



Big Bend Pop Warner, Inc.

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CHEERLEADING

Is an exciting, fun, challenging, and energetic sport. Girls will learn teamwork, discipline, perseverance, coordination, and cheers while building self-confidence and winning attitudes. They will promote team spirit by working together making cheer buckets, banners, noise makers, and other fun projects. In developing these traits, our children will not only be successful in cheerleading but, successful in life. BBPW program gives every girl who desires to be a cheerleader the ability/chance to participate in the sport of cheering. Most of all BBPW wants every girl who participates, to have a good learning experience in the sport of cheering along with developing their character and making new friends.

Coaching young people is an exciting way to be involved in sports but it isn't easy! Some coaches are overwhelmed by the responsibilities involved in helping athletes through their early sport experiences. That is not surprising, because coaching cheerleaders requires more than bringing the pom poms and any other equipment to the field and just letting them cheer. It involves preparing them physically and mentally, teaching proper techniques, teamwork, to compete effectively, fairly, and safely in their sport and providing them a positive role model.

Many coaches are parents, but the two roles should not be confused. As a parent, you are responsible only to yourself and your child, as a coach, you are responsible to the organization, all the cheerleaders on the squad (including your child, and the parents). A coach assumes the responsibility of doing everything possible to ensure that the cheerleader on her squad will have an enjoyable and safe experience while they learn proper technique and cheerleading skills. If you are ever in doubt about your approach, remind yourself that FUN, FUNDAMENTALS AND SAFETY is most important. Cheerleading should be fun. Even if nothing else is accomplished, make certain your cheerleaders have fun! Take the fun out of cheerleading and you will take the kids out of cheerleading.

For the Big Bend Pop Warner Association, cheerleading should mean to have fun, be competitive by learning cheerleading technique, work as a team, learn about football and how to cheer the game, how to hold up your head in a loss, and be honorable in victory. Before any person will be allowed contact with our children, they must first fill out the appropriate paperwork. Only approved coaches or cheer helpers will be allowed to coach or assist with our cheerleaders. The only exception to this statement will be league and game officials.





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Cheerleading Coach Application

Name: (First, MI, Last) _____ Gender: Male Female (circle)

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Work Phone: (_____) _____

Email Address: _____ Drivers License Number: _____ State: _____

Division Interested in Coaching: _____

(Tiny Mite, Mighty Mite, Junior Peewee, Peewee, Junior Midget, or Midget)

Desired Coaching Position: HEAD COACH ASST.COACH CHEER HELPER _____

If you check one position, which, is the only position you will be considered for. If you are willing to be either Head Coach or Assistant Coach then check both. All coaches must be voted on and approved by the Board annually. All applications will be retained by BBPW, and held for the season, but are CONFIDENTIAL. All decisions by the Board are final. ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.

Coaching Experience: (please detail your coaching experience) _____

References: (please list name and phone number of 3 references)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

I certify that the above information is correct and that I have received read and agree to abide by the Coach Code of Conduct.

Applicant Signature

Date



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Background Investigation Release Form

I, _____, give Big Bend Pop Warner, Inc. permission to conduct any and all background investigations necessary for my participation in coaching a youth tackle football team. I understand that failure to comply may result in the rejection of my application.

SIGNATURE

DATE

PRINTED name of the person signing above





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Coaching Criterion

- Is in a good standing with the Pop Warner Association and Big Bend Pop Warner;
- Must adhere to the Bylaws of Big Bend Pop Warner Association and all rules and Bylaws of Big Bend Pop Warner and Pop Warner Little Scholars. Big Bend Pop Warner Association reserves the right to remove any volunteer who does not adhere to these standards;
- Must pass background screening;
- Must have some experience with working with youth;
- Is dedicated to the total development of his or her participants;
- Creates an environment conducive to learning and having fun;
- Must complete and submit all requested documentation.





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Cheer Coach Questionnaire

Questions for Prospective Cheer Coaches for Big Bend Pop Warner Association

- 1) Why do you want to be a cheer coach?
- 2) Please provide details that demonstrate your knowledge of coaching cheer and/or dance and success you have had in the past.
- 3) What techniques and philosophies do you use when attempting to motivate the cheerleaders, parents and other coaches? How would you adapt if you find these techniques are ineffective?
- 4) What methods will you use to teach sportsmanship, teamwork and discipline?
- 5) What administrative skills do you have that demonstrate your ability to develop and maintain a practice plan, assemble and manage staff, communicate, problem solving and time management?
- 6) What would you consider your strengths and weaknesses as they pertain to coaching?
- 7) What will you do to ensure clear & proper communication with your parents?
- 8) What are your goals as they pertain to your squad?
- 9) What would you consider a successful season?
- 10) Develop a practice plan based on 2 hours of practice. Include a timeline for warm-up, cool-down, rest and recovery for cheerleaders.