not set in stone and change each year.

If not selected, remember that not all leaders hold a formal position. Some of the most powerful leaders on a team are mature team members that lead by example.

Suggestions from the team and past officers- about officer tryouts:

- Go in prepared and dress nicely (according to dress code) for interviews
- Start your notebook early and turn in before deadline if possible
- Prepare solo well in advance and do all choreography yourself, pick music and a style that suits you best, make a backup tape, don't ask officers or the director for help
- Think of improving yourself, not beating someone else out
- Be positive, show initiative and responsibility, be organized and committed
- Be sure to sleep and do your homework early
- Don't take negative comments on gossip to the heart
- If you have thought about trying out - tryout
- Don't complain about the results of tryouts
- Tryout because you want to, not because someone wants you to

Summer Officer Camp

CROWD PLEASERS DANCE COMPANY June 4-7, 2018

San Luis Resort

Galveston, TX

Officer camp is mandatory. We will practice the weeks prior to officer camp. This will allow enough time to perfect the officer home routine. This camp, then, will be devoted to learning new routines, dance techniques and most of all, leadership skills to be shared with the rest of the Cavaliers.

Since they are so very important to the growth, the support and the learning process that is the role of the Cavalier, the parents are cordially invited to attend the first evening of the camp and the final morning. Times for these events will be announced while your Cavalier is at camp.

Cavalier Social Committee

- **What is SoCo?**
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What is Social Committee? (SoCo)

Social Committee (SoCo) is a small group of juniors and seniors on Cavaliers. SoCo has many jobs: organizing fundraisers, dances and fun activities for the team, decorating the Cavalier room, supporting the officers, etc. The positions on Social Committee are President, Vice President, New-New Liaison, Secretary, Chaplain, Historian, and Photographer.

These positions are not set in stone and change each year. SoCo members are expected to be outstanding team members as well, by being motivated and keeping others motivated, not talking during practice, always trying their hardest, and supporting the officers and the director.

One of the major parts of Social Committee is planning the Spring Show Lobby. SoCo is a very rewarding job, and it is an essential part of the team.

Role of the Social Committee (SOCO)

- Supporting the Director and Officers
- Initiating positive leadership
- As a rule, always follow "Drill Team" time. Be at least 10 minutes early to practices, performances and events
- Organizing fundraisers, dances and fun activities
- Make a point to have a fun activity/ game each month
- Try to keep your line gifts below the \$3 per person limit
- Always do things in a timely fashion
- Decorating the Cavalier room
- Representing the group properly
- Being helpful and considerate in all areas
- Accept criticism - don't take it personally, it goes with the job
- Keep the team informed of events with plenty of time to buy items
- You should be an example during practice or class
- Be organized
- Having bonding games ready
- Be friendly
- Keep practices serious but fun
- Make sure you follow your specific duty or job title
- Plan Cavalier Banquet

Social Committee Tryouts (SOCO)

Any Cavalier, who has been an active member and will be a junior or senior, may try out for SOCO. To tryout, the applicant must not be receiving any conduct grade lower than "S" in conduct within the grading period prior to the tryout. The applicant must be passing all subjects and must meet all deadlines set by the director.

According to the CCISD Dance Teams Constitution, the selection of Social Committee shall be held on a date designated by the director. The CCISD Constitution also states that the selection criteria will be set by the director and that the director will determine the number, titles and duties of the committee.

The tryout process usually includes the preparation of a notebook, a presentation to the team, a team vote and a judge's vote. The notebook is a creative, organized and neat expression of what you can bring to the team.

The Social Committee may include the offices of President, Vice-President, New-New Liaison, Secretary, Chaplain, Historian and Photographer. Social Committee size and duties will change from year to year.

Clear Creek Cavalier Social Committee

The Social Committee can consists of the following positions, in order of rank and responsibility:

1. President
2. Vice President: Treasurer & Means/Ways
3. New New Liaison
4. Secretary
5. Chaplain
6. Historian
7. Photographer

Social Committee try-outs are held in May. Candidates who are eligible to try-out are:

1. in good standing on the team (a current member not on any probation).
2. Junior or Seniors
3. committed to the team, the try-out process and to one selected position.
4. in compliance with set try-out standards. Candidates must tum in notebooks on time. Late notebooks will forfeit a candidate's try-out.

Current team members will have the opportunity to read over the created notebooks, listen to speeches and presented Team Banquet ideas. Outgoing team members may not vote. The team for the upcoming school year will be eligible to vote.

The SoCo try-out process will be as follows:

1. Candidates will complete a notebook of questions. This notebook must be typed in black ink, 12 point Times New Roman Font. This notebook must contain only the following:
 - Cover Page: Name of Candidate, Desired Position, Current
 - Demerits(Reason for demerits), and photo of candidate
 - Questions and Answers: Questions must be re-typed and answers must directly follow the question. Q&A must be presented on black 12pt Times New Roman Font.
 - Banquet Ideas: This is the only section where color can be used. Each candidate must create: a theme, a location, a menu, a gift idea, invitation and a sample center piece. The centerpiece may be presented to the team, outgoing SoCo and the judge. There is a budget of \$20 for the centerpiece.

2. Speeches: Candidates must prepare a speech not to exceed 5 minutes, containing the following information: What position they are running for?, Why they are the best candidate for the position?, What they will do to better the team bond, and What is their banquet theme? During this speech each candidate will also present their banquet center piece.

3. Interview: Each candidate will interview with the outgoing SoCo members, the director and the judge, whom is selected by the director.

Clear Creek Cavalier Social Committee Position Expectations & Descriptions

All member of SoCo are expected to be an extension of the officer line and the director. It is expected that all SoCo members will always bring a positive attitude to practice and will be the motivators of the team. It is NOT the SoCo's responsibility to discipline in any way.

SoCo is responsible for the elaborate decoration of the auditorium lobby for the annual Spring Show.

SoCo will be responsible for putting on the yearly Cavalier Banquet. It is up to the committee to solidify all the details which go into this magical night.

SoCo will be responsible for planning theme and entertainment of the Mother Daughter Tea at the start of the Cavalier year.

1). President:

- Set/hold monthly meetings
 - Responsible for setting line gift expectations and prices
 - Give their Committee set and known expectations
 - Be responsible for all decisions made by the committee
 - Be responsible for seeing that all duties are followed
 - Oversee all committee members

2). Vice President (Treasurer/Means & Ways):

- Is an extension of the President, their 'right hand man'
- Must keep track of all finances and expenses of the committee
- Is responsible for dressing room bulletin board
- Responsible for calendar

3). New New Liaison:

- Is responsible for 'taking care' of the New News
- Must relay information, provide counsel and aid to any New New who asks
- Is responsible for closing the gap between New News and returning members
- Is responsible for creating New New Handbook
- Creates 'YES' books

4). Secretary:

- Must take notes for all meetings and decisions made by committee
- Must distribute notes to each committee member and director within 3 days of meetings or decisions made
- Is responsible for relaying announcements that need to be made at school to appropriate school administration
- Is responsible for posting information important to the team on bulletin board with approval of director, President and VP
- Will publish a newsletter every nine weeks keeping the team informed on what is going on throughout the school and the organization

5). Chaplain:

- Is responsible for all Birthdays
- Is responsible for 'Quote of the Week' board
- Is responsible for 'Motivational Speech' before each team performance

6). Historians:

- Are responsible for 'Girl of the Week' board
- Are responsible for end of the year scrapbook-work with Photographer
- Are responsible for end of the year slide show-work with Photographer

7). Photographer:

- Are responsible for taking pictures...at all times necessary
- Are responsible for providing Website Administrator with current photos
- Are responsible for end of the year scrapbook-work with Historian
- Are responsible for end of the year slide show-work with Historian

Cavalier Jazz Company

- **Jazz Co Information**
- **Jazz Co Auditions**

Clear Creek Cavalier Jazz Company

Members:

Members may include current Freshman, Sophomore, Junior or Senior Cavaliers. Recently selected New News are eligible to audition.

Numbers:

The Clear Creek Cavalier Jazz Company can have anywhere from 10-15 members, depending on a 'natural break' in scoring.

Selection:

Each prospective member will perform a center floor combination as taught by the outgoing Captain in front of three judges. All prospective members must audition at the date as set by the director. No member will be permitted to audition early or late. All candidates must try-out under the 'same' conditions

Expectations:

Because of the nature of this performing group, it is asked that its members go above what is asked of the line. Although it is not required, taking outside dance is very beneficial to the advancement of the company. Members of the Jazz Company are expected to attend and have knowledge of every practice that is scheduled. Failure to attend a practice **for any reason** will result in immediate removal from the group. All members must remember that although they are in this specialty group, in no way does this organization give them 'rank' or placement over the rest of the line. With Jazz Company does not come seniority. This is strictly a dance related group. Just because you are a member of this group does not mean you are entitled to perform every time. You will earn your spot.

Clear Creek Cavalier Jazz Company

All members of Cavaliers, including recently selected New News, are eligible to audition for the Cavalier Jazz Company. The Jazz Company is strictly a performing group who will compete in one extra dance during contest season and perform at Spring Show.

Jazz Company Audition dates are as follow:

May 7, 2018	4:30pm-6:30pm:	Learn Audition Material
May 10, 2018	5pm-6pm:	Company Auditions
May 11, 2018	8 pm	Post 18-19 Jazz Co. on Cavalier website

Cavalier Academics

- Importance of Grades
- Tutorial Agreement

Dear Cavaliers and Cavalier Parents,

As a member of the Cavalier Dance Team a Cavalier can only be successful in this organization if they are first successful academically. Academics are very important to me and I stress to the Cavaliers often that they are here to primarily get a good education and any extracurricular activities are secondary. With this said I am now implementing a mandatory tutorial program. I am doing this in hopes to bring up each girl's grades and give her extra time to focus on her studies. Listed below are the requirements which must be followed by each Cavalier:

1. Any Cavalier who has a 75 or below in a particular class must attend tutorials every Tuesday and Thursday for that class until the grade is brought above 75.
2. If a Cavalier has below a 75 in more than 1 class they must split the Tuesday and Thursday tutorial between classes that need attention.
3. Cavaliers must maintain the log attached, as it will be considered a major grade for the Cavalier class.
4. Those Cavaliers whose grades are above 75 in each class must spend this tutorial time doing homework! Again, this is to help you manage your time better. The more homework you get done at school the less you have to do after practice. You will not have to maintain a log if your grade is above 75 but must pay attention to all your grades. As soon as you fall below a 75 you too are required to maintain a log.
5. All Cavaliers must stay on top of your grades. This way you will not be 'surprised' with the grade you have earned.
6. It is the Cavaliers responsibility to know their grade and know which classes they must attend. **YOU MUST BE ACCOUNTABLE!!!**
7. Lastly, I will stay in contact with teachers whose classes are being failed by Cavaliers. I will know if you are not doing what is asked of you.

Please understand that my passion behind this is purely for the Cavalier's success. It is my hope that each girl will maintain a great academic record so that when graduation comes they are able to choose their own path.

Thank you for your support as parents as we strive to make these girls the best that they can be in all facets!!! !!

Thank you,
Marka Wood
Cavalier Director

Cavalier Tutorial Agreement

I _____ (Cavalier name), have read and understand what is expected of me during tutorials every Tuesday and Thursday. I understand the importance of my academics and the accountability I must show to maintain an excellent academic record. I know that this is my responsibility and the work that I put in will reflect the grades that I get.

_____ Cavalier Signature _____ Date

_____ Parent Signature _____ Date

Cavalier Letterjackets

Letter Jacket Requirements

Awards will be presented to drill team students for participation and service.

- Two Full Football Seasons Participation. Attendance at all football games for two years.

The Letter Jacket may be ordered during the second year of participation after football season is completed.

The details will become available from the director since there are changes from year to year. (Example: the supplier may not be the same every year).