



***Westside Christian is looking for our next Varsity Cheer Head Coach!***

At Westside, our mission is to inspire godly transformation and Christ-like character through exceptional education and intentional discipleship to impact the world for Christ. We do this by offering each student-athlete an exceptional learning environment, creating an engaging athletic experience, providing intentional discipleship, and encouraging community involvement.

The Varsity Cheer Head Coach works directly with the school Athletic Director, the cheerleaders, and the cheerleaders' families. The season spans the OSAA Fall and Winter seasons (mid-August through early March). The team has traditionally participated in sideline cheer for varsity basketball (boys and girls) and occasionally varsity soccer (boys and girls). The team also competes in local and state competitions in the 1A/2A/3A/4A Game Day Division.

The Cheer Head Coach will oversee all aspects of the program. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Conduct tryouts to select team members for the competition and sideline team(s)
- Coordinate and attend all practices, games, and events, including summer camp and basketball State Championships (if applicable)
- Develop and implement practice plans that instruct athletes in fundamental skills necessary for individual and team success (including stunting, cheerleading, dance, and competition skills)
- Develop Game Day competition choreography, either personally or through a hired professional
- Train athletes to engage and uplift the crowd as sideline cheerleaders
- Develop, market, and execute fundraising efforts, such as Youth Cheer Camp (summer), car wash, and Youth Cheer Clinic (winter)
- Partner with Student Council (STUCO) and administration on plans for pep rallies/ assemblies, Back-to-School events, etc., providing cheer team support and involvement where possible
- Coordinate Media Day for team and individual photos
- Coordinate (or engage parent volunteers to coordinate) team-building/bonding activities, such as team dinners, Christmas party, and "Dutch Debriefs"
- Plan and lead post-season awards night
- Maintain [Cheer Handbook](#) in accordance with program values, plans, policies, and procedures
- Work alongside uniform rep to order necessary items prior to start of the season
- Maintain inventory of required equipment and supplies
- Ensure athletes meet academic eligibility requirements

- Maintain cheerleading budget through accurate and timely tracking of expenses and fundraising income
- Provide clear and regular communication with athletes and their parents/families
- Provide direction for Assistant Cheer Coach
- Ensure the safety and well-being of athletes
- Foster teamwork, sportsmanship, and character development
- Promote discipleship and excellence in every aspect of the program

Qualified applicants for this position must:

- Be in agreement with the WCHS [Statement of Faith](#)
- Have experience with high school and/or college cheer, ideally in both sideline and competition sectors
- Have excellent communication skills
- Be willing to work cooperatively with the Athletic Director, administrators, staff, parents, and students
- Pass a criminal background check
- Complete all [cheerleading coaching certifications and memberships](#) before the season begins, including: OSAA Beyond the Scoreboard, OSAA Spirit Safety, Concussion Recognition and Management, Appearance and Performance Enhancing Drugs and Substances, Heat Illness Prevention, Interrupting and Preventing Discriminatory Acts Training, USA Cheer Safety and Risk Management, USA Membership, OCCA Membership and CPR/First Aid certification

**To apply, email the WCHS Athletic Director, David Henry at [henry@wchsonline.org](mailto:henry@wchsonline.org).**