

# The logo features the word "TEXANS" in a small, red, sans-serif font at the top. Below it, "Cheerleaders" is written in a red, cursive script. The word "Tryouts" is written in a large, dark blue, cursive script below "Cheerleaders".

## 2024 HTC Tryouts FAQs

### **HTC Eligibility Requirements:**

Must be 18 years of age or older by Thursday, March 14, 2024 (no exceptions); there is no maximum age

Must have a high school diploma or G.E.D (or will have by May 2024)

No height or weight requirements, but you must be in an athletic physical condition

### **Timeline:**

**Tuesday, January 9:** 2024 HTC Tryouts Application period opens

**Thursday, March 14:** Application Closes at 11:59 p.m. CT.

**Friday, March 15 – Saturday, March 16:** Virtual Round #1

**Sunday, March 17:** Virtual Round #2

**Saturday, March 23:** In-person Round #3

**Sunday, March 24:** In-person Finalists Interviews

**Tuesday, March 26 – Friday, March 29:** Finals

**April 2024:** Team Announcement

### **When are Finals?**

All Finalists requirements will be held from Sunday, March 24 – Friday, March 29.

### **When is the team announcement?**

April 2024

***Please Note: There will be additional mandatory dates for team meetings if you make the team (no exceptions). More details will be available after HTC Tryouts.***

### **Audition Attire:**

Wear dance-friendly shoes (tennis shoes recommended)

Female - Midriff top and dance shorts

Male - Joggers or leggings with tank top or fitted T-shirt preferred

Hair and makeup must be performance ready (no ponytails or dangly jewelry)

### **Required Items:**

Completed 2024 HTC Tryouts Application, including 2024 HTC Tryouts Agreement

One current photo, any size. Headshots or full body photos are allowed

Resume that includes all of your athletic and business background

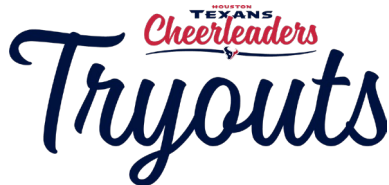
### **Video Requirements:**

Video must contain **instructed choreography only** for the round you are auditioning for

Video must be shot **horizontally**

Video must show a **clear view of your full body (head to toe view)**

Video may **not be edited or spliced during your performance and choreography should be filmed in one take**



## **What Your Video Should Look Like:**

### Lighting

- Make sure your video has enough lighting. Unfortunately, we are unable to see your incredible moves in the dark.

### Sound

- Decide the best way to play your music. If you will have music playing in the background, ensure the volume is turned up enough for the judges to hear when watching your video submission. Make sure your video is in-sync with the music.

### Location

- We suggest filming your Tryout video in a spacious area that will allow a lot of movement. You do not want to be out of the shot of the camera at any time during filming.
- This is your moment! Use a private location free from distraction by eliminating any items or individuals from the general background that would take the main focus off of you.

### Camera

- Ensure there is no blur! Make sure the device you are filming your video on will upload with hi-quality.
- Ensure your filming device is propped in a way that is most level with you. This can be achieved by placing it on a chair, bookshelf, etc. Do not place the filming device on the floor. This will produce an upshot.

### Practice

- We strongly recommend running a few dress rehearsals for yourself. Dress up in your chosen audition gear, be hair and makeup ready and record as if you were trying out directly in front of the judges.
- Filming your practice will give you a better understanding of appropriate light, spacing, music and on-camera appearance.

### Action

- Before filming, check your makeup and/or attire to make sure you are HTC-camera ready.
- Show your personality, add your own unique flare and smile. This is your time to shine!

## **How do I submit my videos to Dropbox?**

You will receive the Dropbox submission link in the same email we send with Round 1 and Round 2 choreography. Please enter your full name and email address when uploading your video file to Dropbox. **Please do not publish your Tryout video in a public forum (e.g., a public YouTube page, on your social media accounts, etc.).**

## **What kind of photo should I submit?**

Your photo must be a single, high quality current photo. Show us your personality! Anything from business casual to your audition outfit is acceptable. Cannot be larger than 12.5 MB.

## **Will my recording be used by the Houston Texans?**

The Houston Texans will have the rights to the video and may use the video in any way we consider appropriate.

## **Is this a full-time position?**

No, this is a part-time position and the number of hours worked will vary during the season and off-season.

## **What will the judges be looking for?**

Poise, Personality, Dance Ability, Showmanship, Appearance, Work Ethic

## **Do current team members have to re-audition?**

Yes, all members must go through the audition process each season and are not guaranteed a place on the team.

## **What can I do to prepare for auditions?**

Dance! Attend dance classes to practice your skills and sign up for our HTC Prep Classes [here](#).

Work on stretching, kicks, turns and choreography.

You need to be able to pick up choreography fairly quickly and feel comfortable performing for the judges.