



2022 TRYOUT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What will 2022 Ravens Cheerleader Tryouts look like?

2022 tryouts will be similar to last season, with a virtual video submission for the first round, and an interview round before the final round in-person. While all plans are subject to change, the current plan is the following structure:

- *Round 1 – Application and Video Submission **due by March 4th at 5pm EST***
 - Once Round 1 of tryouts has opened, anyone on the interest form will be notified.
 - Applicants will be asked to fill out an online form, which will include the following:
 - Updated resume
 - Headshot photo
 - Full body photo in swimwear or two-piece athletic wear
 - Tryout video submission- information will be released on video specs when Round 1 is open
- *Round 2 – Zoom Interviews*
 - Applicants who advance from Round 1 of tryouts will take part in a virtual interview via Zoom with the Cheerleader coaching staff and members of the Ravens front office.
- *Round 3 – Final Tryout*
 - Ideally the coaches would like to host an in-person final tryout once deemed safe to do so. Protocols will be in place to ensure the safety of all participants throughout the final in-person tryout.

What are the minimum qualifications to tryout?

You must be 18 by March 4, 2022 to tryout. You must also have a high school diploma or GED.

What can I do to prepare for tryouts?

Follow the squad on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) to see the current team, and their look and style.

Focus on making sure you are physically fit and develop your dance technique and stunt skills leading up to tryouts.

Prepare your paperwork and tryout materials so you are ready to submit when the first round opens – this includes headshot and full body shot photos, and an updated resume.

Will there be a 2022 Prep Clinic?

No, we will not host a Prep Clinic before 2022 tryouts.

What should I wear for my tryout video?

Females: You can wear a two-piece dance outfit, or a sports bra or crop top with short biker shorts. Please wear dance or jazz shoes or sneakers. You may also wear skin colored panty hose or dance tights if preferred. Hair and makeup should complement your features, and hair should be worn down.



The Ravens use and recommend The Lineup for dance costumes. You can access their choices by visiting www.thelineup.com. We also have a coupon for both The Lineup and Palm Beach Tan for tryout use on our tryout website [here](#).

Males: Wear a plain white t-shirt and black shorts. You must be clean shaven and have a clean haircut.

Will the tryout dance material be taught, or will I have to choreograph a few 8 counts?

We will release a recording of the 2022 tryout dance when the first round of auditions is live. You will have two weeks to submit your video from when the dance is available.

What will the judges focus on and look for during tryouts?

Dance Technique

Performance

Showmanship & Personality

Dance Skills

Jump Skills

Tumbling Skills (stunt team only)

Stunting Skills (stunt team only)

2022 GENERAL CHEERLEADER FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are some of the benefits of being a Ravens Cheerleader?

Members of the Ravens Cheerleading Squad have several opportunities, including but not limited to:

- The ability to perform in front of 70,000 fans during Ravens home games
- Exposure through media, high profile events, and community relations events
- Monetary compensation for all practices and games, as well as additional opportunities to generate compensation for public events and appearances
- Opportunity for travel to represent the Baltimore Ravens on military tours, the NFL Pro Bowl, and other events outside of Baltimore
- Uniforms and apparel are provided for all squad members
- Join the Cheerleader Alumni network and participate in Alumni events

Who comprises the Ravens Cheerleading Squad?

The Ravens Cheer squad is comprised of approximately 55 total cheerleaders, with roughly 37 on the co-ed stunt team and 18 on the dance team.

What style of dance do the Ravens Cheerleaders perform?



Performances are mostly precision-based Cheer & Dance style routines, but Jazz and Pom styles are also incorporated. Different levels of dance skills, jumps and tumblers are also incorporated.

What is the time commitment if you make the team?

Being a member of the Ravens Cheerleading squad is a significant time commitment but is an experience you will never forget. You can expect the following as a Ravens Cheerleader:

- Attending and performing at home games for the season. Cheerleaders arrive at the stadium approximately 5 hours before kickoff for each game.
- Practices are 1-2 times a week, depending on the time of year. Practices are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 – 9 pm. Practice locations vary.
- Each Ravens Cheerleader should plan to attend approximately 20 appearances each season. There are a few mandatory appearances each year that the full squad is required to attend.

Is there an age limit to try out for the squad?

To try out, you must be 18 by March 4, 2022. There is no maximum age limit.

Are Ravens Cheerleaders paid?

Yes, cheerleaders are paid for practices, games and appearances.

Who are the Ravens Playmakers? How are they different from the Cheerleaders?

The Playmakers are the Ravens' promotional team. They appear at restaurants and establishments throughout Maryland and attend all Ravens home games. They are different than Cheerleaders as they do not perform at home games. You can find out more about the Ravens Playmakers [here](#).