

ST. Margaret Mary Spartans

2017-2018 Cheerleading



We are very excited to begin a new year of cheerleading at St. Margaret Mary School. This season will be our 9th season with this cheerleading program. Registration is open to girls that are currently in grades 4-7.

We are doing registration a little different this year. In the past we held a cheer clinic to learn a cheer, chants, and jumps that would be performed at try outs. The try outs were always more for the experience of demonstrating how the girls learned the material and to get a sense of the skill level. It also helps to prepare the girls for how to participate in try outs at the high school level. At this level we do not have cuts, all girls are welcome to join the team. The only thing that would impact participation on the cheer team would be negative behavior either during cheerleading or in school. This year due to time constraints we are not going to be having our cheer clinic or try outs. Any girl who registers will be on the team. Unfortunately I just couldn't seem to work out dates for the clinic and tryouts that didn't conflict with the musical, track, the spring concert, practices for these events, or my own children's schedules. There would be availability in the gym now, but I didn't want to hold the clinics during this time when the older girls are going to be preparing for finals. I see what it is like with my own girls.

This year I am hoping to order uniform accessories in August so that we are ready to go. Your email will be added to the cheerleading email list. Please watch for emails from stmmcheerleading about uniform ordering.

Cheerleading practice will begin in September, the week of September 4th. This past year we had practice on Tuesdays after school. I am planning to keep that same time this year. It seems to work out better having practice right after school so that it doesn't interfere with homework. There may be practices added occasionally at different times if needed, those would be announced via email. This past year we had some issues with practice and game attendance. While I do understand that there are times that cheerleading practice will conflict with other activities, I do ask that the girls make an effort to be at practice as much as possible. Other school activities allow students with multiple activities at the same time to split the time between the practices. This year I am going to ask that the cheerleaders split the time if there is another school practice rather than missing the whole cheer practice. We have a lot of material to learn during our practices and we only have practice once a week. I do ask that if any cheerleader is going to be absent from practice or a game that you notify me via email or text.

Cheerleading news is always communicated via email. I post practices and game times on this email. I usually update about once a week during the season. Please watch for emails for cheerleading information.

The coaching staff includes myself and former St. Margaret Mary cheerleaders Kyla Sullivan and Kara Sullivan. Kyla is a cheerleader at Bishop McDevitt and Kara is a member of the colorguard team. They both have a lot of exciting ideas for next season. We also get the advantage of learning some of the Bishop McDevitt material that the girls will know if they plan to cheer at Bishop McDevitt some day.

Please return the attached registration form and registration fee by Friday, June 2nd. We are looking forward to another exciting season of Spartan Cheerleading!

Go Spartans!

Kathy Sullivan

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**Saint Margaret Mary Cheerleading Registration
2017-2018 Cheerleading Season**

Parent Information:

Mother/Guardian Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone Numbers: Home: _____

Cell: _____

Work: _____

Email address(es): _____

Father/Guardian Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone Numbers: Home: _____

Cell: _____

Work: _____

Email address(es): _____

Emergency Contact Person:

Name: _____

Contact phone number(s): _____

Registration fee of \$ 30.00– 1st child/additional children - \$15.00

Cheerleader Name	Current Grade	Fee

**Please return the registration form by Friday, June 2nd.
Payment may be made now or after try outs.
Make checks payable to:
St. Margaret Mary Cheerleading
Please write Cheerleading in the memo**