



# **All-Girl Cheerleading Application**

The All-Girl cheer team promotes SAGU Spirit by performing at all home football games, volleyball games, and all home basketball games, as well as select away football games. They are also given the opportunity to travel to big tournaments. The All-Girl Cheerleaders are not a competitive team, however they do perform at special events throughout the year, including homecoming, Midnight Madness, University pep rallies, and community appearances.

**Practices:**

The All-Girl Cheerleaders typically practice twice a week in the evenings.

**Workouts:**

To help ensure that our cheerleaders remain healthy mentally/physically as well as help prevent injuries, our squad lifts weights and works out twice a week in the Garrison Wellness Center.

**Auditions:**

Auditions are typically held in mid-March each year during our school wide Campus Days. All interested applicants will be required to attend this event prior to auditioning for next season's team.

Cheerleading and mascot tryouts for the 2015-2016 academic year have been scheduled for **March 27, 2015** on the SAGU campus in the Claxton gymnasium. For more information on tryouts, please contact Beverly Robinson, [brobinson@sagu.edu](mailto:brobinson@sagu.edu).

All current and prospective SAGU students trying out for cheerleading are required to attend the tryouts on Friday evening. All those auditioning for the squad must present a completed Cheer application to Beverly Robinson, Advisor.

**Basic Requirements:**

- Application, Forms, a recent head shot photo and Fees
- Tumbling: HIGHLY suggested/optional tumbling pass
- Stunts: Must be able to excel in two different positions (back spot, flier, main base, side base)
- SAGU Fight Song/ 8 count (taught prior to auditions)
- SAGU Chant (taught prior to auditions)
- PREFER prior cheerleading and/or dance experience

**Purpose:**

As a cheerleader for Southwestern Assemblies of God University, your main goal is to be a leader of high Christian and moral standards. Our purpose is to encourage school spirit, to promote our teams both on and off the field/court, to develop positive crowd involvement and excitement, and to create a cooperative, loyal spirit within the student body, as well as with alumni, fans, faculty, and staff.

**Eligibility:**

Spring tryouts are open to females who have been accepted to Southwestern Assemblies of God University. All participants, including transfer students and current team members, must have a minimum of 2.0 grade point average and have graduated from high school. *For additional information, see the Academic Eligibility Release Form.*

It is important that you read and fully understand the enclosed information. Please give serious thought to the level of commitment you are willing to make if you are chosen to be a part of this program. Pay special attention to the forms at the end of the packet and be sure to have them filled out COMPLETELY, including parent/guardian signature (if under 18 years of age), and have them ready to turn in before tryouts begin.

**NOTICE, PROOF OF A DOCTOR'S PHYSICAL IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO PARTICIPATION IN THE TRYOUT CLINIC.**

*If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call:*

Beverly Robinson, Cheerleading Advisor, 972.825.4798

Thank you for your interest and GOOD LUCK!

**Details:**

**Time Commitment** (all practices are MANDATORY)

1. Summer

- ★ Physicals must be completed prior to cheerleading tryout.
- ★ Report to campus during Athlete Check- In.
- ★ Cheer Camp: Waxahachie, TX

2. School Year **practices and games** are *MANDATORY*. You must schedule your classes and work schedules around practices and games.

### 3. Special Events/Appearances

- ★ You may be required to attend events sponsored by the athletic department. These appearances are *MANDATORY*; failure to attend will result in an unexcused absence.
- ★ When we are preparing for special events, there may be additional practices, including two-a-days during University breaks.
- ★ Keep in mind that our activities do not always stop during the Holiday season. We will give you as much off as possible during these times.

**Expenses** (Team members are able to keep whatever they are required to purchase.)

- ★ Most expenses are covered through the cheerleading budget and fund raisers.
- ★ In the event that you do not choose to honor your commitment and finish the season or you are dismissed from the program, you will be required to return ALL items checked out and/or given to you by the program. Failure to do so will result in your transcript being held until payment and/or the items are returned. Any monies raised will remain in the cheerleading fund.

### **Scholarships**

- ★ A limited number of scholarships are available and are awarded at the discretion of the advisor and athletic director.

### **Selections:**

The selection of the squad will be based on the following:

- ★ Completed cheerleader application
- ★ Response on “Why I want to be a SAGU cheerleader”
- ★ Letter of Recommendation from a previous coach or teacher
- ★ Letter of Recommendation from a Minister
- ★ Coaches Interview
- ★ Tryout

## **Fight Song**

Onward, upward, great Southwestern,  
Forward we will go.  
Victory now for dear Southwestern  
The purple and the gold.  
We'll stand behind you  
Always cheer you,  
May you ever stand.  
So come on...Let's cheer  
Victory is near.  
Yea, Southwestern, the best of all.  
Yea, Southwestern, the best of all.

## **Alma Mater**

Dear Ol' Southwestern,  
I'll remember you.  
I'll always cherish those days  
I spent with you.  
God's presence there did I behold,  
And gave my life anew  
In service, 'til He calls us home  
To stand united 'round the Throne.  
*Author: E. Leslie Stubbs*

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_

Dorm & Room #: \_\_\_\_\_ Room Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_

SAGU Suite #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Year in College: Freshman   Sophomore   Junior   Senior

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Mandatory-**

Twitter: \_\_\_\_\_

Facebook: \_\_\_\_\_

Instagram: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Church: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Church Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently employed? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be working while in school? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_

*(Cheerleader Application, Part 2)*

1. Describe yourself, your interests, and calling on your life. (attach additional page if necessary):

2. Please list your cheerleading experience including, but not limited to stunting position and tumbling skills:

3. Please list any ministry, and/or community and volunteer service activities you have been involved with:

4. Are you willing to attend the home sporting events of football, basketball (both men & women), volleyball, soccer (both men & women), and baseball?

**Please include a response on “Why I want to be a SAGU Cheerleader.”**